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Weekly preview of the Greens/EFA group - 25-28 March 2013

EP priorities (full text below):

- **Aviation and the emissions trading scheme (environment committee vote, Tues. - poss.)**
- **Ship recycling and EU rules (environment committee vote, Tues.)**

Other EU priorities:

- **EU climate and energy policy to 2030 (Commission proposal, Weds.)**

Other EU priorities:

- **World Social Forum - Green delegation (Tues. - Sat.)**
- **Document freedom day (conference, Weds.)**
- **Prisoners the key to the Basque peace process (conference, Weds.)**

Aviation and the emissions trading scheme

Tues. 26 Mar. – Environment committee vote (possible)

An agreement on proposals to freeze the planned inclusion of non-intra EU flights as part of the inclusion of aviation in the EU's emissions trading scheme is set to be confirmed by the EP's environment committee. The Greens have expressed regret at the freeze and underlined that it could only be justified if it is used to make progress on the issue regulating aviation emissions at international level. Unfortunately the trialogue agreement fails to deliver this and will fail to ensure emissions trading revenues are earmarked for global climate aid.

Ship recycling and EU rules

Tues. 26 Mar. – Environment committee vote (**Schlyter** report)

Draft new EU legislation on the recycling of ships will be voted on by the EP environment committee. Currently, most ships are scrapped on beaches in South-East Asia under unacceptable conditions for human health and the environment, circumventing applicable rules that ban the export of hazardous waste from the EU to non-OECD countries. Green MEP and EP draftsperson Carl Schlyter wants to put an end to this practice by establishing a financial instrument that would steer ships that trade with the EU into proper ship recycling facilities.

EU climate and energy policy to 2030

Weds. 27 Mar. – European Commission proposal

The Commission is set to present proposals on EU climate and energy policy up to 2030. The EU's 2020 targets have proved a crucial element of its climate and energy policy and there is a need to ensure this can be continued. This means

adopting binding targets for 2030, the next milestone, to ensure our climate and energy objectives are met and to provide security for investors. This implies an ambitious binding 2030 greenhouse gas reduction target that continues the path towards an 80-95% reduction by 2050. It also means adopting a 2030 binding renewable energy target (of 45%) to build on the success of the 2020 target.

World Social Forum - Green delegation

Tues. - Sat. 26-30 Mar. – Tunis

A delegation of Green MEPs will attend the World Social Forum in Tunis.

Document freedom day

Weds. 27 Mar. – Conference - European Parliament, Room ASP 1G3 - 9-13.00

Public conference marking the third document freedom day. (click for [more information](#))

Prisoners the key to the Basque peace process

Weds. 27 Mar. – Conference - European Parliament, Room ASP 1G3 - 16.30-19.00

Conference on prisoners in the context of the Basque peace process. (click for [more information](#))