



# **THE DANISH EU PRESIDENCY 2012**

***EUROPE AT WORK***

# OVERVIEW

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# THE PRESIDENCY IN NUMBERS

- 4 formal and informal meetings of Heads of State and Government
- 46 Council meetings
- Approximately 1780 meetings in Brussels in total during DK Presidency
- DK Ministers in the European Parliament 85 times
- 8 informal ministerial meetings in Denmark
- Hundreds of conferences and events arranged in relation to the Presidency

# FRAMEWORK CONDITIONS FOR THE PRESIDENCY

## **Taking over Presidency in times of crisis:**

- Europe facing major challenges due to economic crisis (dominating agenda of Danish Presidency)
- Cooperation in a crisis (European Council on 9 December 2011 agreeing on content of Fiscal Compact – UK and Czech Republic not participating)
- Possible break-up of cooperation into several fractions?

# THE BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATERS

**Ambition of the Presidency: 1) Acting as a bridge over troubled water and 2) demonstrating that cooperation works and able to create results**



# RESULTS: A RESPONSIBLE EUROPE

- European Semester
- Strengthened economic cooperation in the euro countries ("two-pack")
- Financial regulation
  - Derivatives trading
  - Strengthened capital requirements
  - Credit rating agencies
- Negotiating box on the MFF (including Horizon 2020, Cohesion Policy, etc.)

*\* This list is not conclusive*

# AUSTERITY VS. GROWTH-MEASURES?

NOT AN EITHER OR, BUT COMBINATION OF BOTH



# RESULTS: A DYNAMIC EUROPE

- A European Compact on Growth and Jobs, agreement on EU Patent Reform
- Reform of the Single Market
- Roaming III
- Pilot phase of European project bonds
- Guidelines on transportation - TEN-T
- Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)

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# RESULTS: A GREEN EUROPE

- The Energy Efficiency Directive
- Sulphur from marine fuels
- Rio+20
- A seventh EAP, Seveso III, export of Dangerous Chemicals
- Fisheries (ban on discard and guidelines for third country agreements)

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# RESULTS: A SAFE EUROPE

- Candidate status to Serbia, agreement to open accession negotiations with Montenegro
- A European "Passenger Name Record" (PNR) system
- JHA files, e.g. minimum Standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime
- Schengen package
- Asylum package

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# COMMUNICATIONS AND LOGISTICS

## Key facts:

- 160 meetings in DK (informal ministerials, conferences, seminars, etc.)
- 10,268 delegates have participated
- The eight informal ministerial meetings and the visits by the Commission and the European Parliament to Denmark were covered by 750 journalists
- 35,222 presidency neckties and scarves have been produced to use for gifts to guests and other stakeholders in Denmark and around Europe
- A total of 87,000 notepads and 77,000 pens with the Presidency logo have been produced - all in a sustainable manner
- News on eu2012.dk: More than 240 press releases, 40 insight articles and 31 background articles – more than 700.000 visits. The Presidency has tweeted more than 1,300 times, more than 6,000 followers

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