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The 3169th session of the Council of the European Union - **COMPETITIVENESS** (Internal market, Industry, Research, Space) - will take place on 30 (9.30) and 31 (10.00) May 2012, in the Justus Lipsius Building, Brussels, under the chair of Mr **Ole SOHN**, Minister for Business and Growth, and Mr **Morten ØSTERGAARD**, Minister for Science, Innovation and Higher Education, of Denmark.

The following points will be discussed at this session:

WEDNESDAY 30 MAY 2012 (9.30)

INTERNAL MARKET AND INDUSTRY

Public deliberations

- Proposal for a Regulation establishing a Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (COSME) (2014-2020)
Partial general approach
- Proposal for a Directive amending Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications and Regulation on administrative cooperation through the Internal Market Information System
Orientation debate
- Proposal for a Directive on Public Procurement
Progress report
Orientation debate
- Proposal for a Directive on alternative dispute resolution for consumer disputes
- Proposal for a Regulation on online dispute resolution for consumer disputes
General approach

Non-legislative activities

- Digital Single Market and Governance of the Single Market
Council conclusions
- Draft agreement on a Unified Patent Court and draft Statute
Political agreement

THURSDAY 31 MAY 2012 (10.00)

RESEARCH

Public deliberations

- Horizon 2020: the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)
 - Proposal for a Regulation establishing Horizon 2020
Partial general approach
 - Proposal for a Regulation laying down the rules for participation and dissemination in Horizon 2020
 - Proposal for a Decision establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon 2020
 - Proposal for a Regulation on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2014-2018) complementing the Horizon 2020
Progress report

- European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)
 - Proposal for a Decision of on the Strategic Innovation Agenda for the EIT: the contribution of the EIT to a more innovative Europe
 - Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation (EC) 294/2008 establishing the EIT
Progress report

Non legislative activities

- European Innovation Partnerships
Council conclusions

Press conferences:

- *internal market: Wednesday 30/5, at the end of the session;*
- *research and innovation: Thursday 31/5, at the end of the session.*

Press conferences and public deliberations can be followed by video streaming:

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