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The European election night 7 June 2009 in Brussels

A wide range of facilities will be available for the audiovisual media wanting to cover the European election night on **7th June 2009** and in the preceding days. The European Parliament invites you to contact the Audiovisual Unit as soon as possible to make sure we can meet your requirements.

Most of the activity that evening and night will be concentrated on the third floor of the ASP and PHS buildings and the bridge between them. Technical facilities, debates co-organised by the EP and an interactive press conference at 23.30 in the chamber with the EP President and leaders of the political groups as results are released.

19 MAY 2009

TV and radio journalists are welcome to join us for a tour on Tuesday 19 May from 16.00 pm, to locate and identify work areas for broadcasters as space is limited. This will also be an opportunity for us to present all the locations of stand up positions, editing cabins and EBU MCR desk locations in the building and on the third floor. Please confirm by e-mail if you will come.

If you cannot make it that day, alternative options can be arranged.

7 JUNE 2009

EP Debate: "*Financial crisis and Europa quo Vadis.*" 19.30 - 21.30

From 19.30 - 21.30: Three TV debates in presence of key guest to discuss major events of the 2004-2009 term: one debate will focus on the financial market crisis, the second one on the social aspect of the economic crisis and the third one on the future of Europe. Debates will be moderated by partner TV stations. We will broadcast all debates LIVE on EbS (Europe by Satellite) and Europarl TV (EP online TV channel) in 22 official EU languages plus Arabic and Russian so TV stations can pick up what they want. The list of confirmed guests will be released very soon.

RESULTS

The election results will be available in three formats

1- Broadcast quality format on Europe by Satellite as video sequences of animated graphics

(Available on 7 June from 22h00 - main results and turnouts)

2- Web format on www.elections2009-results.eu (this web site will be operational on 7 June from 18h00 to be confirmed)

3- XML format on www.elections2009-results.eu (this XML format is being defined by the EP - please contact the address below for more information)

TV Stations wishing to have real time access to the raw data in order to produce their own graphics should register via e-mail to Stephane Rigaud
Stephane Rigaud:

: stephane.rigaud@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 284 45 43

Hemicycle / Chamber

A giant screen will be installed in the hemicycle (60 m by 4.50m).

During the afternoon, EbS will broadcast news and summaries on that screen as well the early evening TV debates on that screen.

EbS will also release information such as participation rates around 21.30 pm,.

Press conference with the president and leaders of political groups from 23.00 pm

The Audiovisual Unit will organise a live multiplex link with some leaders of political groups in their respective cities and some others present in Brussels. Journalists present in the Chamber will have the opportunity to get the reactions from the President of the European Parliament and of group leaders to the first results. The press conference will be broadcasted LIVE on EbS and Europarl TV in 22 languages.

ACCREDITATIONS

TV and radio stations and photographers coming to Brussels from the 4th of June to the 8th of June should send an e-mail to Kirsten van Kampen to register. The usual procedures will be applied for accreditation.

Contact: Kirsten van Kampen

: kirsten.vankampen@europarl.europa.eu

: avaccreditations@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 284 48 17 (BRU) : + 32 498 98 35 44

COORDINATION

The Hotline-Newsdesk and the Press Room Unit will set up shop in front of the Chamber to assist, help and brief journalists.

Press room release

The Hotline-Newsdesk team will coordinate the information briefing of AV media on the available facilities, schedule updates on Ebs coverage, and programme time-table as well as relevant information coming from national capitals which journalists may need during the night. We will also as the date approaches have a clear idea of who

will be in the European Parliament that evening among the special guests and MEPs for your interviews.

Contact: Eliana Dritsas

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EbS

A week before the election, the EbS schedule will be online with a clear timetable for all news summaries and LIVE coverage of that night.

Europe by Satellite - Ebs

: Contact: Elena Espejo-Verdu

: elena.espejo@europarl.europa.eu

: ebs-ep@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 283 2064 (BRU) : + 32 498 98 35 21

EBU MCR coordination

EBU will set up its planning and MCR room close to the lobby set (VoxBox area, ASP building).

It will be clearly signposted on the night.

Live stand up services will **be provided by EBU**. So please contact them as soon as you have an idea of your requirements.

More information is available at the link:

<http://www.eurovision.net/ops/europarlex.php>.

SNG Cars

TV Stations coming with their own SNG car should contact Denis Luxen to make a reservation.

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LOCATION OF STAND UP POSITIONS AND CABINS

2nd floor PHS-ASP buildings:

- 20 work cabins for the AV media will be set up with access to pool feed, a phone line and SDSL connexion. Reservations should be made with TV bookings and will be attributed on a first come first served basis.
- Space available for independent stand up positions

Hemicycle/Chamber:

- Stand up positions for EBU clients
- Space available for independent stand up positions

3rd floor PHS-ASP buildings:

- Stand up positions for EBU clients

3rd floor ASP-JAN Building: bridge overlooking the place du Luxembourg entrance.

- Space available for independent stand up positions

Outside in the courtyard and place du Luxembourg: Two outdoor screens will be installed in the courtyard and on the Place du Luxembourg.

The buildings of the European Parliament will be lit especially for the occasion. A riser will be installed allowing:

- Stand up positions for EBU clients
- Independent stand up positions

A map of all facilities, stand up positions, cabins, TV and radio studios and relevant planning desk is available on request by e-mail to hotlinenewsdesk.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS & TV BOOKINGS

Please address your requests regarding facilities to TV Bookings or Eugénie Den Hertog

: johanna.denhertog@europarl.europa.eu

: tvbookings@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 284 20 10 (BRU) : + 32 498 98 35 20

RADIO BOOKINGS

Radio facilities: Please address your requests concerning our radio facilities and any other special request (studios, Vox Box, editing, ISDN connections, etc.) to:

: pascal.godart@europarl.europa.eu

: radiobookings@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 284 44 01 (BRU) : + 32 498 98 35 74

: robert.sermek@europarl.europa.eu : +32 2 284 28 24

PHOTO

The photo service will organise photo coverage from the 4 to the 8 of June, inside and outside the Parliament. On the election night, photographers will cover all events, debates and press conference.

All pictures will be available on their web site as soon as possible. If you are a new users, register and create your own password to access all pictures, low and high resolution. Copy rights free.

www.photo-service.europarl.europa.eu

Any inquiries concerning photo coverage should be addressed to:

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