



PROGRAMME

S&D Group visit to New York and Washington, October 25-30, 2009

Monday, 26 October New York

Individual arrivals in New York

*Hotel UN Millennium Plaza,
One United Nations Plaza,
44th Street, between 1st and 2nd Avenue
Tel.: +1 (212) 758 1234*

15h30 *Departure from Hotel lobby*

16h00 - 18h00 **Meetings with the Afghan and Egyptian ambassador to the UN** (tbc)

18h40 *Departure by foot to Restaurant*

19h00 - 21h30 **Optional: informal dinner with Milos Koterec, Ambassador of the Slovak Republic to the UN**

Venue: Capitol Grille, In the Trylon Towers of the Chrysler Center, 155 East 42nd Street, tel.: +1 212 953 2000

Tuesday, 27 October New York

09h00 *Departure from Hotel lobby (please check out in advance)*

09h10 *Collect UN access badges
Venue: UN Office, corner of 45th Street and 1st Avenue*

10h00 - 10h45 **Meeting with Sergio Duarte, UN High Representative for Disarmament**

Venue: UN Building, Room S-3170-B (extension office Duarte 31570)

11h00 - 12h00 **Briefing by the European Commission delegation to the UN, chaired by Peter Schwaiger, Head of Delegation**

*Venue: EU Delegation Office, 222 East 41st Street, 20th floor
Contact: Emanuele Giaufret, +1 212 401 0133*

- 12h00 *Transfer by taxi*
- 12h30 - 13h30 **Roundtable discussion at the EastWest Institute on disarmament, non-proliferation and missile defence.**
Chair: **W. Pal Sidhu**, Vice-President of Programs
Venue: *EastWest Institute, 11 East 26th Street, 20th floor*
Contact: *Sarah Terry, +1 212 824 4130*
- 13h45-14h15 **Meeting with Alain Le Roy, UN Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations (tbc)/ Meeting with John Holmes, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency (tbc)**
- 14h30-15h00 **Meeting with Elizabeth Spehar, Director of the Americas and Europe division, Department of Political Affairs at the United Nations**
Venue: *UN Building, Room S-3327*
Contact: *Elizabeth Danseco, +1 212 963 8780*
- Departure by foot to next meeting*
- 15h30 - 16h15 **Exchange of views with Ambassador Lidén, EU Swedish Presidency**
Venue: *One Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 2nd Avenue, 46th Floor*
Contact: *Eva-Lena Gustafsson, Tel.: +1 212 583 2520*
- 16h30 *Departure by taxis to Airport New York, La Guardia*
- 18h30 - 19h44 Flight Delta 5925 New York La Guardia - Washington Reagan National
- Individual arrivals to Washington, *Hotel Palomar, 2121 P Street NW, Washington DC, Tel.: +1 202 448 1800*
- 21h00 **Dinner Members of the delegation**
Venue: *Restaurant Hotel Palomar*

Wednesday October 28

08h30 *Departure from hotel by mini-bus*

9h00 - 10h30 **Briefing by Delegation of the European Commission to the USA**

Venue: 2300 M St NW - Washington, DC 20037-1434

Contact: Robert Whiteman, Tel.: +1 202-527 8932

11h15 -12h00 **Round table with Public Citizens Capitol Hill**

Lori Wallach, Director, Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch and **Tyson Slocum**, Director Public Citizen's Energy Program

Venue: Capitol Hill Office, 215 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE -

Contact: Lori Wallach, +1 202 546-499/+1 202 454 5191

12h30 - 16h00 ***BILATERAL MEETINGS IN CONGRESS, SPLIT OF DELEGATION***

ONLY VPs (Adrian, Hannes, Maria, Marita, Véronique)

13h15 - 13h45 **Meeting with Rep. Shelley Berkley, TLD Chairwoman, Committee on Foreign Affairs, Committee on Ways and Means**

Venue: 405 Canon House Office Building

GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Ioan, Roberto

15h00 - 15h30 **Meeting with Bill Delahunt, Chairman of the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight**

Venue: 2454 Rayburn House Office Building

Tel.: +1 202 225 5658

GROUP 2: Maria, Pervenche, Udo

12h30 - 13h00 **Meeting with Michael Passante, Legislative Counsel, Office of Senator Robert Menendez, Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Chairman of its Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development**

Venue: 528 Hart House Office Building

14h00 - 14h30 **Meeting with Senator Bernie Sanders, Committee on Environment and Public Works, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Committee on Health, Education and Labor**

Venue: 2454 Rayburn House Office Building

15h00 - 15h30 **Meeting with Rep. Luis Gutierrez, Committee on Financial Services, Chairman Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit**

Venue: 332 Dirksen Building

15h30 - 16h00 **Meeting with Rep. Paul Kanjorski, Chairman Committee on Capital Markets**

Venue: 2188 Rayburn House Office Building

GROUP 3: Marita, Jo, Linda

13h15 - 13h45 **Meeting with Chris Slevin, Legislative Counsel, Office of Senator Sherrod Brown, Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Chairman of its Subcommittee on Economic Policy**
Venue: 713 Hart House Office Building

14h00 - 14h30 (tbc) **Meeting with Bettina Poirier, Chief Counsel and Staff Director of Senator Boxer for the Environment and Public Works Committee**
Venue: 112 Hart Building

15h30 - 16h00 **Meeting with Rep. Marcy Kaptur, Committee on Appropriations and Committee on Budget**
Venue: 2186 Rayburn House Office Building

16h00 *Departure by mini-bus from front-side of the Rayburn Building, Independence Avenue*

RT GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Maria, Ioan, Roberto

16h30 - 18h00 **Round Table on Foreign Affairs (NATO, Russia, Arms Control and Middle East)**
Chair: **Ambassador Steven Pifer**, Former US Ambassador to Ukraine, Acting Director on US and Europe of Brookings, **Col. Patrick Warren**, US Army, Federal Executive Fellow at Brookings, former Executive Assistant to SACEUR, **Federiga Bindi**, Visiting Fellow, Brookings Center on US and Europe, Professor, Jean Monet Center, University of Rome, **Peter Schoettle**, Senior Staff, Brookings Executive Education
Venue: Brookings Institute, Johnson Room, 1775 Massachusetts Ave

RT GROUP 2: Marita, Jo, Linda, Pervenche, Udo

16h30 - 18h00 **Round Table on US Economic Stimulus Plan and the Financial Crisis**
Chair: **Ted Gayner**, Senior Fellow and Co-Director, Economic Studies Program, Brookings Institute, **Douglas Elliott**, Fellow, Economic Studies Program; Former President and Principal researcher, Center on Federal Financial Institutions; **Gary Burtless**, Senior Fellow, Economic Studies; Ari Witkin, Program Associate, Brookings Executive Education
Venue: Brookings Institute, Board Room, 1775 Massachusetts Ave. NW

19h30 - 21h30 **Dinner offered by the Swedish Ambassador to the United States, Sven Jonas Hafström**
Venue: 3900 Nebraska Ave., N.W.
Contact: Britt-Marie Forslund, Tel.: +1 202 467 2600

Thursday October 29

07h45 *Breakfast meeting in Hotel Palomar*

08h15 *Departure by mini-bus
1st Stop: State Department
2nd Stop: UNEP*

RT GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Maria, Ioan, Roberto

09h00 - 11h00 Meetings at State Department (tbc)

S&D Chair: Adrian Severin

Venue: 2201 C Street NW

RT GROUP 2: Marita, Jo, Linda, Pervenche, Udo

**09h30 - 11h30 Meetings at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP),
Regional Office for North America**

Chair: **Amy Fraenkel**, Regional Director

Venue: 900 17th Street, N.W., Suite 5066 (5th Floor)

Departure RT Group 1: 11h00 State Department

Departure RT Group 2: 11h30 UNEP

RT GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Maria, Ioan, Roberto

**12h00 - 13h30 Lunch Roundtable discussion on "New Transatlantic Partnership"
at the Bertelsmann Foundation**

S&D Chair: Hannes Swoboda, Introduction: Ioan Pascu

Moderator: **Laurie Dundon**, Director, Transatlantic Relations

Heather Hurlburt, Executive Director, National Security Network, **Michael Signer**, Attorney, Principal, Truman National Security Project, **Ken Gude**, Associate Director of International Rights and Responsibility Program, Center for American Progress, **John Glenn**, Policy Director, US Global Leadership Coalition

Venue: 1101 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 901

RT GROUP 2: Marita, Jo, Linda, Pervenche, Udo

**12h00 - 13h30 Lunch Roundtable discussion on "Climate Change and
Copenhagen" at the Bertelsmann Foundation**

Moderator: **Ting Xu**, Senior Project manager, Global Project

Paul Bodnar, Foreign Affairs Officer, Negotiator at UNFCCC Conference, US Department of State, **Ana Unruh Cohen**, Deputy Staff Director, Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, US House of Representatives, **Mckie Campbell**, Republican Staff Director, Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, **Margrete Strand Rangnes**, Director, Bleu Green Alliance, **Phyllis Genter Yoshida**, Deputy Assistant Secretary, US Department of Energy, **Corinne Figueredo**, Head Cleaner Technologies, Sustainability, Business Innovation, World Bank Group, **Mark Lambrides**, Division Chief, Energy and Climate Change, Organization of American States, **Robert M. Simon**, Staff Director, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, **Ahsha Tribble**, Chief, Climate Change Division, NOAA, US Department of Commerce, **Stephen Ward**, Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Bingaman

Location: 1101 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 901

13h30

Departure by mini-bus to Congress

14h30 - 15h45

Roundtable discussion on Environmental Policy with Chairman John B. Larson and Democratic Caucus Members

(**Edward Markey**, Chair Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, Chair Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, **Howard Berman**, Chair Foreign Affairs Committee, **Robert Wexler**, Chair Subcommittee on Europe, **William Delahunt**, Chair Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, **Eliot Engel**, Chair Congressional Caucus on the European Union, **Brian Baird**, Chair World Economic Caucus, **Jay Inslee**, Chair Sustainable Energy an Environment Coalition, **John Tierney**, Chair Congressional Caucus on Green Jobs, **John Tanner**, President NATO PA, **Earl Blumenauer**, Committee on Energy Dependence and Global Warming, **Linda Sanchez**, Committee on Ways and Means, and **Joe Courtney**, Committee on Education and Labor)

Venue: 202A Canon House Office Building

16h00 - 17h30 ***BILATERAL MEETINGS IN CONGRESS, SPLIT OF DELEGATION***

GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Ioan, Roberto

16h00 **Meeting with Senator Benjamin Cardin, Co-Chairman Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee & Alcee Hastings, Co-Chairman Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, Vice-Chairman United States House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**
Venue: 509 Senate Hart Building

tbc **Meeting with Ike Skelton, Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee**

GROUP 2: Maria, Pervenche, Udo

tbc **Meeting with Rep. Ruben Hinojosa, Committee on Education and Labor, Chairman of its Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness, Committee on Financial Services**
Venue: 2463 Rayburn House Office Building

16h00 - 16h30 **Meeting with Rep. Sander Levin, Committee on Ways and Means, Chairman of its subcommittee on Trade**
S&D Chair: Maria Badia i Cutchet, Expert: Pervenche Beres
Venue: 1236 Longworth House Office Building
Contact: Monica Chrzaszcz, Tel.: +1 202 225 4961

16h30 - 17h00 **Meeting with Rep. Mike Michaud, Committee on Small Business, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**
Venue: 1724 Longworth House office Building

GROUP 3: Marita, Jo, Linda

16h00 - 16h30 **Meeting with Rep. Linda Sanchez, Committee on Ways and Means, Committee on the Judiciary**
Venue: 1222 Longworth House Office Building
Contact: Ruth Carnegie, Tel.: +1 202 226 1012

17h15 *Mini-bus departs in front of Longworth Building, Independence Avenue side*

18h00 - 19h00 **Round table at the Center for American Progress on Climate Change (tbc)**

20h00 - 22h00 **Dinner hosted by S&D Group on "Building Progressive Transatlantic Politics"**
Venue: Restaurant Hotel Palomar

Keynote speakers: **John Podesta** (tbc) (Director, Center for American Progress) and **Doug Sosnik** (Political strategist, former Political Director for President Bill Clinton)

Including other guests

Venue: Restaurant Hotel Palomar

Friday October 30

07h00 *Breakfast meeting RT GROUP 2*
07h20 *Departure by mini-bus from Hotel Palomar, RT GROUP 2*

08h00 *Breakfast meeting RT GROUP 1*
08h30 *Departure by mini-bus from Hotel Palomar, RT GROUP 1*

RT GROUP 1: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Maria, Ioan, Roberto

09h00 - 10h30 **Round Table on Energy Security at the Atlantic Council, Eurasia Center**

Chair: **Dr. Boyko Nitzov**, Director of the Eurasia Energy Center of the Atlantic Council

Panel: **Damon Silvers**, Associate General Counsel, AFL-CIO, **Gordon McDonald**, Manager, Pew Project on Financial reform, **Heather Booth**, Executive Director, Americans for Financial Reform

Venue: 1101 15th Street, 11th Floor

11h00 - 12h00 **Meeting at the National Democratic Institute**

Ken Wollack, President NDI, **Robert Benjamin**, Regional Director Central and Eastern Europe Programmes, and a **Senior Member of the Eurasia Programme**

Venue: 2030 M Street NW 5th Floor

14h00 - 15h00 **Roundtable discussion on Nuclear Proliferation at Carnegie Endowment for International Peace**

Chair: **James Acton**, Associate of the Nonproliferation Program at Carnegie

Venue: Butler Room, 1779 Massachusetts Ave. NW

RT GROUP 2: Marita, Jo, Linda, Pervenche, Udo

08h00 - 08h30 **Meeting with Rep. Barney Frank, Chairman Financial Services Committee**
Venue: 2219 Rayburn House Office Building (2nd Floor, Financial Services Committee Room)

09h00 - 10h30 **Round Table on Financial Crisis at the Raben Group**
Moderator: **M. Raben**, President of the Raben Group
Damon Silvers, Americans for Financial Reform, **Charles Taylor**, Pew Project on Financial Reform
Venue: Mr. Raben's home - 213 E Street N.E. (close to Union Station)

11h30 - 12h15 **Meeting with Sandra Polaski, Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs at the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB)**
Venue: ILAB, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW Room C-4325

12h30 - 14h00 **Lunch Roundtable discussion on "Impact of the Financial Crisis on Trade, Environmental Goods, FTAs and social/environmental norms" (tbc)**
Moderator: **David Weiner**, Deputy Assistant for Europe
Venue: 600 17th Street N.W.

14h00 *Departure by mini-bus to Hotel Palomar*

End of programme

New York:

MEPs: Adrian, Hannes, Maria, Jo, Ioan, Roberto
Staff: Herwig, Kati

Washington:

Bilateral meetings in Congress:

Group 1: Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence

MEPs: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Ioan, Roberto
Staff: Kati

Group 2: Financial Crisis, Trade and Labour

MEPs: Maria, Pervenche, Udo
Staff: Emmanuelle

Group 3: Climate Change

MEPs: Marita, Jo, Linda
Staff: Herwig

Roundtables:

RT Group 1: Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence

MEPs: Adrian, Hannes, Véronique, Maria, Ioan, Roberto
Staff: Herwig, Kati

RT Group 2: Climate Change, Financial Crisis, Trade and Labour

MEPs: Marita, Jo, Linda, Pervenche, Udo
Staff: Emmanuelle

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