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JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS Council[1], 5 and 6 December

Place: Justus Lipsius building, Brussels
Chair(s): **Dailis Alfonsas BARAKAUSKAS**, Minister for Interior of Lithuania
Juozas BERNATONIS, Minister for Justice of Lithuania

The following points will be discussed at this meeting:

Thursday, 5 December (09.30) - HOME AFFAIRS

Legislative deliberations ***(in public session[2])***

- Any other business
  Information from the Presidency on current legislative proposals

Non-legislative activities

– Issues related to the free movement of persons
  Final report from the Commission

– Fight against terrorism: Foreign fighters and returnees from a counter-terrorism perspective, in particular with regard to Syria
  Presentation from CTC and discussion

Thursday, 5 December (15.00)

In the margins of the Council
Meeting of the MIXED COMMITTEE

– Draft Council Decision on the framework for the full application of the provisions of the Schengen acquis in the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania
  State of play

– Task Force Mediterranean
  Report from the Commission

– The situation in the Schengen area
  Fourth biannual report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the functioning of the Schengen area (1 May - 31 October 2013)
  Presentation and orientation debate

– Fourth Report on Post-Visa Liberalisation Monitoring for the Western Balkans countries

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1 The 3279th meeting of the Council of the European Union.

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– Future development of the JHA area

Friday, 6 December (09.30) - JUSTICE

Legislative deliberations *(in public session[3])*

– Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation)
Essential elements of the one-stop-shop mechanism

– Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council creating a European Account Preservation Order to facilitate cross border debt recovery in civil and commercial matters
General approach

– Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1346/2000 on insolvency proceedings
Orientation debate

– Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1215/2012 on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters
General approach

– Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Common European Sales Law
Information by the Presidency

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Non-legislative activities

– Council conclusions on combating hate crime
Adoption

– Council conclusions on the EU Citizenship Report 2013
Adoption

– Council conclusions on the evaluation of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights
Adoption

– Justice aspects of the European Semester, including the Justice Scoreboard
Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views

– Future development of the JHA area

– Accession of the European Union to the ECHR
State of play

– e-Justice
(a) Strategy on European e-Justice 2014-2018
Adoption
(b) Work achieved during the second semester of 2013
Information by the Presidency

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In the margins of the Council on 5 December 2013

– Signature of a Joint Declaration on a Mobility Partnership between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the European Union and its participating Member States (approx. 13h00).

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Public debates/Public deliberations:

The list of items for public debate / deliberation will be available on the Open Sessions page of the Council website.

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Press conferences: Home Affairs Council *(Thursday, at the end of the meeting +/- 18.30);*
Justice Council *(Friday, before lunch +/- 13.30)*

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