

## **EPP Conference**

### **The Dialogue on Modernisation with Belarusian Society - A functioning new instrument?**

**Tuesday, 9 April 2013 (14:30 - 18:00)**  
**European Parliament, room A3E-2**

#### **PROGRAMME**

- 14:30** Introduction by **Filip Kaczmarek**, Chair of the Delegation for relations with Belarus at the European Parliament
- 14:35** Introductory statement by **Gunnar Wiegand**, Director for Russia, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia, Regional Cooperation and OSCE, European External Action Service

#### **Panel I**

**14:45- 16:10**

#### **Dialogue on Modernisation with Belarusian Society - impact assessment and critical analysis a year after its inception**

**Chair by Elmar Brok**, Chair of the Committee of Foreign Affairs

- 14:50** **Radosław Sikorski**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland (tbc)
- 15:00** **Aliaksandr Milinkevich**, Sakharov Prize Winner
- 15:10** **Jacek Protasiewicz**, Vice- President of the European Parliament
- 15:20** **Antje Leendertse**, Ambassador, Special Envoy for Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, Federal Foreign Office of Germany
- 15:30** **Andrei Yahorau**, Coordinator of the DoM's Working Group on Political Dialogue and Political Reforms, Director of the Center for European Transformation
- 15:40** **Gunnar Wiegand**, Director for Russia, Eastern Partnership, Central Asia, Regional Cooperation and OSCE, European External Action Service
- 15:50** **Debate** in the presence of representatives of the opposition and civil society

**Panel II**  
**16:15-17:50**

**A future direction for the Dialogue on Modernisation with Belarusian Society - what needs to be done in coming years?**

**Chair by José Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Member of the European Parliament**

- 16:20 Aliaksandr Autushka-Sikorski**, Coordinator of the DoM's Working Group  
Economic, Social and Sector Policy Issues
- 16:30 Valiantsin Stefanovich**, Vice-President of Viasna Human Rights Centre
- 16:40 Laima Andrikienė**, Member of the Delegation for relations with Belarus
- 16:50 Olga Stuzhinskaya**, Director of the Office for a Democratic Belarus
- 17:00 Franciszak Wiaczorka**, Belarusian opposition leader
- 17:10 Anatol Liabedzka**, Belarusian opposition leader
- 17:20 Alexei Yanukevich**, Belarusian opposition leader
- 17:30 Debate** in the presence of representatives of the opposition and civil society
- 17:50 Conclusions: Filip Kaczmarek**