



EPP President: Six Pack will lead to a stable economic environment

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The President of the European People's Party (EPP), **Wilfried Martens**, welcomed the adoption of the six legal acts on Strengthening Economic Governance in the EU ("Six Pack") by the European Parliament:

"I welcome the adoption of the Six Pack by the European Parliament. I congratulate the Council and Parliament for reaching an agreement, which essentially contributes to the strengthening of economic governance and the strengthening of fiscal discipline. I also welcome the automatic sanctions in the "preventive arm". This increases the credibility of the rules-based system. We need to respect the rules, so we should be firm on their strict implementation," stated the EPP President.

"I am convinced that the adoption of the Six Pack will lead to a more stable economic environment in Europe. I look forward to its formal adoption by the EcoFin Council on 4 October and its swift implementation thereafter," Martens underlined.

"I also take this opportunity to thank our MEPs **Corien Wortmann-Kool**, Vice President of the EPP and the EPP Group in the EP, and **Jean-Paul Gauzes**, for their instrumental role in reaching today's positive decision in the European Parliament. The participation of Wortmann-Kool and Gauzes in our EPP EcoFin Ministers' Meetings was vital in securing the agreement between Council and Parliament," Martens added.

Note to editors:

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