

13 March: EPP LEADERS MEET IN BRUSSELS AHEAD OF THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL

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The EPP Heads of State and Government along with the three Presidents of the European Union - **Janez JANSA** of the European Council, **Jose Manuel BARROSO** of the European Commission, and **Hans-Gert POETTERING** of the European Parliament - will meet on 13 March in Brussels.

EPP Heads of State and Government further include **Angela MERKEL** (Germany), **Jan-Peter BALKENENDE** (The Netherlands), **François FILLON** (France), **Kostas KARAMANLIS** (Greece), **Jean-Claude JUNCKER** (Luxembourg), **Fredrik REINFELDT** (Sweden), **Lawrence GONZI** (Malta), **Donald TUSK** (Poland) and **Traian BASESCU** (Romania), **Mikheil Saakashvili** (Georgia), **Viktor Yushchenko** (Ukraine), **Sali Berisha** (Albania), **Nikola Gruevski** (FYROM) and **Ivo Sanader** (Croatia).

EPP Opposition Leaders and international guests will also participate in the Summit. **Please find the full list of participants [here](#).**

The Summit will be chaired by the President of the EPP, **Wilfried MARTENS**, and attended by the Secretary General of the EPP, **Antonio LOPEZ – ISTURIZ**.

On the agenda will be the preparation of the European Council (13 and 14 March) in Brussels.

EPP Summit

Date: 13 March (from 13:00 hrs to 17:00 hrs)

Venue: Sheraton Brussels Hotel
3, Place Rogier
1210 Brussels (Belgium)

NOTE TO THE PRESS:

- There will be photo and TV opportunities during the meeting. Sound recording is not allowed.
- EPP President, **Wilfried Martens**, will give a press conference at the end of the Summit
- Television vans will not be allowed to park in front of the Sheraton Hotel due to police restrictions. It is possible to park nearby upon previous communication of the registration number and type of vehicle to the EPP press service. E-mail: press@epp.eu.
- For security reasons, please ensure that you bring a valid form of identification: journalists and cameramen will be given access to the venue upon presentation of their accreditation badge, issued by the European Council, or their national press ID card.
- Journalists without one of these documents must contact the EPP Press Officer, Javier Jiménez, (please see below for contact details).

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