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Draft programme

22 November, 2004 (Monday)

Morning session: Co-ordination of the European Policy in Poland

venue: Office of the Committee for European Integration (UKIE), Warsaw, al. Ujazdowskie 9

- Meeting with Secretary of State, Head of UKIE
- Co-ordination of the European Policy in Poland

Buffet lunch, UKIE

Afternoon session: Civil Service in Poland

venue: Office of the Civil Service, Warsaw, al. Szucha 2/4

- Meeting with the Deputy Head of the Civil Service
- Civil Service in Poland international co-operation of Office of the Civil Service after Poland's accession to the EU

Evening

Sightseeing tour in Warsaw

23 November, 2004 (Tuesday)

Morning session: Poland's foreign policy

venue: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Warsaw, al. Szucha 23

- Priorities of Poland's foreign policy
- National defence policy
- New neighbourhood policy of the EU Poland's contribution and priorities
- Poland's co-operation with neighbouring countries: Russia, Ukraine and Belarus- challenges after Poland's accession to the EU

lunch break

Afternoon session: Self-government

Visit to the City Hall of the Capital City of Warsaw, Plac Bankowy 3/5

- The structure of the self-government in Poland Warsaw example.
- Mission and tasks of the self-government
- Development strategy of the Capital City of Warsaw: investments, infrastructure, entrepreneurship, environment protection plans and implemented actions
- Culture and promotion of the city, development of tourism
- Foreign co-operation
- Opportunities for the city development related with the EU membership use of the EU's financial instruments

24 November, 2004 (Wednesday)

<u>Morning session: Parliamentary System in Poland. National Parliament's role in the coordination of the European policy</u>

venue: The Sejm (The Lower Chamber of the Parliament of the Republic of Poland), Warsaw, ul. Wiejska 15

- Introduction to the parliamentary system in Poland
- Role of the national Parliament in the co-ordination of the European policy
- International co-operation of the Polish Parliament with Parliaments of the member states in the area of the European affairs

lunch break

Afternoon session: Meeting with mass media representatives

Venue: Office of the Committee for European Integration, Warsaw, al. Ujazdowskie 9

Evening

Visit to the Royal Castle, Warsaw, Plac Zamkowy 4

25 November, 2004 (Thursday)

Morning session: Visit to the College of Europe in Natolin

 Meeting with representatives of the College of Europe in Natolin (staff and students) – presentation of its history and activities.

lunch break

Afternoon session: Polish culture

venue: Ministry of Culture, Krakowskie Przedmieście 15/17

- National Strategy of Culture Development
- Promotion of Polish national heritage, promotion of Polish culture abroad

26 November, 2004 (Friday)

Morning session: Economy, Entrepreneurship

venue: Business Centre Club, Warsaw, Plac Żelaznej Bramy 10

- Development of Polish enterprises tasks of NGOs supporting economic development and entrepreneurship
- Use of the EU's financial instruments for development of entrepreneurship and labour market in Poland

Farewell lunch

Course closure

Warsaw, 16 September, 2004