European and External Affairs Committee

Agenda EUR(2) 07-05

Meeting date: 22 September 2005

Meeting time: 9.00 to 12.30

Meeting venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Item 1: Introduction, apologies, substitutions and Declaration of Interests (9.00 - 9.05)

Item 2: Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising (9.05 - 09.15)

Paper:	EUR(2) 06-05 e-min Minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2005 EUR(2) 07-05 Action Outstanding
Purpose:	To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2005 and consider matters arising

Item 3: First Minister's Report (9.15 - 10.00)

Paper:	EUR(2) 07-05 (p.1) – First Minister's Report
Purpose:	To inform the Committee about developments since its last meeting
In attendance:	Gary Davies, European and External Affairs Division

Item 4: European Union Presidency Briefing (10.00 - 10.45)

Paper:	EUR(2) 07-05 (p.2) - EU Presidency Briefing
Purpose:	To brief the Committee on presidency issues

In attendance:	David Frost, Director (EU)- Internal, Foreign and Commonwealth Office
	Edward Mason - Stakeholder Manager, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Break 10.45 - 11.00

Item 5: North East Wales Institute - Partnerships Abroad (11.00 - 11.45)

Paper:	EUR(2) 07-05 (p.3) - North East Wales Institute (NEWI)
Purpose:	To inform the Committee of the external partnerships being developed by the North East Wales Institute
In attendance:	Professor Michael Scott, Principal, North East Wales Institute Andrew Parry - Head of Corporate Communications, North East Wales Institute

Item 6: Draft Regional Aid Guidelines (11.45 – 12.15)

Paper:	EUR(2) 07-05 (p.4) - Draft Regional Aid Guidelines
Purpose:	To consider issues arising from the recently published draft regional aid guidelines
In attendance:	Rob Halford, Economic Policy Division

Item 7: Update from Members of the Committee of the Regions (12.15 - 12.30)

Purpose:	To consider the report from the Committee of the Regions and any emerging
	issues