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Date	Evénement	Lieu	Fiche
26-27 mai 2003	Conférence à mi-parcours des Ministres des Affaires étrangères euromed	Grèce	Aucune
2-3 décembre 2003	VI réunion euroméditerranéenne des Ministres des Affaires étrangères	Naples	Aucune

COMITE DU PROCESSUS DE BARCELONE

Date	Evénement	Lieu	Fiche
4 février 2003	Comité Euromed	Bruxelles	Aucune
27 mars 2003	Comité Euromed	Bruxelles	Aucune
8 mai 2003	Comité Euromed	Bruxelles	Aucune

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PARTENARIAT POLITIQUE ET DE SECURITE

Date	Evénement	Lieu	Fiche
13 décembre 2002	Réunion ad hoc sur le Terrorisme	Bruxelles	Aucune
3 février 2003	Réunion des Hauts Fonctionnaires	Bruxelles	Aucune
26 mars 2003	Réunion des Hauts Fonctionnaires	Bruxelles	Aucune
7 mai 2003	Réunion des Hauts Fonctionnaires	Bruxelles	Aucune

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PARTENARIAT ECONOMIQUE ET FINANCIER

Date	Evénement	Lieu	Fiche
16-17 décembre 2002	Groupe de travail intégration régionale	Malte	Aucune
A déterminer	Forum euro-méditerranéen de la société de l'information	Bruxelles	Edition de mars 2000
A déterminer	Réunion du Dialogue Economique renforcé	Bruxelles	Aucune
16-17 janvier 2003	Groupe de travail coopération industrielle	Bruxelles	Aucune
Avril 2003	Forum Euro Med Energie	A déterminer	Aucune
20-21 mai 2003	Réunion euro-méditerranéenne des Ministres de l'Energie	Athènes	Ci-jointe
Mi-2003	Réunion euro-méditerranéenne des Ministres du commerce	A déterminer	A venir

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PARTENARIAT SOCIAL, CULTUREL ET HUMAIN

Date	Événement	Lieu	Fiche
Second semestre 2003	Conférence ministérielle euro- méditerranéenne sur les migrations et l'intégration sociale des migrants	A déterminer	A venir

AUTRES EVENEMENTS*

Date	Événement	Lieu	Fiche

* Cette rubrique comprend des événements qui ne sont pas formellement approuvés par le Comité euro-méditerranéen du Processus de Barcelone.

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PROPOSAL FOR THE 3RD EURO-MEDITERRANEAN MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON ENERGY (Athens, 20-21 May 2003).

Submitted by Greece with the agreement of the European Commission

1. Context and description of the activity:

The importance of the energy sector in the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership is acknowledged by the Barcelona Declaration which stresses the need to strengthen cooperation and intensify dialogue in the field of energy policies as well as to create the necessary conditions to foster interconnections and investment. In the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership's Economic and Financial Chapter, energy is one of the six priority sectors which should be reinforced and where activities should be concentrated.

The Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on Energy of Trieste (1996) indicated the areas of cooperation in the field of Energy and agreed on the setting up of the Euro-Mediterranean Energy Forum. The Euro-Mediterranean Conference of Energy Ministers in Brussels (1998) agreed that security of supply, competitiveness and environmental protection are objectives on which the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership in the field of Energy should be based. The Conference also adopted the medium term Action Plan of the Euro-Mediterranean Energy Forum which expires in 2002.

The Euro-Mediterranean Energy Forum in Granada (May 2000) agreed on a set of energy priorities, particularly:

- the reform of the Mediterranean Partners' legislative and regulatory framework,
- restructuring the energy industry of the Mediterranean Partners,
- convergence of the energy policies of the European Union and the Mediterranean Partners,
- the integration of the Mediterranean energy markets,
- the development of interconnections, in particular south-south links, and
- the use of renewable energy in a framework of sustainable development.

At their meeting in Valencia (April 2002) Euro-Mediterranean Ministers of Foreign Affairs welcomed a proposal by Greece to hold a Euro-Mediterranean Conference on Energy in 2003.

2. Objectives

The Conference will review the achievements of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership in the field of Energy, with regard to the priorities agreed by the Euro-Mediterranean Energy Forum in Granada, the work carried out by the Ad Hoc Energy Groups over 2002-2003 and the conclusions of the third Euro-Mediterranean Energy Forum to be held in Brussels in April 2003. On this basis, the Conference will outline the framework of a new Euromed Energy Action Plan consisting of basic policy guidelines and priority actions of common interest.

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Ministers' discussions would focus on the following topics:

- promotion and development of the Trans-Euro-Mediterranean Energy Network in particular interconnections (South-South and links with the TEN-Energy);
- security of supply, in particular the ways and means to improve the producer-consumer dialogue;
- competitiveness, in particular regulatory aspects and the opening of markets;
- promotion of renewable energies as agreed by the Johannesburg Summit;
- safety and security of energy infrastructure and transport, paying specific attention to the use of new technologies (especially GALILEO) and the environmental dimension;
- infrastructure financing in particular the necessary conditions to boost energy private investment including the role that the new Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership Facility managed by the EIB could play to further develop interconnections and to promote the use of renewable sources of energy.

3. Respect of criteria for regional activities:

The Conference will be open to all Euro-Mediterranean Partners. It will specifically address Energy issues in the Barcelona Process framework as well as the Trieste (1996) and Brussels (1998) Ministerial Conferences on Energy.

4. Funding:

The Conference will take place in Athens on 20-21 May 2003. It could be preceded by a meeting of Senior Officials from the energy sector. The cost of the Ministerial Conference and the preparatory meeting beyond the contribution of the host country would be of the order of 240.000 euros.

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