

EPP Women Congress



“COMPETITIVENESS”

Priorities 2024-2029

Draft PROGRAMME

Thursday 12 December 2024 | European Parliament, Brussels, room A3-E2

- 14:30 **Welcome and registration of delegates**
- 15:00 **Opening of the Congress**
- **Rozália BIRÓ**, President EPP Women; Chair of the Committee for Foreign Policy at the Chamber of Deputies in the Romanian Parliament (RMDSZ)
 - video greeting from the EPP President **Manfred WEBER**
- 15:10 **Welcoming address**
- **Dr.h.c. Doris PACK**, Honorary President; Former EPP Women and RSI President; MEP between 1989-2014
- 15:20 Panel discussion with EU Commissioners, moderated by **Mariya GABRIEL**, EPP and EPP Women Vice-President
- 15:30 **‘Demography and Challenges in the Mediterranean’**
- **Dubravka ŠUICA**, EPPW Vice-President and European Commissioner for the Mediterranean
- 15:45 **‘Growth and Sustainability’**
- **Jessika ROSWALL**, European Commissioner for Environment, Water Resilience and Circular Economy

- 16:05 **'Strengthening the EU's digital independence'**
- **Henna VIRKKUNEN**, Executive Vice-President of the European Commission for technological sovereignty, security and democracy, digital and frontier technologies
- 16:20 **Conclusions by Mariya GABRIEL and questions from members**
- 16:40 **Family photo**
- 16:50 **Contribution of the Members of the European Parliament of the EPP Group on the topic of Competitiveness:**
- Welcome by **Frances FITZGERALD**, MEP, EPP Group Vice-President between 2019-2024:
- **Sunčana GLAVAK** , CULT, D-ME, ENVI (HDZ, Croatia)
 - **Danuše NERUDOVÁ**, D-KOR, BUDG, FISC (STAN, Czechia)
 - **Arba KOKALARI**, IMCO, FEMM, D-AL (Moderaterna, Sweden)
 - **Maria WALSH**, AGRI, FEMM, D-US (Fine Gael, Ireland)
 - **Željana ZOVKO**,EPP Group Vice-Chair;AFET,PECH,DUS (HDZ,Croatia)
 - **Kamila GASIUK-PIHOWICZ** IMCO, D-US (PO, Poland)
 - **Dóra DÁVID** IMCO, DEEA (TISZA, Hungary)
 - **Susana SOLÍS PÉREZ** ENVI, ITRE, D-CN (Partido Popular, Spain)
 - **Inese VAIDERE** DLAT, INTA,IMCO (Vienotība, Latvia)
 - **Ingeborg TER LAAK**, DACP, DAFR,ENVI (CDA, The Netherlands)
 - **Gabriella GERZSENYI**, REGI,DMAS,DMED (TISZA, Hungary)
- 18:00 **Discussion with MEP's**
- 18:25 **Conclusions by EPP Women President Ms. BIRÓ**
- 18:30 **Closing of the meeting**
- 19:30 **Dinner "Volle Gas" Pl. Fernand Cocq 21, 1050 Ixelles**

DAY 2 GENERAL BOARD - internal discussions with member parties

Friday 13 December 2024 | EPP Headquarters, Rue du Commerce 10

- 09:30 **Registration of delegates** and welcome with coffee and tea
- 10:00 **Opening** General Board meeting by EPPW President **Rozália BIRÓ**
- 10:15 **Confronting Europe's Labour Shortage: A Strategic Blueprint to Attract Global Talent and Reverse Population Decline**", policy paper by Martens Centre introduced by Dr. Teona Lavrelashvili
- 10:45 –
13:00 **Agenda:**
- Report of the President 2023-2024
 - Evaluation of the Elections for the European Parliament 2024
 - Presentation of the activities of the national EPPW member organizations
 - Mentoring Program
 - Financial matters 2024 and 2025
 - Any other business
- 13:05 **Closing of the meeting by Rozália BIRÓ**, President EPP Women
- 13:10 **Light lunch**