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24.11.2010 Secretary General Thorbjørn Jagland meets European Parliament President, Jerzy Buzek

Date: 25 November

Location: Strasbourg, European Parliament, Presidential Office (LOW, 15th floor, room T1 5003).

News: Secretary General Thorbjørn Jagland will meet European Parliament President, Jerzy Buzek in order to discuss a series of issues including accession of the European Union to the Human Rights Convention, in addition to further co-operation between the two European organisations.

Background information: The European Union is the most important partner of the Council of Europe: 180 <u>joint-projects</u> in the field of democracy, culture, education, and human rights have been implemented in the last 15 years in the 47 member states of the Council of Europe.

Previous CoE-EU meetings: Secretary General Thorbjørn Jagland has already met with the President of the European Council, Herman Van Rompuy; with the President of the European Commission, José Manuel Durão Barroso; with the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Catherine Ashton.

More information

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