

24 June: EPP HOLDS DEBATE ON ♦ DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE: HOW DO WE COPE WITH THE AGEING SOCIETY? ♦

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The EPP will soon be releasing a position paper on one of its main topics for the 2009 European elections: Demographic change and how to cope with the ageing society. In view of this, the EPP will hold a policy debate on the issue on 24 June.

Speakers at the event include: **Dr. Ursula Lehr**, Institute for Gerontologie, University of Heidelberg, former German Minister for Youth, Family, Women and Health; **Nikolaus Van der Pas**, Director General of the DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities of the European Commission; **Frans Willekens**, Director of the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute; **Marie Panayotopoulos-Cassiotou**, MEP and President of the Intergroup on Family and Protection of Childhood of the European Parliament.

Other participants include **Maria Jepsen**, Director of the Research Department of the European Trade Union Confederation and **Marilies Flemming**, Vice-President of the European Seniors Citizens Union and EPP Rapporteur on Demographic Change in Europe.

EPP President, **Wilfried Martens**, will make the opening remarks and EPP Secretary General, **Antonio López-Istúriz**, will close the meeting.

EPP Policy Debate:

Date & Time: 24 June 2008 from 12:00 to 17:00

Venue: Representation of Baden-Württemberg to the EU

Rue Belliard 60-62, 1040 Brussels

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