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## Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population

# **HEARING** on

Lives lost in the Mediterranean sea: who is responsible? (Rapporteur: Ms Tineke Strik, Netherlands, SOC)

# Paris, 29 November 2011

2 - 6.30 pm

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# REVISED DRAFT PROGRAMME

2.00 pm Opening of the Hearing by **Ms Tineke STRIK**, Rapporteur

2.15 – 4 pm

#### SESSION 1: TRAGEDIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA AND EUROPE'S RESPONSIBILITY

## 2011: Annus Horribilis in the Canal of Sicily

#### Keynote speaker:

- Mr Christoph HEIN, Director of Italian Refugee Council

#### Missing Persons in the Mediterranean Sea: the families' right to know

#### Keynote speaker:

- Mr Stephane OJEDA, Diplomatic Adviser, ICRC

# Law of the Sea and Law of Armed Conflicts

#### Keynote speaker:

- Mr Baldwin de VIDTS, Vice-President of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law

#### Parliamentary panel and debate.

- Ms Tina ACKETOFT, Sweden, ALDE
- Mr Giacomo SANTINI, Italy, EPP/CD (tbc)

4pm – 4.30pm Coffee break

# 4.30 - 6.30 pm

# **SESSION 2: LEARNING FROM THE TRAGIC EVENTS**

#### Towards more and better international coordination?

#### Keynote speakers:

- Ms Anja KLUG, Senior Legal Officer, Asylum and Migration Unit, Department of International Protection of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

# Parliamentary panel and debate.

- Mr Joseph DEBONO GRECH, Malta, SOC (tbc)
- Ms Doris FIALA, Switzerland, ALDE (tbc)

# What is the role of national authorities, NATO and FRONTEX?

- **ZZ**....., **NATO** (tbc)
- Mr Rustamas LIUBAJEVAS, Head of Joint Operations Unit, FRONTEX

#### Parliamentary panel and debate.

- Mr Christopher CHOPE, Chairperson of the Committee, United Kingdom, EDG
- Mr Nikolaos DENDIAS, Greece, EPP/CD (tbc)

#### 6.15 pm Concluding remarks by **Ms Tineke STRIK**, Rapporteur