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## PROGRAMME

# Informal Meeting of Competitiveness Ministers *(Internal Market)*

14 October 2009, Umeå, Sweden

*(meeting nr 429)*

## Priorities for the Internal Market in the next decade

**Morning**      **Arrival in Umeå**

**13.00–14.00 Luncheon**

Hosted by Ms Ewa Björling, Minister for Trade and responsible for the Internal Market

**14.00–14.20 The Single Market Award**

The very first winner of the award will be announced by Ms Ewa Björling and a representative from the Commission  
*The prize ceremony is open to media*

**14.20–16.00 Policy discussion: "Priorities for the Internal Market in the next decade" focusing on how to improve the free movement for services including external aspects**

Opening of session by Ms Ewa Björling, Minister for Trade and responsible for the Internal Market

Questions for discussion:

*1. We need an Internal Market fit for the 21st century. In the light of the Lisbon strategy post 2010 and the Barroso guidelines for the next Commission, what should be our three main priorities for the Internal Market in the next decade?*

*2. The discussion paper on "Facing the future – the Single Market for services" stresses that trade in services including new sectors could be our future locomotive of growth in Europe. The Services Directive is a crucial step towards a free movement for services but are there other measures that could be initiated to further improve service trade?*

*3. In view of globalisation, and the importance of the external dimension of Europe's competitiveness, there is a need for a more overall targeted approach to competitiveness issues in the internal market. How can we ensure that our internal market policy priorities work together with our external agenda in order to fulfill the objective of the Lisbon strategy post 2010?*

**16.00–16.45 Coffee break and a visit to the exhibition**

*The visit to the exhibition is open to media*

**16.45–18.00 Further policy discussion and closing of the meeting**

**18.00–18.30 Press conference**

**19.30–22.30 Official dinner for Ministers and delegates for the Internal Market and Industry**



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# Informal Meeting of Competitiveness Ministers *(Industry)*

15 October 2009, Umeå, Sweden

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## Towards an Eco-efficient Economy for Europe

### 09.00–09.30 Introduction

- 09.00–09.05 Ms Maud Olofsson, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Energy
  - 09.05–09.10 Mr Günter Verheugen, Vice President, Commissioner for Enterprise and Industry
  - 09.10–09.20 Mr Leif Johansson, Chief Executive Officer, AB Volvo
  - 09.20–09.30 Mr Frank Appel, Chief Executive Officer, DHL
- The introductions can be followed by the press in the press conference room*

### 09.30–10.45 Interaction/Cooperation between Industry and Policymakers

09.30 – 10.00 Informal discussions around coffee tables

*Question: What expectations and responsibilities should industry and policymakers have on each other in the transition to an Eco-efficient Economy?*

- 10.00–10.35 Presentation from each table
- 10.35–10.40 Comments from Mr Leif Johansson and Mr Frank Appel
- 10.40–10.45 Closing remarks from Ms Maud Olofsson on session 1

### 10.45–11.30 Coffee break and exhibition on Eco-efficient Economy

*The visit of the exhibition is open to the media*

### 11.30–13.00 The Global Competition and Policy Response

*Question: What policy measures are necessary on EU level and on national level if wanting to stay and increase Europe's competitiveness?*

- 11.30–11.40 Mr Stefan Jonsson, Agency for Growth Policy Evaluations and Analyses
  - 11.40–11.50 Representative from the European Parliament–ITRE
- The presentations can be followed by the press in the press conference room*
- 11.50–12.20 Informal discussions around coffee tables
  - 12.20–13.00 Presentation from each table and closing remarks from participants

### 13.00–13.30 Closing

### 13.30–14:00 Press conference

### 14.00–15.30 Luncheon



## PROGRAMME

# Informal meeting of Competitiveness Ministers *(Research)*

15–16 October 2009, Umeå, Sweden

*(meeting nr 429)*

## Programme for Ministers of Research

### Thursday, 15 October 2009

Afternoon **Arrival**

Arrival at Umeå Airport and transfer to  
Nolia Conference Centre

17.00–18.30 **Working session**

Evening **Official dinner for Research Ministers**

### Friday, 16 October 2009

09.00–10.00 **Working session**

10.30–12.30 **Working session**

12.30 **Press Conference**

12.30 **Buffet lunch**

Hosted by Minister for Higher Education and Research  
Tobias Krantz