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09 and 10 June 2010

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**Day 1 - June 09, 2010 - 14.00 to 18.15**

**First Session: The Impacts of the Financial Crisis on the Collectively Managed Pension Funds and the Consequent Reactions in Europe and North America**

- 14.00 to 14.30 - Opening of the Conference
- 14.00 to 14.15 - *Esa Swanljung, TELA (The Finnish Pension Alliance), The European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP), President*
  - 14.15 to 14.30 - *John S. "Rocky" Miller, Jr., Cox Castle & Nicholson, Partner, The National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans (NCCMP) Board of Directors*
- 14.30 to 15.10 - Global Overview of the Impact of the Financial Crisis
- 14.30 to 14.50 - Overview of the main impacts of the financial crisis on the welfare systems of Europe by *Rym Ayadi Ph.D, Centre for the European Policy (CEPS), Head of Research*
  - 14.50 to 15.10 - Overview of the main impacts of the financial crisis on the welfare systems of North America by *Paul Fronstin Ph.D, Employee Benefit Research Institute, Senior Research Associate*
- 15.10 to 16.00 - Comparative Cases: the Impact of the Financial crisis on the American and European Pension Funds and Debate for an EU-US Joint Study Group:
- 15.10 to 15.35 - The European Experience by *Paul Hilbers, De Nederlandsche Bank (DNB), Division Director Supervision Policy*
  - 15.35 to 16.00 - The North American Case: Presentation of the Study NCCMP on the impact of the crisis on U.S. jointly managed pension funds by *Randy G. DeFrehn, National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans (NCCMP), Executive Director*
- 16.00 to 16.20 - Coffee Break**
- 16.20 to 16.45 - Debate: Proposal for an EU-US Joint Study Group/Committee on Pension Income Security Issues Moderated by Matti Leppala, TELA (The Finish Pension Alliance), Director
- Bruno Gabellieri, the European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP), Secretary-General*
  - John S. "Rocky" Miller, Jr., Cox Castle & Nicholson, Partner, The National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans (NCCMP), Board of Directors*
- 16.45 to 17.10 - The Importance of Benchmarking Information for Pension Investment and Administration Operations by *Mike Heale, CEM Benchmarking Inc., Partner*

- 17.10 to 18.10 - The European and US Reactions to the Financial Crisis
- 17.10 to 17.30 – Policy coordination in the EU and its response to the crisis by *Benedicta Marzinotto, Ph.D, Bruegel, Resident Fellow*
  - 17.30 to 17.50 - The new European supervisory authority and the De Larosière report by *Katherin Blanck-Putz, European Commission, DG Internal Market & Services*
  - 17.50 to 18.10 - Measures and discussions held in the United States by *Thomas J. Mackell, Jr., Ph.D, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond Former Chair, Board of Directors*
- 18.10 to 18.30 - Conclusions by *Bruno Gabellieri, European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP), Secretary-General*

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## Day 2 - June 10, 2010 - 09.00 to 18.30

### Second Session on Pensions: the Main Features and Challenges in Europe and North America (Solvency, Sustainability and Adequacy)

- 09.00 to 09.15 - Introduction by *Bruno Gabellieri, European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP) Secretary-General*
- 09.15 to 09.35 - The EU Policies on Pensions and the Ongoing Open Questions by *Georg Fischer, European Commission, DG Employment and Social Affairs, Head of Unit of Social Protection and Integration*
- 09.35 to 10.50 - Round Table: Debates on Solvency Rules for Pension Funds Moderated by *Liam Kennedy IPE magazine, Editor on Investment and Pensions Europe*
- *Teresa Turner, Committee of European Insurance and Occupational Pensions (CEIOPS) Administrator and Pensions Expert*
  - *Gerard Riemen, VB (Dutch Association of Industry wide Pension Funds), Director*
  - *Robert D. Krinsky, Segal Company, Chairman Emeritus*
- 10.50 to 11.05 - Coffee Break**
- 11.05 to 11.30 - Recovering Losses of Non-US Pension Funds and Institutional Investors after a Corporate Fraud: US securities litigation by *Leonard Barrack, Barrack, Rodos & Bacine Law Firm, Founding Partner*
- 11.30 to 11.50 - The different impact of the crisis on the non-profit insurance industry according to the Moody's Report, "Revenge of the Mutuals" by *Paul Roels, PROcrea Consulting, Director-General*
- 11.50 to 13.00 - Round Table: the Ongoing Discussions on DB and DC Schemes in Europe and US Moderated by *Peter Gramke, Soka-Bau, Audit Department Director*
- *Remigiusz Borowski, Official of the Polish Ministry of Social Affairs*
  - *Frans Vanderschelde, Expert BBTk/SETCa (Belgium Socialist Union), CAP (Official Belgian Commission Supplementary Pensions), Administrator INTEGRALE (Belgium Paritarian Insurance Company)*
  - *Marc LeBlanc, Administrator, Sheet Metal Workers National Pension Fund, Alexandria, Virginia*

**13.00 to 14.30 - Lunch Break**

## Third Session on Healthcare: Comparison and Reforms in Europe and North America

- 14.30 to 14.50 - A General Overview of the Main Features of the European Health Systems (Access, Quality and Costs) by *Franck Droin, Kadris Consultants, Director*
- 14.50 to 15.15 - The US Reform and Repercussions and Ramifications of the Possible Failure by *Mrs Phyllis C. Borzi, US Department of Labor, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employee Benefits Security from the Obama Administration*
- 15.15 to 16.30 - Panel Debate among National Representatives: Examples, Problems and Solutions Moderated by *Philippe Swennen Ph.D, Association Internationale de la Mutualité (AIM), Project Manager*
- French healthcare system: main features and actors: *Vincent Chevrier, l'Unocam, Secretary-General*
  - The Dutch experience by *Piet de Bekker, The Healthcare Embassy Foundation on behalf of PGGM*
  - An US/Canadian perspective on Healthcare: *John Miller, Partner, Cox Castle and Nicholson, Member, NCCMP Board of Directors*
- 16.30 to 16.50 - **Coffee Break**

## Fourth Session: Health and Safety at Work

- 16.50 to 17.10 - Mapping of the Existing Paritarian Schemes on Health and Safety at Work in the Construction Sector by *Francesco Briganti, European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP), Director of the Brussels Office*
- 17.10 to 18.15 - Panel: Europe, Canada and US in Health and Safety at Work Moderated by *Enrique Corral, Fundacion Laboral, Director-General, President of the AEIP Task Force Health and Safety at work*
- The Experience of La Capitale in Quebec: a Canadian Success Story. *Alain Bouellat, Solareh, Director of Development*
  - The Experience of BG BAU in Germany, *Bernd Merz, BG BAU, Seconded National Expert Mechanical, Electrical and Telecom Equipment to the European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry*
  - The US initiatives in health and safety at work: *Knut Ringen, DrPH, MHA, MPH, Stoneturn Consulting, President and former Executive Director, Center to Protect Workers Rights (now Center for Construction, Research and Training)*
- 18.15 to 18.30 - Closing of the Conference
- *Esa Swanljung,TELA (The Finnish Pension Alliance), the European Association of Paritarian Institutions (AEIP), President*
  - *Randy G. DeFrehn, National Coordinating Committee for Multiemployer Plans (NCCMP), Executive Director*