



EU-Iceland Joint Parliamentary Committee

1st meeting

Althingi, Reykjavík, Iceland, 5 October 2010

AGENDA

Opening of the 1st meeting of the EU-Iceland
Joint Parliamentary Committee by **Ms Ásta R. Jóhannesdóttir**, Speaker of Althingi, and
Mr Pat the Cope Gallagher and **Mr Árni Þór Sigurðsson**
Co-Chairpersons of the Joint Parliamentary Committee

Morning session (10.00- 12.30): chaired by **Mr Árni Þór Sigurðsson**, Chair of the Icelandic Delegation

1. Adoption of the draft agenda
2. Consideration and adoption of the draft Rules of Procedure of the JPC
3. Approval of the report of the 20th meeting of the EU-Iceland IPM
4. Relations between the European Union and Iceland:
 - Addresses by:
 - the Council of the European Union: **H.E. Mr Christian Monnoyer**, Ambassador to Norway and Iceland, representing the Belgian Presidency of the Council,
 - the European Commission: **H.E. Mr Timo Summa**, Head of EU Delegation in Iceland
 - the Icelandic Government: **H.E. Mr Össur Skarphéðinsson**, Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade,
 - a. Application for membership of the EU*
 - b. Political and economic criteria for EU membership*
 - c. Ability to assume the obligations of membership (acquis communautaire)*
- Followed by exchanges of views

Afternoon session (14.00-17.30): chaired by **Mr Pat the Cope Gallagher**, Chair of the EP Delegation

5. Exchange of views on the situation of economic, financial and budgetary situation in Iceland
- Address by **Mr. Már Guðmundsson**, Governor of the Central Bank of Iceland;

First speakers:

- Althingi: **Ms Valgerður Bjarnadóttir**
- EP: **Ms Arlene McCarthy**

6. Fisheries policies - the Icelandic policy and the ongoing reform of the EU Common Fisheries Policy;

First speakers:

- Althingi: **Mr Bjarni Benediktsson**
- EP: **Mr Pat the Cope Gallagher**

7. The Arctic region - Iceland and the EU policies;

First speakers:

- Althingi: **Ms Þórunn Sveinbjarnardóttir**
- EP: **Mr Cristian Dan Preda**

8. Energy policies of Iceland and EU: Focus on renewable energy sources

First speakers:

- Althingi: **Mr Sigmundur Davíð Gunnlaugsson**
- EP: **Mr Petru Constantin Luhan**

9. Consideration and adoption of the Recommendations

10. Any other business

11. Date and place of the 2nd meeting of the EU- Iceland Joint Parliamentary Committee