

EPP WELCOMES FINAL DECISION ON THE REFORM TREATY OF THE EU

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The President of the EPP, Wilfried Martens, welcomed today the final agreement of the 27 members States of the European Union (EU) on the new reform Treaty.

"This agreement is very positive for many reasons. First of all, the new Treaty contains all the reforms that the EU needs for working more efficiently for the benefit of its citizens and facing important challenges in the economic, security and environmental fields. In addition, the agreement will put an end to the crisis suffered by the EU during the last two years," President Martens underlined.

"It is time to look at the future. The EPP will work very hard for the implementation of the new Treaty in order to see it enter into force before the European elections of 2009", Martens added.

President Martens reminded that *"once again the leaders of the EPP have played a decisive role in the adoption of the new Treaty, in particular **Angela Merkel**, who reached the first agreement last June during the German Presidency of the EU"*.

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