

# European and External Affairs Committee

## Agenda EUR2 04-05

Meeting date: 12 May 2005

Meeting time: 9.00 to 12.30

Meeting venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

### Item 1: Introduction, apologies and substitutions (9.00 to 9.05)

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

Paper:	EUR2 03-05 e-min Minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2005 EUR2 04-05 Action Outstanding
Purpose:	To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2005 and consider matters arising

### Item 3: First Ministers Report (9.15 – 9.45)

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p1) – 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: EU Presidency (9.45 – 10.25)

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p2) – Report on the UK Presidency of the European Council 2005
Purpose:	To provide the Committee with an update on the UK presidency
In attendance:	

### Item 5: Update on 'Early Warning System' (10.25 - 10.35)

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p3) - Update on the Early Warning System
Purpose:	To consider the possible procedures in relation to the Early Warning Subsidiarity System

## **Break 10.35 - 10.50**

### **Item 6: European Research Funding (10.50 – 11.30)**

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p4) - European Research Funding
Purpose:	To inform the Committee about the work of the Research and Commercial Division of Cardiff University
In attendance:	Nick Bodycombe - European Officer, Research and Commercial Division of Cardiff University

### **Item 7: WLGA Silesian Party (11.30 – 12.10)**

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p5) – Local government activity between Wales and Silesia
Purpose:	To meet representatives of the Silesian Municipalities visit to Wales and to discuss their visit
In attendance:	Phillip Bird - European and External Affairs Division  Andrzej Stania, President, City Hall Ruda Slaska  Lowri Gwilym - WLGA

### **Item 8: EU Annual Policy Statement for 2006 (12.10 - 12.20)**

Paper:	EUR2 04-05 (p6) – Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and Council - Annual Policy Statement for 2006
Purpose:	To update the Committee on the Commission's proposed political priorities and key initiatives for 2006
In attendance:	Andy Klom - Head of the European Commission Office in Wales

**Item 9: Update from Members of the Committee of the Regions (12.20- 12.30)**

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