

European Consumer Day
"Consumption without borders"

Friday 18 March 2011
Faculty of Commerce, Catering and Tourism
9-11 Alkotmany Street
1054 Budapest

DRAFT PROGRAMME

- 8.30 – 9.00 **Registration**
- 9.00 - 10.30 **Opening ceremony**
Welcome address by Dr László Szöllősi, Deputy State Secretary,
Ministry for National Economy
- Addresses by:
- **Mr Staffan Nilsson**, President of the EESC
 - **Mrs Pareskevi Michou**, Director, DG JUST, European Commission introducing a recorded message of **Mrs Viviane Reding**, Vice-President of the European Commission
 - **Mrs Jacqueline Minor**, Director, DG SANCO, European Commission introducing a recorded message addressed by **Mr John Dalli**, Member of the European Commission
 - **Mr János Tóth**, Co-president of the Hungarian Economic and Social Council, and delegate to the EESC, CCMI
- 10.30 - 10.45 **Coffee break**
- 10.45 - 11.30 **"Consumption without Borders"**
- Interventions from:
- Mrs Pareskevi Michou**, Director, DG JUST, European Commission
Mrs Jacqueline Minor, Director, DG SANCO, European Commission
Mrs Reine-Claude Mader, Member of the EESC and spokesperson of the Consumers and Environment Category.
- 11.30 - 12.00 **Workshop 1 - Consumer contracts in the framework of Common Framework of Reference**
- Moderator: **Mr Ivan Voleš**, CESE
Rapporteur: **Mr Jorge Pegado Liz**, CESE
- Participants:
- **Prof. Dr. Hans Schulte-Nölke**, European Legal Studies Institute, Osnabrück, Germany
 - **Mrs Pareskevi Michou**, Director – "Civil Justice", DG Justice, European Commission
 - **Mrs Fatma Sahin**, Adviser on Internal market & Consumer Affairs, EuroCommerce
 - **Mrs Ursula Pachi**, Deputy Director General, BEUC
 - **Mr Luc Hendrickx**, Director Enterprise Policy and external Relations, UEAPME
- 12.00 - 13.00 **Discussion**

13.00 - 14.30 **Lunch break**

14.30 - 15.15 **Workshop 2 – Consumer rights in the digital environment**

Moderator: **Mrs Benedicte Federspiel**, EESC

Rapporteur: **Group II**, EESC

Participants:

- **Mrs Cornelia Kutterer**, Senior Manager Regulatory Policy, Microsoft
- **Dr Gábor Csiszér**, Hungarian Ministry of National Development
- **Mr Jérôme Chauvin**, Director, Legal Affairs Department, Internal Market Department, BUSINESSEUROPE
- **Mr György Morvay**, President, National Association for Consumer Protection in Hungary

15.15 - 15.30 **Coffee break**

15.30 - 16.30 **Discussion**

16.30 – 17.00 **Closing session**

Main points and conclusions by rapporteurs

Conclusions by **Mr Bryan Cassidy**, President of the Section for the Single Market, Production and Consumption, EESC.
