



'EURATOM: 50 YEARS TOO MUCH!'

Conference by the Greens/EFA and the Heinrich Böll Foundation 7 - 8 March 2007 in Brussels,

European Parliament, room ASP A1G2

In the forefront of the 50th anniversary of the EURATOM Treaty on 25 March 2007, and just prior to the European Spring Summit on 8 and 9 March 2007, the Greens-EFA in the European Parliament and the Heinrich-Böll-Foundation will hold a conference on 7 and 8 March 2007 to discuss nuclear issues. Nuclear Safety, Nuclear Proliferation, the Future of the EURATOM Treaty and Green Alternatives will be the main focus.

Wednesday 7 March 2007, Afternoon				
15h00		Opening of the Conference		
		Daniel Cohn-Bendit, Co-President of the Greens-EFA Renate Künast, President of the Green Group in the German Parliament		
1. Part		Nuclear Safety – At the Edge of Disaster		
		What Happened Since Chernobyl?		
15h20	Chairperson	Rebecca Harms , MEP, Vice-President of the Greens-EFA, commissioned the "Residual Risk - Nuclear events since the Chernobyl accident 1986" Project, Germany		
15h30	Introduction	At the Edge of Disaster – 20 years of nuclear near misses Mycle Schneider, International Nuclear Policy Consultant, Co-ordinator of the "Residual Risk - Nuclear events since the Chernobyl accident 1986" Project, France		
15h55	Keynote	Old and new myths on "Cheap and safe nuclear power" Jim Harding, Independent Energy Consultant, former Director of External Affairs, Power Planning and Forecasting, Seattle, USA		
16h20	Discussion			
2. Part		Nuclear Proliferation – Who's Next?		
16h50	Chairperson	Claude Weinber (tbc), Heinrich Böll Foundation		
17h00	Introduction	A fresh look at proliferation dangers of nuclear energy Henry D. Sokolski, Executive Director of the Non-proliferation Policy Education Center (NPEC), Washington, USA		
17h20	Keynote 1	The international non-proliferation regime: doomed for failure? Annalisa Giannella, Personal Representative of EU High Representative J. Solana, on Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction		

17h45	Keynote 2	Modern democracies and nuclear proliferation: the case of India Dhirendra Sharma, Director of the Centre for Science Policy, Dehradun, India
18h10	Discussion	
18h30	Conclusion	
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3. Part		What Future for the EURATOM Treaty?
09h30	Chairperson	Johannes Voggenhuber, Greens/EFA MEP, Coordinator, Committee on Constitutional Affairs
09h45	Introduction	Why has the EURATOM Treaty turned into a Holy Cow? A Historical Review Prof. Joachim Radkau, Professor for Recent History, University of Bielefeld, Germany
10h05	Keynote 1	Unilateral withdrawal from the EURATOM Treaty Tobias Lock, Institute for Public Law, University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany
10h25	Keynote 2	Status of non-nuclear states initiatives Andreas Molin, Director, Nuclear Coordination, Environment Ministry, Austria
10h45	Discussion	
11h15	Break	

4. Part The Spring Council: Energy security and climate protection. Can the EU deliver?

11h00 Key intervention	Stavros Dimas, EU Commissioner for Environment
11h15	Question & Answers with Commissioner Dimas
11h30 - 12h45 Chair	Round-Table discussion in collaboration with EurActiv Frédéric Simon , EurActiv
Introduction	Claude Turmes (LU), Greens/EFA MEP
Discussion	Stephan Singer (DE), Head of the energy and climate unit, WWF European Policy Office Andrew Warren (UK), Senior Adviser, EuroACE (European Alliance of Companies for Energy Efficiency in Buildings) Juho Lipponen (FI), Head of the Energy Policy Unit, Eurelectric Arthouros Zervos (GR) (tbc), President of EREC

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15h00 - 18h00 Green experts meeting

Following this official part of the conference, there will be an internal meeting of Green energy experts from the different Member States.

