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The 2866th session of the Council of the European Union - **ECONOMIC and FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** - will take place on 14 May 2008 (10.00), in the Justus Lipsius Building, Brussels, under the Presidency of **Mr Andrej BAJUK**, Minister for Finance of Slovenia.

The following points will be discussed at this session:

- Quality of Public Finances: Efficiency of Public Expenditure on Social Transfers and Education
= *Council Conclusions*
- Western Balkans Investment Framework
= *Council Conclusions*
- Financial Services
 - Financial Stability Arrangements: Supervision, including an Update of the Roadmaps
= *Council Conclusions*
 - Communication on Financial Education
= *Council Conclusions*
 - White Paper on Mortgage Credits
= *Council Conclusions*
- Dialogues with Third Countries: Economic and Financial Issues
 - Orientation Debate
- Taxation
 - Indirect Taxation: Fight against Tax Fraud
 - Oral Report by the Commission on Conventional Measures
 - *Council Conclusions* on VAT Fraud
 - Savings Taxation
 - Informal Report from the Commission

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- Strategy for the Evolution of the Customs Union
= *Council Conclusions*

- Preliminary Draft General Budget 2009
= Presentation by the Commission

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In the margins of the Council:

Tuesday 13 May

17 h.00: Eurogroup

Wednesday 14 May

09 h.00: Meeting with Candidate Countries

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Press conferences:

- after the Eurogroup meeting (*Tuesday, as from 20.00*);
- at the end of the Council, before lunch (*Wednesday, as from 13.00*).

Public events that can be followed by video streaming:

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