

PRESIDENT W. MARTENS WELCOMES NEW EPP MEMBER PARTIES AND COMMISSIONERS

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Following the historic enlargement of the European Union of 1 May 2004, the President of the European People's Party (EPP) Mr. Wilfried Martens takes this opportunity to welcome our associate members from the accession countries as full members of the EPP:

Cyprus:

DISY, Democratic Rally

Czech Republic:

KDU-CSL, Krestanka a demokraticka unie

Estonia:

PPU, Isamaaliit, Pro Patria Union

RP, Res Publica

Hungary:

FIDESZ, Fidesz Magyar Polgári Szövets

MDF, Magyar Demokrata Forum

Latvia:

New Era

People's Party

Lithuania:

LKD, Lietuvos Krikcionys demokratai

TS-LK, Homeland Union

Malta:

PN, Partit Nazzjonalista

Poland:

PO, Platforma Obywatelska

RS, Ruch Spoleczny

SKL-RNP, SKL-Ruch Nowej Polski

Slovakia:

KDH, Krestanskodemocraticke Hnutie Slovenska

MKP, Strana Madarskej koalicie

SDK, Slovak Democratic and Christian Union

Slovenia:

NS, Nova Slovenija -Krcanska ljudska stranka

SDS, Slovenian Democratic Party-Slovenska demokratska stranka

SLS, Slovenian People's Party-Slovenska ljudska Stranka

Moreover, the EPP President will also like to welcome the two new EPP Commissioners from the new EU member states:

Jan Figel (Slovakia) - (twinned with Commissioner on Enterprise and the Information Society)

Joe Borg (Malta) - (twinned with Commissioner on Development and Humanitarian Aid)