

Conference of Chairpersons of Human Rights Committees

Filoxenia Conference Centre, Lefkosia (Nicosia)

Cypress Media Centre

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DRAFT PROGRAMME

Monday, 3 December 2012

Venue: Jean Monnet Auditorium (Cypress Media Centre)

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| 09.00 - 09.10 | Welcome address by H.E The President of the House of Representatives, Mr. Yiannakis L. Omirou |
| 09.10 - 09.20 | Welcome address by the Chairman of the House Standing Committee on Human Rights and Equal Opportunities for Men and Women, Mr. Sophoclis Fittis, MP |
| 09.20 - 09.25 | Audiovisual message by the Vice - President of the European Commission, Commissioner on Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship, Mrs. Viviane Reding |
| 09.25 | <i>Session I: The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU</i>
Address by Mrs Kinga Göncz, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament

Debate |
| 11. 00 - 11.20 | Coffee break |
| 11.20 | <i>Session II: The need to reconcile family life and professional activities</i>

Address by the Minister of Labour and Social Insurance, Mrs. Sotiroula Charalambous

Debate |
| 13.00 | End of morning Sessions

Family photo |
| 13.15 | Lunch at "Yiasemi" restaurant |

15.00 ***Session III: Protecting Human Rights in times of crisis - economic crisis or threats to security***

Address by the Assistant Professor in Human Rights Law of the University of Nicosia, Dr. Costas Paraskeva

Debate

17.00 Conclusion of the Conference

Note: All sessions are open to accredited media representatives.

