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ENVIRONMENT Council¹, 12 June 2014

Time:10.00Place:Conference Centre - KIRCHBERG Building, LuxembourgChair(s):Yiannis MANIATIS, Minister of Environment, Energy and Climate Change

The following points will be discussed at this session:

Legislative deliberations

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2001/18/EC as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of GMOs in their territory *(in public session²)*
 - Political agreement

Non-legislative activities

- Communication from the Commission on "A policy framework for climate and energy in the period from 2020 to 2030" (*in public session*²)
 - Policy debate

Legislative deliberations

- Clean air package (in public session²)
 - (a) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants into the air from medium combustion plants
 - (b) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants and amending Directive 2003/35/EC
 - Orientation debate

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¹ The 3320th meeting of the Council of the European Union.

Non-legislative activities

- Draft Council conclusions on "Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)"
 - (a) Preparation of the 12th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 12) to the CBD (Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea, 6 to 17 October 2014)
 - (b) Preparation of the 7th meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (COP-MOP 7) (Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea, 29 September to 3 October 2014)
 - (c) Preparation of the 1st meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (COP-MOP 1) (Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea, 6 to 17 October 2014)
 - Adoption

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Press conference: before lunch (+/- 13.15) and at the end of the Council meeting (+/- 18.00).

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Additionally, the Council is expected to adopt a number of **items without discussion**.

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Public debates/Public deliberations³:

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