



Draft programme (as of 17 September)
Interparliamentary Committee Meeting

Committee on Legal Affairs

Policy Department C - Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs

Workshop on an optional instrument for EU contract law

27 October 2010

9h30 - 13h00

Room 6Q2, European Parliament, Brussels

9.30 - 9.40 Opening remarks by Klaus-Heiner Lehne, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs

Panel I: Why an EU contract law? * Moderator (MEP/national MP)

9.40 - 9.50 From the Draft Common Frame of Reference (DCFR) to the current EU contract law debate
Academic

9.50 - 10.20 Overcoming obstacles to cross-border transactions in the internal market
A point of view from:
- Leena Linnainmaa, Director of Legal Affairs at the Central Chamber of Commerce of Finland
- Ziva Drol-Novak, Slovenian Consumers' Organisation, (*tbc*)
- Thomas Klink, Judge, Regional Court of Stuttgart

10.20 - 11.00 Discussion

Panel II: An optional EU contract law instrument * Moderator (MEP/national MP)

11.00 - 11.20 An optional instrument on EU contract law: can it increase legal certainty and foster cross-border trade?
Marc Frilet, Frilet Société d'Avocats

11.20 - 11.30 Scope and content of an optional EU contract law instrument
Academic

11.30 - 11.50 Relation with substantive rules of national law
Monika Jagielska, Judge, Court of Arbitration, Katowice

11.50 - 12.00 Relation with rules of private international law, rules concerning jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement of judgments
Academic

12.00 - 12.30 Discussion

The European Commission's point of view

12.30 Vice-President Viviane Reding, Justice, Fundamental Rights and
Citizenship

12.45 Discussion & closing remarks by Klaus-Heiner Lehne, Chair of the
Committee on Legal Affairs

Lunch hosted by the European Parliament