

CROSS-PARTY FORUM “8+100”

European Parliament, Brussels

ASP 3G3, December 6, 2023 / 9:30 – 12:30

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9.30 – 10.00

Opening of the Forum. Welcome speeches

Ms. Sviatlana TSIKHANOUSKAYA, Head of the United Transitional Cabinet of Belarus (Video address)

Ms. Roberta METSOLA, President of the European Parliament (Video address),

Mr. Juozas OLEKAS, D-BY Chair,

Representatives of the main EP political groups, leaders of the European Parties and the representative(s) of the Forum organizers:

Mr. Pedro MARQUES, Vice-President of S&D Group,

Mr. Patrick VOLLER, External Relations Director at the EPP Headquarters (tbc),

Mr. Radosław FOGIEL, MP, Vice-President of the ECR Party (tbc),

10.00 – 10.45

Political prisoners in Belarus: solidarity and release

Moderator: Ms. Miriam LEXMANN,

Speakers: Ms. Hanna KRAŮČANKA, “Razam”,

Mr. Heidi HAUTALA (EP Vice-President for Sakharov network) (tbc),

Mr. Evgenij VILSKY, “Narodnaya Hramada”;

Mr. Udo BULLMANN (DROI Chair),

Summary: Ms. Anna FOTYGA

10.45 – 11.30

Parliamentary and local “elections” as a new challenge and threat for Belarus

Moderator: Ms. Isabel SANTOS,

Speakers: Ms. Nadia SAŁAŮJOVA, BNF

Mr. Andrius KUBILIUS (Euronest PA Co-President),

Mr. Jury HUBAREVIČ, “Movement for Freedom”,

Ms. Karin KALRSBRO (D-BY Vice-Chair),

Summary: Ms. Viola VON CRAMON-TAUBADEL

11.30 – 12.15

Belarus integration into Euro-Atlantic structures: step by step but relentlessly

Moderator: Mr. Ryszard CZARNECKI (D-RU Chair) (tbc)

Speakers: Mr. Vital RYMAŠEŪSKI, BCD

Mr. Petras AUŠTREVICIUS,

Mr. Igar BARYSAU, BSDP

Ms. Hanna JAHORAVA; UCP

Summary: Mr. Anatol LIABEDZKA

12.15 - 12.20

Address by **Mr. Giacomo FILIBECK**, Secretary General of PES

12.15 – 12.30

Summary of the Forum results by

Mr. Juozas OLEKAS (D-BY Chair)

Mr. Anatol LIABEDZKA

Adoption of the Forum final Resolution

12.30 – 14.30

Lunch reception for the participants of the Forum

(ASP 00G, former Members' bar)

BELARUSIAN PARTICIPANTS

- Belarusian Christian Democracy
- Belarusian Green Party
- Belarusian Popular Front Party
- Belarusian Social Democratic Party (Hramada)
- Movement "For Freedom"
- Narodnaya Hramada
- Party "Razam"
- United Civil Party

The Forum is organised by:

- Office of Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya
- European Dialogue Center
- International Republican Institute
- National Democratic Institute
- Swedish International Liberal Centre
- EP Delegation for relations with Belarus and political groups in the European Parliament:
- Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats
- European People's Party (Christian Democrats)
- European Conservatives and Reformists
- Greens/European Free Alliance

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