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Challenges facing road hauliers in the internal market

19 March 2009, 09: 30 – 13: 00

European Economic and Social Committee – Room VMA 3
Van Maerlant Building, 2, rue Van Maerlant, Brussels

Program

09: 30 **Registration and Coffee**

10: 00 **Opening and welcome**

Francesco Del Boca, *UETR President*

László Ágai, *UETR Secretary General*

Staffan Nilsson, *President of Group III, European Economic and Social Committee*

Moderator: László Ágai, *UETR Secretary General*

10: 15 **Keynote speech**

Antonio Tajani, *Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for Transport Policy*

10: 35 **UETR Policy Position on Road Transport**

Marco Digioia, *UETR Deputy Secretary General*

11: 00 **Comments by national transport SME federations- round table (first part)**

- Mauro Strobino, *CNA FITA (Italy) Presidency*
- Mauro Peruzzi Squarcia, *Confartigianato Trasporti (Italy) Vice President*
- Julio Villaescusa Izquierdo, *Fenadismar (Spain) President*
- Elek Földi, *NIT Hungary (Hungary) President*

Questions and answers from the floor

11: 30 **The point of view of the European Economic and Social Committee**



Hubert Ghigonis, Claudio Cappellini
Section for Transport, Energy, Infrastructure and the Information Society (TEN)
ECOSOC

11: 45 Discussion and questions by MEPS

Saïd El Khadraoui, MEP, rapporteur on the revision of the Eurovignette Directive

Chair: Lode Verkinderen, *UETR Deputy Secretary General*

12: 20 Comments by national transport SME federations- round table (second part)

- Andrej Klobasa, *OZS (Slovenia) Transport Section President*
- Lode Verkinderen, *SAV (Belgium) Secretary General*
- Catherine Pons, *Unostra (France) President*
- Michaël Reul, *UPTR (Belgium) Secretary General*

Questions and answers from the floor

12: 45 Presentation of the study "Transport costs in the Internal Market"

Prof. Rocco Giordano, University of Salerno

13: 00 Closing Remarks

Francesco Del Boca, *UETR President*

Lunch buffet

Interpretation will be available in English, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch (Flemish), Hungarian and Slovenian

