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The 3242nd session of the Council of the European Union - **COMPETITIVENESS** (Internal market, Industry, Research, Space) - will take place on 29 (10.00) and 30 (9.30) May 2013, in the Justus Lipsius Building, Brussels, under the chair of Mr **Richard BRUTON**, Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation and Mr **Seán SHERLOCK**, Minister for Research and Innovation, of Ireland.

The following points will be discussed at this session:

### **WEDNESDAY 29 MAY (10.00)**

#### **INTERNAL MARKET AND INDUSTRY**

- Auditing
  - (a) Proposal for a Regulation on specific requirements regarding statutory audit of public-interest entities
  - (b) Proposal for a Directive amending Directive 2006/43/EC on statutory audits of annual accounts and consolidated accounts
    - Progress report*
    - Orientation debate (public session)*
  
- State Aid Modernisation
  - (a) Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation 659/1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Article 93 of the EC Treaty ("Procedural Regulation")
  - (b) Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation 994/98 on the application of Articles 92 and 93 of the Treaty establishing the European Community to certain categories of horizontal State aid and Regulation 1370/2007 on public passenger transport services by rail and by road ("Enabling Regulation")
    - General approach (public session)*
  
- Modernization of EU Copyright Law
  - (a) Communication on "Content in the Digital Single Market"
    - Information from the Commission on state of play*
  - (b) Recommendations on Private Copying and Reprography Levies
    - Presentation of report by Mr António Vitorino*
    - Exchange of views (public session)*
  
- Industrial Policy
  - Information from the Commission and the Presidency (public session)*
  
- Single Market Act I and II
  - State of play*
  
- Smart Regulation
  - Adoption of conclusions*

## **THURSDAY 30 MAY (9.30)**

### **SPACE**

- EU Space Industrial Policy: Releasing the potential for economic growth in the Space sector  
*Adoption of conclusions*
- Proposal for a Decision for establishing a Space Surveillance and Tracking support programme  
*Progress report (public session)*

### **RESEARCH**

- Horizon 2020: The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)
  - (a) Proposal for a Regulation establishing Horizon 2020
  - (b) Proposal for a Regulation laying down the rules for participation and dissemination in Horizon 2020  
*State of play (public session)*
- Joint Programming  
*Policy debate*
- High Performance Computing: Europe's place in a Global Race  
*Adoption of conclusions*
- EU international cooperation in research and innovation: A strategic approach  
*Adoption of conclusions*
- Advisory work for the European Research Area  
*Adoption of resolution*

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### **Press conferences:**

*Internal Market and Industry: Wednesday 29/5 at the end of the meeting*  
*Research and Innovation and Space: Thursday 30/5 at the end of the meeting*

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