



ACP-EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment

MINUTES

of the meeting of Saturday 23 November 2013
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

*The meeting opened at 15.13 on Saturday 23 November 2013 with Job Ndugai
(Tanzania, ACP Co-Chair) in the chair*

1. Adoption of agenda (AP101.531)

The agenda was adopted as shown in these minutes.

2. Approval of minutes of the meeting of
• **19 and 20 September 2013 in Brussels (AP101.529)**

Speaker: Netty Baldeh (Gambia).

The minutes were approved.

3. Co-chairs' announcements

The Co-Chair made a number of announcements, which included information on the two workshops, the formal opening ceremony of the 26th Session of the JPA and the JPA Newsletter.

4. The social and environmental impacts of pastoralism on ACP Countries

Co-rapporteurs: Abdourahamane Chégou (Niger) and Fiona Hall

- Consideration of amendments (AP 101.526/AA)

- Adoption of draft report (AP 101.526/A)

The Co-rapporteurs Abdourahamane Chégou (Niger) and Fiona Hall made introductory remarks.

Amendments adopted:

1, 2, 3, 4, Oral AM 2, 6, 7, 9, 11, COMP1, 13, 14, Oral AM 1, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, COMP2, 24, 25.

Amendments fallen:

5, 10, 12, 15, 22, 23.

Amendment rejected:

8.

Decision: The amended report was adopted unanimously.

5. Mining for oil and minerals on the seabed in the context of sustainable development

Co-rapporteurs: Joe Koim Komun (Papua New Guinea) and Christa Klauf

- Consideration of draft report (AP 101.546)

The Co-rapporteurs underlined the need to be aware of the opportunities and risks of seabed mining, as well for appropriate procedures and regulations for exploiting resources in international and territorial waters, to examine the loopholes in the exploitation of these resources, to ensure transparency, and the respect for environmental standards and human rights.

Speakers: Horst Schnellhardt, Netty Baldeh (Gambia), Michèle Rivasi, Abdourahamane Chégou (Niger), Jo Leinen, Adjedoue Weidou (Chad), Achille Tapsoba (Burkina Faso), Catherine Bearder and Catherine Metdepenningen (European Commission).

Members emphasized the need for more research on seabed mining with environmental impact studies carried out by independent bodies and for equitable sharing of the benefits of seabed mining, and the ensuring of good governance in extractive industries.

Decision: The deadline for tabling amendments to the report was set for 12

February 2014 at noon.

The meeting continued with Michèle Rivasi (EU Co-chair) in the chair.

6. Decision on the title of the next report

- Exchange of views

Members exchanged views on the title of the next report.

Speakers: Job Ndugai (Tanzania), Abdourahamane Chégou (Niger), Fiona Hall, Catherine Bearder, Derek Vaughan, Edit Bauer and Achille Tapsoba (Burkina Faso).

Decisions: The title of the next report will be *The social and economic consequences of child mortality and malnutrition in ACP countries*.

Joseph Owona Kono (Cameroun) will be the ACP Co-rapporteur. The EU-Co-rapporteur will be appointed later.

The calendar will be: First exchange of views: 15 March 2014; consideration of draft report: September; 2014; vote and adoption of draft report: November 2014.

The following report will be on *The Challenges and opportunities of education and vocation training in ACP countries*.

7. Sustainable agriculture and climate change in Ethiopia

- Exchange of views with local representative

Million Belay (MELCA, an Ethiopian NGO), made a presentation on sustainable agriculture and climate change in Ethiopia, focusing on soil conservation and crop intensification, which have led to increased crop production. Million Belay also underlined the importance of ecological agriculture in protecting biodiversity as well as increasing the resilience of populations.

Speakers: Jo Leinen, Christa Kläß, Catherine Bearder, Job Ndugai (Tanzania), Fiona Hall, Adjedoue Weidou (Chad), Michèle Rivasi and David Mogollon (EU Delegation, Ethiopia).

Members noted the importance of different agricultural techniques in improving agricultural production, through integrated agriculture, and noted the steps being taken to address the high demographic growth, land grabbing and urbanization in Ethiopia.

8. Urgent and topical subjects

- Exchange of views

None.

9. Any other business

Svend Robinson (Global Fund) made a presentation on key issues with respect to the Global Fund to fight against Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

10. Date and place of next meeting

The next meeting will take place in Strasbourg, France on 15 March 2014.

The meeting closed at 18.25 p.m.

LISTE DE PRESENCE/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Présents/Present

ACP

Job Ndugai (Tanzania), Co-Chair
Adjedoue Weidou (Chad), 1st Vice-Chair

Achille Tapsoba (Burkina Faso)
Mo-Mamo Karerwa (Burundi)
Joseph Owona Kono (Cameroun)
Ahamada Djae (Comores)
Tutai Tura (Cook Islands)
Manuel Jimenez (Dominican Republic)
Netty Baldeh (Gambia)
Abdourahamane Chegou (Niger)
Dalton Tagelagi (Niue)
Joe Koim (Papua New Guinea)

PE/EP

Michèle Rivasi, Co-Chair
Horst Schnellhardt, Vice-Chair
Edit Bauer, Vice-Chair

Catherine Bearder
Philippe Boulland
Ole Christensen
Cristina Gutierrez-Cortines
Fiona Hall
Christa Klauf
Jo Leinen
Nobert Neuser
Frank Vanhecke
Derek Vaughan

Egalement présents/Also present

ACP

Hamudulu (Zambia), Apatoul (Republic of the Congo)

NGOs/Organisations

Million Belay (MELCA), Svend Robinson (Global Fund to fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria)

Commission européenne/European Commission

Metdepenningen (DEVCO), Mogollon, Carreras (EU Delegation, Ethiopia)

Groupes politiques/Political groups

Kosinska (EPP)
Mutafchieva (S&D)
Munoa Salaverria (ALDE)
Walelign (V/ALE)

Co-sécrétariat ACP/Co-secretariat ACP

Kakule

Co-sécrétariat PE/Co-secretariat EP

Cole, Illan Sailer, Pribaz

Assistance/Assisted by

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