

MEETING OF THE COMECE SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION

2 June 2017

COMECE Secretariat, Square de Meeûs 19, 1050 Brussels

AGENDA

10.00 Welcome and presentation of the agenda

By H. E. Gianni Ambrosio, Bishop of Piacenza-Bobbio, Vice President of COMECE and President of the COMECE Social Affairs Commission

10.20 Roundtable – is Europe economically up to the challenges of globalisation?

Experiences and observations from the national level on the public perception of EU economic and social policy

11.00 European Pillar of Social Rights – a fresh start for a Europe growing together?

<u>Discussion with Maarten Claeys</u>, Parliamentary Assistant to MEP Tom Vandenkendelaere, (European People's Party), Shadow rapporteur on the resolution on a European Pillar of Social Rights *Q&A*

12.00 Lunch break

13.00 Economic and Monetary Union – which steps are needed for a strong Euro?

<u>Discussion with Kai Wynands</u>, Head of Cabinet of Valdis Dombrovskis, Vice-President for the Euro and Social Dialogue, European Commission *Q&A*

14.00 Solidarity Corps – which role for Church actors?

<u>Presentation by Max Uebe</u>, Head of Unit Employment Strategy, DG EMPL, European Commission *O&A*

14.45 Coffee break

15.00 Follow-up discussion

15.45 Closing