

**THIRD ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EMPA**

**Tunis: 16 and 17 march 2007**

**The Karthago Palace Hotel- Gammarth**

**DRAFT PROGRAM**

**Friday 16 march 2007**

**9.00-11.00**

- Meeting of the ad-hoc committee on women's rights in the Euro-Mediterranean countries (Al-Diwan Room).

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**11.00-11.15**

- Break.

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**11.15-13.00**

- Pursuit of works of the ad-hoc committee on women's rights in the Euro-Mediterranean countries (Al-Diwan Room).

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**15.00-17.30**

- Meetings of the committees: Debate on draft recommendations and vote for amendments:
  - Political committee: (Serail Room).
  - Economic committee: (Al- Diwan Room).
  - Cultural committee (Le Moulin Room).

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**17.30-17.45**

- Break.

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- Pursuit of the committees' meetings (the same rooms): Adoption of the draft recommendations.
- End of the committees' meetings.

**Saturday 17 march 2007**

**9.00-10.00**

- Meeting of the EMPA Bureau: (Al-Diwan Room).
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**10.00-10.45**

- Meeting of the Extended Bureau in presence of committee's chairmen (Al-Diwan Room).
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**PLENARY SESSION ( Serail Room)**

**Inaugural session:**

**11.00**

- Opening speech pronounced by Mr Fouad MEBAZAA, President of the EMPA.
  - Adoption of the draft agenda.
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**11.05 :**

**- Addresses of honorary guests:**

- Mr Gunter GLOSER, German Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs in charged of European Affairs.
  - Mr José Manuel BARROSO, President of the European commission.
  - Mr Amr MOUSSA, Secretary General of Arab States League.
  - Mr Javier SOLANA, European Union High Representative for the common foreign policy.
  - Mrs Benita Ferrero-WALDNER, European Union Commissioner for External Relations and Neighborhood Policy.
  - Mr Habib BEN YAHIA, Secretary General of the Arab Maghreb Union.
  - Mr Franco FRATTINI, President of Mediterranean Observatory.
  - Mr Abdelwahab ABDALLAH, Minister of foreign affairs of the Republic of Tunisia.
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- Speech of Mr Ahmed Fathi SOROUR, President of the People's Assembly of Egypt and Member of the EMPA Bureau.

- Speech of Mr Hans- Gert POETTERING, President of the European Parliament and Member of the EMPA Bureau.

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- Report of Mr Fouad MEBAZAA, President of the EMPA, on the Assembly activities during the Tunisian Presidency (March 2006- March 2007)

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### **12.15**

- Adjournment of the meeting.

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### **12.30**

- Pursuit of works of Plenary Session:

Debate on the theme: "Dialogue between Cultures".

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### **13.00**

- Adjournment of the meeting.

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### **15.00-16.30**

- Pursuit of the debate on the theme: "Dialogue between Cultures".

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### **16.30-17.00**

Presentation and adoption of committee's draft recommendations:

- Commission on political affairs, security and human rights.
  - Commission on economic, financial, social affairs and education.
  - Commission on promotion life quality, human exchanges and culture.
  - Ad-hoc commission on women's rights in the Euro- Mediterranean countries.
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**17.00-17.15**

- Break.

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**17.15-18.00**

- Presentation of the activity of working group on "Financing of EMPA and revision of its rules of procedure".

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**18.00-18.05**

- Reading and adoption of the draft final declaration of presidency.

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**18.05-18.15**

- Address of Mrs Anna BENAKI -PSAROUDA, President of Hellenic parliament and Member of the EMPA Bureau.

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**18.15-18.20**

- Closing address by Mr Fouad MEBAZAA, President of the EMPA.

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**18.30-18.50**

- Press Conference of Mr Fouad MEBAZAA, President of the EMPA in Presence of the Members of the Bureau (Al-Diwan Room).

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**20.00**

- Dinner offered by Mr Fouad MEBAZAA, President of Tunisian Chamber of Deputies and EMPA President.

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**Sunday 18 march 2007**

**9.30-15.00**

- Excursion (visit to the city of Nabeul and the city of Hammamet).

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