



Global Europe - Social Europe

Debate on the future of the European Social Model

Brussels, 5th of December 2006

Agenda

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| 12h00 onwards | Registration |
| 13h00-13h30 | Opening address by Helle Thorning Schmidt , Leader of the Social Democratic Party, Denmark, and Board Member of <i>Policy Network</i> |
| 13h30-14h15 | Key note address by EU Commission President José Manuel Barroso
"The New Social Reality of Europe" |
| | Questions & Answers |
| 14h15-16h15 | <i>The Social Justice Challenges of Today: Welfare, Inequality, and Cultural Diversity</i>

Chair: Werner Perger , Die ZEIT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Problems of the new welfare state: Rising inequalities and the challenge of affluence: Anthony Giddens, former director of the LSE |

- Demography, gender and life-cycle: Understanding changing patterns in society: **Jane Jenson**, Professor at the University of Montreal
- Immigration and social integration: The need for new solidarities and community relations: **Patrick Weil**, Senior Research fellow at the French National Center for Scientific Research

Questions & Answers

Responses:

Vladimir Spidla, EU Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities

Allan Larsson, Former Director General of the EU Commission, Directorate for Employment and Social Affairs

Open Discussion

16h15-16h30

Coffee Break

16h30-18h30

Is the Single Market the Enemy of Social Justice?

Chair: **Patrick Diamond**, Director, Policy Network

- Developing Europe's talents to the full: How to overcome social disadvantages: **Anton Hemerijck**, Director of the Netherlands Scientific Council for Government Policy
- Transitional labour markets – “Flexicurity plus”: **Hans Martens**, Chief Executive, European Policy Centre
- Social justice in an open economy: **Jean Pisani-Ferry**, Director, BRUEGEL

Questions & Answers

Responses:

Grete Faremo, Director Law and Corporate Affairs, Western Europe,
Microsoft

John Monks, General Secretary of the European Trade Union
Confederation

Open discussion

18h30-19h00

Concluding session

Chair: **Peter Mandelson**, EU Trade Commissioner

Speakers: **Giuliano Amato**, Italian Home Secretary (tbc)
Charles Clarke, Former UK Home Secretary

19h00-20h00

Drinks for all participants