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*Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs*

## **PROGRAMME**

### **Seminar**

**on**

## **Prevention of Statelessness and Protection of Stateless Persons within the European Union**

**Tuesday 26 June 2007**

**9:00 – 12:30**

**Room ASP 3E2  
(Altiero Spinelli)  
Brussels**

## OPENING

*Introductory remarks by:*

09:00 - 09:05 *Mr Stavros Lambrinidis*, Vice-Chairman of the Civil Rights, Justice and Home Affairs Committee

09:05 - 09:15 *Mr. Francisco Fonseca Morillo*, Director, Directorate C, Civil Justice, Right and Citizenship

### PANEL I

#### Prevention of statelessness - view from academic experts in the field

09:15 - 09:30 *Mr. Gerard-Rene de Groot*, Professor of Comparative Law and Private International Law, University of Maastricht, The Netherlands

09:30 - 09:45 *Dr. Eva Ersboll*, Research fellow, Research Department, Danish Institute for Human Rights

09:45 - 10:15 *Debate*

### PANEL II

#### Reduction of Statelessness - view from the Council of Europe or of the United Nations

10:15 - 10:30 *Mr. Roland Scharer*, Head, Swiss nationality Section, Federal Office for Migration, Bern, Switzerland, expert for the Council of Europe

10:30 - 10:45 *Professor Zdzislaw Galicki*, Member of the International Law Commission, Professor Zdzislaw Galicki is the Vice-Director of the International Law Institute at Warsaw University, he is also the author of many papers, a UN and Council of Europe expert.

10:45 - 11:05 *Debate*

### PANEL III

#### Protection of Stateless Persons

11:05 - 11:20 *Mr. Philippe Leclerc*, Head of the Statelessness Unit, Division of International Protection Services, UNHCR Geneva

11:20 - 11:35 *Ms Inga Reine*, Government Agent, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia

### PANEL IV

#### People facing difficulties to access, enjoying, proving citizenship

11:35 - 11:50 *Ms Jasminka Dedic*, Peace Institute, Slovenia

11:50 - 12:00 *Prof. Roberto Pignoni*, University "La Sapienza" of Rome, Italy

12:00 - 12:20 *Debate*

12:20 - 12:30 *Closing remarks by the Presidency of the Council (the name of the representative of the Presidency to be communicated)*