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**White, David**

14/10/1947 Belfast [Northern Ireland]

Parallel names:White, D.M.

Other names:DW

David White of British nationality, is a native of Northern Ireland. Born in 1947, he is married with three children..After reading economics and politics at the Universities of Belfast, Manchester and London, he began his career in the UK Government Economic Service, where he worked on problems of employment, inflation and economic forecasting. In 1974 he moved to work with the European Commission where he occupied a number of posts. These have included responsibilities in employment policy and coordination of legislation on budgetary, internal market, environmental and transport policy matters. From 1985-87 he was a Member of the Cabinet of Commission President Jacques Delors, responsible for budgetary and Parliamentary matters. Since 1987, he was Head of the Public Procurement Policy Unit a position he held until 1993. From 1994 to 1999 White was Head of Unit for Regulatory Policy in DG III. He was subsequently made Director first for Enterprise Policy (2000 - 2004), then for Innovation policy (2005 - 2006) and lastly for Lifelong Learning (2007 - 2008). He retired from the European Commission in 2008. From 2009 until the present he is Honorary Director General of the European Commission and simultaneously is a researcher at the Catholic University of Leuven.

**David White Papers***Documents from 1972 to 2008*

Files from the various posts which David White held in the European Commission. Aside from his time at the Secretariat General and in the Delors Cabinet, White did a remarkable amount of work as Head of the Public Procurement Policy Unit. During his time as head, a major legislative programme was prepared and implemented, with a view to achieving a single market in public procurement in the European Community. Directives had been adopted covering the procurement of supplies, works and services by the public authorities and by the utilities operating in the telecommunications, energy, transport and water sectors, along with provisions to ensure that bidder's rights would be respected. Furthermore, the Community rules were extended to cover the EFTA countries under the EEA Agreement. In parallel with the Uruguay Round, negotiations were undertaken with a view to opening up procurement between Europe, North America and Japan in the context of the GATT Government Procurement Agreement.

The Unit did not neglect to lay the basis of policy development for the future, for programmes of standardisation, statistical development, aid to the SME's and exploitation of information technology.

White reiterates that the work was a team effort in the widest sense of the word. The statistics of the Unit's consultations and discussions are evident to see in the papers of White.

Material concerning David White's career in the European Commission

Notes/remarks: Many thanks to David White who provided invaluable notes which provided the backdrop for his archival papers.

Access level: Open Document, Open Description


Chrono - DG V (Employment and Social Affairs) and General Secretariat

Documents from 1972 to 1984

The chrono files contain notes that David White wrote or concern topics on which he intervened substantially within the Commission. White was involved in fields of work that came under Coreper I. In particular, he reported on the budgetary debates in Council during the Thatcher campaign for UK "get our money back" and on the "super councils" of agriculture, budget and economic ministers that met in an attempt to move the debate forwards. On some of these occasions, advisers were excluded from the meetings and apart from the Commissioner, White was the only person present for the Commission. These files relate to David White's time when he worked in employment policy in DG V and in the General Secretariat, when he reported to the Commission on meetings of Coreper and of the Council. White was under the authority of the Directors of the General Secretariat, first of Henri Etienne (under the Vice-President of the Commission, Baron Tudendhat) then of Antonio Marchini Camia and later (of Paolo Ponzano as a colleague). Although many of the notes are signed by the above individuals and issued under their authority, their drafting was the responsibility of White.

Size: 5 files

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-1** 12/07/1972 - 15/03/1982


Chrono 1972 - 1982

Notes in which White asks various experts in his department to prepare fiches on the progress of issues of the day such as the computer industry, education, social policy and the economics of innovation, employment and energy policy, includes: Paper on F.A. von Hayek's (international economist) economic theory; Study by White on Cost-benefits of the employment service; Paper by White setting out the options for the Concorde; Commission expert group report on inflation and unemployment (various drafts and outline); Report of meeting of Group of Directors General of Employment and Employment Agencies "Prospects for Employment 1980-85"; Report by the Commission "Employment, Unemployment and the Community Workforce – Situation and Developments 1960-80"; Proposal by the Lancaster Centre for macro economic research to the Social Science Research Council for support of its first phase development programme; Commission DG V reports on activity – "Trends in Employment: Forecasting and Analysis", "The Use of Employment and Unemployment Statistics in Social Policy", report on activity 1975-1980 – "Programme of Research and Actions on the Development of the Labour Market" with annex – studies carried out under the programme; Summary reports of Inter-DG co-ordinating Group on Prospects until 1990; Documents concerning discussions with Ireland on the implementation of the Anti-discrimination (pay) Act with commentary on the views of the Irish government, the employer organisations and the Irish trade unions, report of meeting with officials of the Council on the status of women, main points in the meeting between Irish Government officials and Commission representatives on equal pay application in the transition period and issue of derogation; Note on economic background to the oil cuts for UK economy

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-2** 19/07/1982 - 29/07/1983


Chrono 1982 - 1983 VII - XII

Notes for members of the Commission, memos and reports on budget matters for 1983 and 1984, employment prospects to 1986 and inflation, includes: Report of meeting between the Budget Council and a delegation from the European Parliament on the signing of the Tripartite Declaration for improved institutional cooperation; Reports of meetings of the "Budget Council"; Proposal for a Council regulation amending the staff regulation (social and family measures); User guide to the Jenkins system (Gwilym Jenkins and Partners Ltd.) for forecasting employment; Note by White to Emile Noël, Secretary-General of the European Commission regarding the draft conclusions of the Danish Presidency with regard to employment and social affairs; Memos for members of the Commission of the Joint Council of ECO/Fin, Labour and Social Affairs Ministers on overview of the unemployment situation in the Community and to promote a common understanding of the economic and social situation facing the Community; Notes on draft directive on asbestos, training in new information technology, social fund activities, non-life insurance, environment – baby seals, internal market, VAT own-resources, re-establishment of economic stability, part-time and temporary work, flexible retirement, budgets for 1983 and 1984, financial and budgetary implications of the agricultural price proposals; Note for Henri Etienne (Director of the Secretariat General), concerning the reestablishment of economic stability, measures on the labour market, innovation, research and energy and the reinforcement of the Common Market

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-3** 06/09/1983 - 22/12/1983

Chrono 1983 VII - XII

Records from meetings of Social Affairs Committee, Environment Committee, Budget Council, standing Employment Committee and reports of meeting of the Permanent Representatives Committee, includes: Notes for M. Henri Etienne (Director of the General Secretariat) on the reform of the European Social Fund and conciliation with the Parliament, pollution of the North Sea, social security; Memos for members of the Commission on summary record of the General community budget 1984; Note for the file by Etienne on Convention on harmonised commodity description and coding system; Summary record of meetings of the Special Council 1983 on the future financing of

the Community, procedure and new policies; Summary record of the Preparatory Group (GUP) on financial guidelines for agricultural expenditure; Information briefs on agricultural policy, future financial resources of the Community, structural funds, conciliation meeting between the Budget Council and the delegation of the EP; Memos from Etienne for members of the Commission (Meetings of the Permanent Representative Committee) on the banning on the import of the skins of baby seals, excise duties on tobacco; proposed decision authorising France to apply reduced rate of excise to traditional rum from the Overseas Territories; Proposal for a council directive on atmospheric pollution from industrial plants, civil liability for motor vehicles, dangerous wastes, Community action on the Environment (ACE), transfrontier shipment of hazardous waste, employment of young people, environmental impact assessment, mercury discharges; GATT (safeguard clause), general budget 1984, directive vat, consumer protection; Document on the "Exécution de la procédure budgétaire (Budgets 1979-1982); Briefing paper on Crises in the adoption of the Community budget : 1979 – Conflict between the scale of the NCE and the Maximum Rate; Summary record of the 5th meeting of the Single Preparatory Group (GUP) on structural funds and the future financing of the Community; Information note on future finance of the Community; Information note "La Communauté et la lutte contre le chômage"; Note "orientations possibles pour un renforcement de la budgétaire"; Memo for members of the Commission on civil liability insurance for motor vehicles

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-4 06/01/1984 - 30/05/1984

Chrono 1984 I - V

File concerning activities of David White in the role of principal administrator in the General Secretariat on the environment, budgetary discipline, fisheries questions, financial assistance to Greece, preparation of the internal market council 8 March 1984, contributions to the World Food Programme, social issues facing women, duty free imports in international travel and double taxation, includes: Briefing note on the environment and consumer protection sectors and outstanding Commission proposals and council priorities; Briefing note entitled "Tax Sector - Outstanding Commission proposals"; Memo for members of the Commission on regulation on the apportionment between the Community and member states of cereal aid under the Food Aid Convention; Note for Henri Etienne, Director of General Secretariat on environmental impact assessment - coverage of nuclear power stations and reactors and transfrontier effects: Note to Etienne from White on actions in favour of the citizen and youth employment; Memo for the members of the Commission on the regulation of transfrontier shipments of hazardous waste, atmospheric pollution from industrial plants, regulation on action by the Community on the environment (ACE); Proposal for a council decision on the conclusion of the convention between the Community and the UNRWA concerning aid to refugees in the Near East; Note on the draft response to the UN questionnaire on the decade for Women; Short biography of Dirk Peter Spiereburg, first Vice-President of the ECSC; Draft letter from Gaston Thorn, President of the Commission to the President of the EP commenting on the new Commission proposal for coking coal; Note from Emile Noël on the preparations for the Irish presidency

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-5 04/06/1984 - 30/10/1984

Chrono 1984 VI - X

Documents concerning the COREPER conciliation process, preparation of the European Council, export credits, fisheries' relations with the USA and financial, budgetary and administrative questions, includes: Summary records of meetings of Council (Education) and of the Ministers of Educations at the Council concerning teaching in the face of demographic change and new economic and social conditions; Records of meetings of the Council (Employment and Social Affairs) on local employment initiatives, unemployment amongst women, promotion and development of a European programme; Memo for the members of the Commission on the proposal for a regulation introducing measures to cover the budgetary requirements in 1984; Briefing note on the achievements of the French Presidency; Aide-memoire of the Commission Representative on emergency aid in favour of disaster victims - Salvador, Guatemala and Nicaragua; Memo by Emile Noël, Secretary-General on priority tasks for the Community in 1984 under the Irish Presidency; Note on the conciliation meeting with the EP and the publication of the common declaration agreed during the meeting on the Regional Fund; Address by Henri Etienne (Coreper) at the end of M. Vidal's Presidency and the end of H. Etienne's mandate at Coreper; Memo on visit of Jacques Delors to London; Recommendation for a decision authorising the Commission to negotiate a multinational convention for administrative assistance in fiscal matters within the Council of Europe; Briefing for Mr Delors' visit to Germany; Note on pre-accession aid to Spain

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



Chrono - Cabinet of President Jacques Delors (Delors I)

Documents from 1984 to 1987

The chrono files are composed of notes that White wrote or on matters on which he intervened substantially. The papers refer in particular to his fields of responsibility: budget and financial control, budgetary aspects of the CAP in particular and perhaps the most interesting of all - clearance of accounts, fisheries policy, energy including the Tchernobyl accident, relations with the European Parliament and the Anglo-Irish Agreement. There are some interesting notes about efforts to prepare constructively for the visit of Bob Geldof to the EP - and a draft letter to the Bulletin, pointing out that the


Commission had executed a food relief programme 10 times the total of that achieved by Geldof thereby refuting the criticism that the EC did nothing to aid a famine ravaged Ethiopia.

Six chrono files concerning the period when David White was a member of the cabinet of President Jacques Delors. The most substantial work was done from 1985 - 1987.

Notes for the period until end-February include issues such as: budgetary procedure, the clearance of agricultural accounts despite difficulties concerning a Greek issue, fisheries, funding for Northern Ireland after the Anglo-Irish Agreement, problems with EIB projects which had infringed the public procurement legislation. There is also some material concerning the "GRV", the "grande rendez-vous" as President Delors called it, of the institutions and Member States on the budgetary package then in preparation.

Size: 6 files

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-6** 05/11/1984 - 01/04/1985


Chrono 1984 - 85 XI - IV

File mainly comprising notes for the attention of Pascal Lamy, Chef du Cabinet Delors on activities concerning the Fountainbleau European Council, budget discipline, export credits, records of meetings on budget and financial affairs and on fisheries and law of the sea, enlargement, reinforcement of financial controls, energy - aide mémoires of Cabinet meetings, includes: Memo on visit of Mr Delors to the Hague; Note to M. Noël from White concerning his acceptance of M. Delors' offer that he join his Cabinet with responsibility for budgetary affairs; File note on the role of the Task Force on coordinating structural funds; Document on Community priorities under the Italian Presidency; Copy of letter from Delors to Edward Heath on his appointment as President of the Commission; Notes on Delors' meetings on budget; Note on principle outstanding issues of energy policy by Mr Audland; Note concerning Northern Ireland and the re-establishment of the ad hoc group of Commissioners interested in Northern Ireland; Note for Delors and Lamy on Fisheries agreement with Greenland; Note for the President via M. Lamy on common fisheries policy and enlargement; Memo to Lamy and Delors on financial aspects of the updated Integrated Mediterranean programmes designed to assist those areas in meeting the consequences of enlargement through integrated development programmes; Working document on Budgetary Gap 1985; Note for Lamy and Delors on the financial modalities of transition: Spain and Portugal; Note of meeting between Delors and Président Pflimlin, 12 March 1985 on biotechnology, supermarkets, transport policy and social affairs; Financial procedures for the transition for Portugal and Spain

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-7** 11/04/1985 - 30/09/1985


Chrono 1985 V - IX

Primarily a file concerning budget material (preliminary draft budget and budgetary discipline) – credits pour les fonds structurels, clearance of agricultural accounts 1980-81: meetings, activities or items dealt with: new community energy objectives, financial management, safety of fishing vessels, preparation and follow-up of parliamentary session, coal aids regime, includes: Note for President Delors via M. Lamy (Chef du Cabinet Delors), "exportation vers l'Israel d'urnaium appauvri – l'affaire IMSA" ; Note for the file on Euratom/US relations ; Note for Mr Lamoureux (Member of Delors Cabinet), "over-fishing and control procedures"; Material on the Delors/Christophersen initiative on the European school in Belgium; Aide-memoire for Delors for his meeting with the Presidents of the Parliamentary Commissions on the initiatives of the Commission and the Parliament and report on meeting; Draft speech for Delors for a conference organised by the Budget Commission of the EP on the resources of the Community; EP delegation visit to the USA ; Note for the attention of M. Lamy "débats sur les droits de l'homme" – rapport de Mme Van den Heuvel; Material regarding the awarding of an honorary degree from the University of Glasgow to Delors; Note for Mr Lamy on Euratom –Chapter IV; Notes pour le Président - "Apurement des comptes Feoga – exercices 1980-81"; Note for Delors "Visite du Président Pflimlin " (President of the European Parliament) for budget discussion with EP; Note for Pascal Lamy "Problèmes de l'approvisionnement nucléaire"; Note for the President "Régime d'aides a l'industires houillère"; Note for the President – credits for Spain and Portugal in 1986 budget

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-8** 01/10/1985 - 18/02/1986

Chrono 1985 X - II

Papers on relations with the European parliament and the financing of supplementary research programmes, replies to oral questions raised in EP, organisation of various matters for attention of Delors – fisheries , agriculture, enlargement, foreign affairs, budget and financial situation, GAP, Northern Ireland – Anglo/Irish talks and the organisation of the President of the Commission's calendar, includes: Notes for Mr Lamy (Head of the President's Cabinet) on the situation in the oil market; Note for the file on meeting with Mr Lennon, budget attaché on the possible increase in the UK rebate in 1986 and increase in the FEOGA proposal (clearance of agricultural accounts); Visit to the EP of Sir Bob Geldof – food aid for Ethiopia; Draft preface of the President of the Commission for conference proceedings "Quelles ressources pour la Communauté européenne"; Aide memoire sur "l'incidence financière du 3ème élargissement" ; Briefing note on FEOGA guarantee on expenditure financial guidelines; Background note on Community adhesion to the European Convention on Human Rights; Speaking note on the Fontaine report on the harmonisation of the age of majority under civil law and the legal capacity of young people in the Community; Speaking note commenting on the Political Affairs Committee's report on human rights in the world

and Community policy on human rights with interest; Note for M. Lamy asking how does devaluation of a Community currency affect the Community budget and national contributions; Statement by Delors on behalf of the Commission congratulating the Irish and British governments on the agreement on the future of Northern Ireland and impact of Community policies and actions in Northern Ireland – meeting of an ad hoc inter cabinet group; Aide memoire for the President for meeting with Mrs Shirley Williams (President of the Social Democratic party), 12 Dec 1985; Material on compromise solution for 1986 budget (Delors writes to Pierre Pflimlin, President of the EP and President of the Council Jacques Poos - asking for Trilogue talks to resolve the situation); Note for the President "Financial guidelines for the CAP under 12"; Note on press reports on the CAP - "Exposed: the great food scandal"; Perspectives for 1987 budget

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-9 14/02/1986 - 30/05/1986

Chrono 1986 III - V

Concerning budgetary framework, structural funds, budget discipline, financial framework, fisheries inspection, economic development framework to support reconciliation in Northern Ireland; relations with the European Parliament, preparation of UK presidency and FEOGA accounts, includes: Intervention of President Delors in reply to the debate on the Commission programme 1986; Note by White on economic recovery for Northern Ireland; Note by White on CAP criticism; Note for the President of the Commission from White on the financial forecasts for 1987 - 90; Note by White on tri-partite declaration against racism and xenophobia; Report by White on the results of an inquiry into eventual frauds committed in Sicily against the Community by the Mafia; Note for the file on effect on UK rebate of the financial perspectives 1987 – 1990; Intention of Président Pflimlin (President of the European Parliament) to raise the question of the European flag with the President of the Commission in March 1986; Note by White on the Convention Européenne sur les droits de l'homme; Greek contribution to the budget 1986; Note for Mr Eeckhout, Secretariat-General from White on relations with the EP and his frustration of being unable to contact parliamentations "The peripatetic nature of that insitutions clearly poses particular problems"; Memo on the "repartition des credits d'engagement dans la perspective bugétaire pour les fonds structurels a l'horizon 1990"; Contribution of Spain and Portugal to the 1986 budget – negotiation of a guarantee agreement between Spain/Euratom/ IAEA; Letter from White on behalf of President Delors recognising the hardships and economic deprivation as a result of the situation in Northern Ireland stating tht it was not the role of the Commission to be involved in domestic disputes instead to support the idea of negotiation for peace; Letter from Delors to Pierre Pflimlin, President of the EP on the need for progress towards a healthy budget policy acceptable for all the Institutions; Memo of meeting between the President of the CRE (Comite des regions de l'Europe), Edgar Faure and his entourage with Delors on the importance of contribution from the regions to be utilised for the dynamism of the EC; Note on the follow up to Tchernobyl after urgent debate in EP, 15 May 1986; Note by White on the budgetary procedure in the event that the Court of Justice would annul the 1986 budget in its entirety

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-10 10/06/1986 - 19/12/1986

Chrono 1986 VI - XII

Correspondence, notes for the file, reports of meetings concerning progress of the Common Fisheries Policy and its enforcement, agricultural questions, situation caused by the blockade at the Port of Hendaye by Spanish fishermen, budget and renewal of budgetary procedure (all notes for file by White), aid for agriculture, GATT GAP activities, and organisation of visits by Delors, includes: Includes: Letter from Jacques Delors to M. Pierre Pflimlin, President of the European Parliament on the buying of an information office by the EP in Lisbon; Note by White on Community subsidised beef sale to Brazil; Note "Parlement Européen – activités récentes et prévisibles"; Reports of meetings between the President Delors with Ms. Lenz, President of the Commission for the Rights of Women; Judgement of the Court of Justice in Case 34/86 – Council Vs Parliament (Budget) – Reopening of the budgetary procedure; Visit by Delors to the plenary meeting of the European Democrats Group, European Parliament; Note for Pascal Lamy (Chef du Cabinet Delors) "Budget 1987 – deuxième tentative de compromise de la présidence"; Arguments in favour of finance for research and technology; Report of meeting with Irish Taoiseach on Anglo-Irish Agreement; National contributions to 1986 budget; Budgetary situation in Spain and Portugal; Preparation of plenary sessions of EP; Background notes for visits; Refusal of request by the Irish government for emergency aid for flood damage in August 1986; Copy of letter from Delors to Ken Stewart MEP concerning the problems faced by the City of Liverpool on Merseyside and the donatation of substantial EEC assistance; Meetings of trilogue (Council, EP and Commission) for the questions of classification in the 1987 budget and other questions affecting the development of the budgetary procedure; Copies of letters from Delors regarding his visit to the UK - organisation, answers to questions on the Community

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-12 05/01/1987 - 17/12/1987

Chrono 1987

Budget situation in 1986 and provisions for 1987, reports of inter-institutional trilogue meetings on budget, organisation initiatives for small and medium enterprises, three projects of the EIB: Nice airport, Venice airport and the establishment of a telecommunications network based on satellite, cooperation with the EP, public

procurement – history of negotiations, priority, proposals to Beuer Report and modifications and GATT government procurement code, outlines of speeches, includes: Note on the Community Environment Fund; Note for M. Lamy on the declaration of the President of the Commission, Delors on the organisation of Commission work for 1987; Note for the President on the Anglo-Irish agreement ; Note on overfishing of quotas in 1986; Brief on "The Delors Plan for implementing the Single European Act"; Drafts of paper on the Delors Plan ; Note on the "Buy American Act 1987 – Brooks Amendment "; Suggestion for a method to accommodate regional preferences in a public procurement regime; Speaking note for use by Lord Cockfield, EP plenary session 6-10 July 1987 on the report of Mr Beumer on the directive on public procurement (supplies); Lord Cockfield's intervention on " public procurement and the Common Economic Area"; Memorandum on the extension of Community legislation on public procurement; Note from the "Lacroix Group" - " Réussir l'Acte Unique" - UK form; Speaking note for Action Committee of Public Transport: European Community legislation on public procurement; Second modification of the proposal for a Council Directive (Coordination of procedures on the award of public supply contracts); Speaking note and defensive points for Internal Market Council Meeting on Public Procurement (supplies) Directive; Memo on the extension of Community legislation on public procurement; Draft speech for Lord Cockfield at the 2nd reading on the debate on the directive on Public Procurement (supplies): Communication of Lord Cockfield and Mr Narjes "Public Procurement: Extension of the Community Regime to the Excluded Sectors – progress report"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



Chrono - Head of Unit for Public Procurement Policy in DG III, Internal Market and Industrial Affairs

Documents from 1987 to 1994

As head of the Unit, White led the discussions and negotiations on most issues, so the papers give a personal insight into the rapidly developing work and a lot of detail about the development of proposals and the concerns addressed.

Briefings for the Councils give a detailed insight into the nature of the discussions. The file for this period contains many of the over 100 non-papers which the Commission used to progress the discussion in Council.

As the legislative programme under the White Paper advanced, the intensity of activity at the GATT Government Procurement Agreement increased. There are many notes in the files giving personal assessments of the way the negotiations were developing, the issues and tensions (also within the Commission services) until their success at the end of 1993.

Furthermore, there are notes concerning a panel complaint against the USA for breach of the GATT Government Procurement Agreement in the course of procuring a sonar mapping system for use in the Antarctic Survey. The EC won the panel, but the USA blocked adoption of the panel report.

The creation of a single integrated internal market had been envisaged from the start of the European Economic Community. Within that single market, public procurement represented a major element accounting for expenditure of some 200 billion ECU per year at government level. However, there was the tendency of the purchasing authorities to confine this procurement within their own country. This practice was a major obstacle to the creation of a home market of sufficient size to allow European industry to develop competitive structures by world-wide standards. Hence, there is a sizeable amount of material on government procurement in these files.

From May 1987 White was put in charge of the Public Procurement Policy Unit of DG III. Public procurement was one of the major issues in Commissioner Lord Cockfield's White Paper on the internal market. When White took up his position,

- the proposal for a Public Supplies Directive was in first reading negotiation,
- a proposal for a Public Works Directive had been adopted, but this was rapidly seen to be inadequate and the issue was to delay the discussions until the Commission could rethink its proposal. This it achieved with help from the EP,
- a proposal for a Directive on Remedies was planned,
- a proposal for a Directive on Procurement of Public Services was envisaged,
- the major issue was the preparation of a proposal for a Directive extending a procurement regime to the telecommunications, water, energy and transport sectors which had been excluded from earlier legislation,
- the Government Procurement Agreement of the GATT was about to become active (although not part of the Uruguay Round),
- extension of the EC regime to the EFTA.

The Commission proposal on the excluded sectors was the subject of very intensive preparation and lengthy negotiations in the EP and Council. However it failed at the Internal Market Council in December 1989 but was adopted under the Irish Presidency in February 1990.

There are many notes in the files giving personal assessments of the way negotiations were developing, the issues and tensions (including within the Commission services) until their success at the end of 1993.

Size: 11 files

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-11 05/01/1987 - 17/12/1987

Chrono 1987

Budget situation in 1986 and provisions for 1987, reports of inter-institutional trilogue meetings on budget, organisation initiatives for small and medium enterprises, three projects of the EIB: Nice airport, Venice airport and the establishment of a telecommunications network based on satellite, cooperation with the EP, public procurement – history of negotiations, priority, proposals to Beuer Report and modifications and GATT government procurement code, outlines of speeches, includes: Note on the Community Environment Fund; Note for M. Lamy (Chef du Cabinet Delors) on the declaration of the President of the Commission, Delors on the organisation of Commission's work for 1987; Note for the President on the Anglo-Irish agreement ; Note on overfishing of quotas in 1986; Brief on "The Delors Plan for implementing the Single European Act"; Drafts of paper on the Delors Plan ; Note on the "Buy American Act 1987 – Brooks Amendment "; Suggestion for a method to accommodate regional

preferences in a public procurement regime; Speaking note for use by Lord Cockfield, EP plenary session 6-10 July 1987 on the report of Mr Beumer on the directive on public procurement (supplies); Lord Cockfield's intervention on "public procurement and the Common Economic Area"; Memorandum on the extension of Community legislation on public procurement; Note from the "Lacroix Group" - "Réussir l'Acte Unique" - UK form; Speaking note for Action Committee of Public Transport: European Community legislation on public procurement; Second modification of the proposal for a Council Directive (Coordination of procedures on the award of public supply contracts); Speaking note and defensive points for Internal Market Council Meeting on Public Procurement (supplies) Directive; Memo on the extension of Community legislation on public procurement; Draft speech for Lord Cockfield at the 2nd reading on the debate on the directive on Public Procurement (supplies): Communication of Lord Cockfield and Mr Narjes "Public Procurement: extension of the Community Regime to the Excluded Sectors – progress report"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-12 14/12/1987 - 28/09/1988

Chrono 1988

Speeches, notes for the file, progress reports, information on public procurement in the excluded sectors, mission reports, seminars reports, texts of articles of directive; notes on public procurement concerning the internal market and the opening up of the issue of public procurement, includes: Intervention by David White, Head of Public Markets' Service at a conference on the theme "Marche interieur et commandes publiques au sein de la CEE"; Council directive coordinating the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of Community rules on procedures for the award of public supply and public works contracts; Memo to the European Communities' Committee of the House of Lords, sub-committee E (law and institutions) enquiring into the monitoring of public procurement contracts; Note on the opening-up of public procurement; Mission report on talks with German federal government on public procurement; Draft speaking note for use by Lord Cockfield for EP plenary session, 11-15 April 1988 on public procurement; Communication to the Commission on a community regime for preferences in public procurement; Communication from Lord Cockfield and Mr Narjes: Public procurement – Beumer report - Commission action before national tribunals; Labour law applicable to foreign contractors in public works contracts; 6th draft of communication to the Commission on a Community regime for preferences in public procurement; Outline of speech by White, Head of Service, Public Procurement Policy of the European Commission "The Single European Market: Threat or Opportunity"; Paper by David White, Can Public Markets be Prised Open?; Study on the industrial and trade aspects of the opening up of procurement in relation to principal manufacturing and service sectors

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-13 05/10/1988 - 27/04/1989

Chrono 1988

Mission reports, notes, details of meetings, letters, lectures while in DG for Internal Market and Industrial Affairs, includes: Information note on public works directive; Brief on the discussions of the informal working group on negotiations on the GATT Code on public procurement; Document on the Importance of Public-Influenced Procurement; Paper presented by D. White at the Energy Group meeting on "A Community Regime for Procurement in the Excluded Sectors: Water, Energy, Transport and Telecommunications"; Note to the members of 113 committee (Informal Group in the GATT dealing with public markets) – Extension of the GATT Agreement on Government Procurement; Information note on the problem of liberalising public procurement; Note on EC-EFTA relations on public procurement; Aide memoire for the 113 Committee: Study by the US international Trade Commission; Explanatory memorandum on Commission's position on GPA; Note "Parlement européen: adoption du rapport de la Commission économique et monétaire sur les propositions en matière de marchés publics, secteurs, transports, énergie et eau (TEE) et telecoms; Submission from the delegation of the EC to the GATT Committee on Government Procurement in reply to questions of the US Delegation concerning the statistics of procurement for 1986; Information paper on the Commission's proposals on procurement in oil and gas exploration and production; Speech for mission "The European Community and Public Purchasing – Using the European Market to increase the competition and to improve value for money"; Communication from the Commission on public procurement and economic and social cohesion; Organisational chart of the Public Procurement Policy Unit in DG III

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-14 05/05/1989 - 21/12/1989

Chrono 1989

Reports of meetings, mission reports, progress reports and texts of articles of Government Procurement Agreement (GPA), includes: Speaking note for European Parliament plenary session 22-26 May 1989: proposals for Council directives on the procurement procedures of entities in the excluded sectors; background information on the Commission's proposals on procurement in oil and gas exploration and production; Copy of "Rapport Delorozoy"; Explanatory memorandum of Commission's stance on GPA; Paper on "Marches publics: la Commission Européenne propose des mesures visant les aspects sociaux et régionaux de l'ouverture des marchés publics"; Background note for speech at EP plenary session on excluded sectors in public procurement (water, energy, transport, telecommunications); Commission speaking note on Community strategy for waste management; Non paper of the EC – GATT agreement on government procurement – future negotiation on broadening; Commission working paper

–"Système d'information sur la passation des marchés"; Note on competition and the excluded sectors; Administrative statistics on public procurement; Working paper of the services of the Commission "The exploration and extraction of oil and gas" – Proposal of a Council directive on the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors; Working paper of the services of the Commission – Thresholds for the excluded sectors; Draft non-paper of the EC: GATT agreement on government procurement : future negotiations on broadening and on services

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-15 11/01/1990 - 29/06/1990

Chrono 1990 - I

Details of technical discussions with negotiating parties on procurement particularly in regard to the GATT Agreement on government procurement, also correspondence, reports of US-EC meetings, includes: Information note on public works directive; Brief on the discussions of the informal working group on negotiations on the GATT Code on public procurement; Document on the Importance of Public-Influenced Procurement; Paper presented by D. White at the Energy Group meeting on "A Community Regime for Procurement in the Excluded Sectors: Water, Energy, Transport and Telecommunications"; Note to the members of 113 committee (Group Informel du GATT sur les marchés publics) – Extension of the GATT Agreement on Government Procurement; Information note on the problem of liberalising public procurement; Note on EC-EFTA relations on public procurement; Aide memoire for the 113 Committee: Study by the US international Trade Commission; explanatory memorandum on Commission's position on GPA; Note "Parlement européen: adoption du rapport de la Commission économique et monétaire sur les propositions en matière de marchés publics, secteurs, transports, énergie et eau (TEE) et telecoms; Submission from the delegation of the EC to the GATT Committee on Government Procurement in reply to questions of the US Delegation concerning the statistics of procurement for 1986; Information paper on the Commission's proposals on procurement in oil and gas exploration and production; Speech for mission "The European Community and Public Purchasing – Using the European Market to increase the competition and to improve value for money"; Communication from the Commission on public procurement and economic and social cohesion"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-16 03/07/1990 - 21/12/1990

Chrono 1990 - II

Notes on discussions on the broadening of the GATT code on GPA, briefings for meetings on GATT - GPA negotiations, stocktaking, staffing, regulations, draft texts, remedies/utilities reports of meetings, reaction to US offer, includes: Proposal of the European Community for agreement on broadening, extension and improvement of the Agreement on Government Procurement; Commission communication concerning the Community's Negotiation position on the GATT Government Procurement Agreement and Statistical Annex; Economic and Industrial Background working paper on the Commission services – GATT GPA; Draft Commission green paper on the development of European standardisation: action for faster technological convergence in Europe; Aide-memoire: Gatt – procurement by sub-federal bodies in the EC; Note on the visit by an Australian delegation to discuss the possible opening of Australian public procurement; Position paper negotiations CEE-AELE concernant les marchés publics; Note on Uruguay round: situation following the Brussels meeting – GPA

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-17 08/01/1991 - 19/12/1991


Chrono 1991

Documents concerning activities in the area of public procurement when White was Head of Unit for Public Procurement Policy, with various notes on progress of GATT - GPA, reports of meetings, prospects, progress of negotiations, draft texts of articles of Agreement, includes: Note for the file on bilateral discussions EC-US on GATT Government Procurement Code; Speech by White at Belfast, February 1991 at NCIS seminar "Europe in the Mid-1990's"; Note by White on the situation of the White Paper on the Internal Market; Note for Vice-President Gangemann – "GATT Government Procurement Agreement – Understanding with the US Authorities"; Document by White "Why a Public Procurement Programme?"; Note on EEA public procurement – Norwegian request for a safeguard clause on oil or gas; Amended proposal for a Council Directive presented by the Commission – Coordinating the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of Community rules on the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors; Note on GATT Code: non-application by Spain, Portugal and Greece; Briefing note for Uruguay Round, May 1991 on GPA; Paper on Government Procurement Code Negotiations "Achieving a balance of opportunities in government procurement"; Copy of letter from F. Andriessen, Vice-President with special responsibility for external relations and commercial policy to Ambassador Carla Hills, US Trade Representative commenting on the bilateral market access negotiations, the US telecommunications market and the Government Procurement talks; Questions for the US delegation concerning the 1989 US GATT report on the GPA; Speaking note for the Internal Market Council – Public Procurement Service: Concessions; Document on Typology of Contracts

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-18** 14/01/1992 - 18/12/1992


Chrono 1992

Documents concerning the GATT Government Procurement Agreement the divergence of opinion of the EC and the US on the agreement, includes: Note on priorities for the Portuguese Presidency in public procurement; Public services directive – declaration for the minutes of the Council; Note on work on procurement in the defence sector; Press release: The US should match the Community's offer in the GATT Government Procurement Agreement and eliminate the Buy America Act; Speaking note for the EP plenary session 12.03.92 regarding the Commission's report on US Trade Barriers and Unfair Practices; Briefing note on the enlargement of the Community – Public Markets; Note – GATT: EC-US panel on sonar mapping systems; Information note – The bilateral approach provides the US with the same benefits as the Code; Draft Directive of the Commission Advisory Committee for Public Procurement – Interpretation of the obligation to refer to European standards in the framework of the public procurement directives; Report on a mission to a colloquium on public procurement in Eastern Europe, organised by the OECD, Paris, April 1992; Press release on US threat of trade sanctions against EC under Title VII of the US Trade Act; Guidelines for measures relating to the industries supplying the utilities sectors in the weaker regions of the Community; draft guidelines on "Utilities Directives"; Organisational chart of DG III procurement policy unit

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-19** 06/01/1993 - 30/06/1993


Chrono 1993 - I

Notes and reports on EC/US telecoms and government procurement, stocktaking on public procurement, US Trade sanctions on procurement, information on utilities and budget for procurement, includes: Press release on Consultations on telecommunications and government procurement; Working document negotiating objectives: DG III US-EC; Background brief on the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA); Communication to the Commission by Sir Leon Brittan, M. Vanni D'Archirafi and M. Gangemann – Draft recommendation to the Council to open formal negotiations with the governments of certain third countries with a view to concluding agreements concerning access to public procurement and in particular to contracts awarded by public authorities and by entities in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications fields; Draft memo from Brittan to Dr Johann Eeckhoff, State Secretary to the Ministry of Economic Affairs on the announcement by the US administration of its intention to take sanctions against the EC in the field of public procurement and lending you broad support to the Commission's response; Draft paper on options for retaliation to US sanctions on government procurement; Document on EC-US negotiations on access to public procurement: the next steps; Draft agreement between the USA and the European Community concerning procurement; UC-EC interim deal on procurement; Final version of Memo of Understanding between the USA and the EEC on Government Procurement, 29 April 1993; Proposal for a Council regulation concerning access to public contracts for tenderers from the US

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-20** 14/07/1993 - 19/01/1994

Chrono 1993 - II

Includes: note on EC-US relations on public procurement: German-US agreement, EC-US Study – financing by DG1 and XV; Paper on the organisation of procurement and availability of data in the EC Member States; Letter from White to Nigel Shipman, Director of Government Supplies, Hong Kong on the reproduction of Hong Kong Government tenders in the EC official journal: note for Head of EC Delegation to Israel concerning the Israeli draft law on public procurement and discrimination against a UK tenderer for tug boats; Materials on joint EC-US study on public procurement; Note concerning the production of a guide to SME's – actions designed to improve the access of small and medium sized enterprises to the public procurement market in the EC; Towards better information on public contracts; Memo by White on public procurement – the view from Brussels; Note on the GATT Government Purchasing Agreement – management of the conclusion of the negotiations; Memos on GATT Government procurement and telecom procurement and Uruguay Round; Text of the introduction of information technology in government procurement; Text of briefing prepared by Sir Leon Brittan on GATT Government Procurement Agreement; Notes on EC-US and the Uruguay Round: Public procurement; Public procurement speaking note by White and memo on its understanding; Final offer of the EC in the agreement on government procurement signed Geneva, 14 Dec 1993; Letter from Harald Ernest, Government Procurement negotiator to David White (Government procurement negotiator, Permanent Delegation of the European Communities) confirming agreement on coverage under the Government Procurement of Swiss and EU; Letter to Mark Linscott, Director in the Mission of the USA in Geneva on accepting the Israeli offer and bringing a conclusion to the negotiations on the new Government Procurement Agreement, the "EU is accepting that Israel applies conditions which are not at all points applied to others": "GATT Government Procurement Agreement - Community objectives, description of agreement and evaluation of result

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-26** 1998 - 1994

Texts of Agreements on Government Procurement

Materials: Paper file
Languages: English, French
Access level: Open Document, Open Description



Head of Unit for the Co-ordination of Technical Legislation in the Direction General for Industry (DG III)

Documents from 1994 *to* 1999

This series includes a number of interesting papers on the cost of regulation and the whole question of whether the Commission/EU regulates too much. Of particular interest is a paper on production regulation by the Member States, established on the basis of Member States' notifications under Directive 83/189, and which shows that, contrary to the noise coming from capitals, it was not the Commission, but the Member States that were the source of most of the regulation on products. Mr Gangemann decided not to put this out as a communication, but rather as a press release. It attracted less publicity than if it was issued as a communication, yet it drew an irritated response from the UK, and gradually penetrated the wider consciousness. The basis for much of the analysis involved thorough preparation, both through economic analysis and through consultation of interested parties, that had accompanied the excluded sectors directive in White's own work on public procurement. As a result of that work, and although many interests were opposed to regulatory proposals, the *bien fondé* of the Commission's ambition was never seriously questioned.

Notes from the period when White was Head of Unit for regulatory policy as well as a farewell collection from Michael Hardy, sometime Director of Telecoms Policy, which whom White worked closely on the EC-US telecoms procurement agreement. Also a file of papers given to White by Ernesto Previdi, sometime Head of Unit in DG III (Industry and Internal Market) which documents the evolution of the EC approach to product legislation and the global approach to testing and certification, approaches that emerged from the Cassis de Dijon judgement of the ECJ and which made possible the achievement of the internal market. Previdi was intimately involved in all these developments.

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-21 03/02/1994 - 31/01/1996

Chrono 1994 - 1996

Document concerning barriers in the internal market and guidelines on regulatory policy, deregulation, harmonisation of technical requirements, legislative aspects and work of regulatory policy group – maritime safety, energy efficiency, drinking water and Japan's de-regulation policy, includes: Aide-memoire on the participation of representatives of the EFTA countries in Advisory Committees in the context of the entry into force of the EEA (European Economic Area); Mission to Washington, Dec 1991 – the introduction of electronic purchasing in the US; Experience with the interim VAT regime; Mission statement – general matters and co-ordination of harmonisation; Contribution of DG III to the preparation of the report on implementation of the White Paper, for the European Council of Corfu – European Commission regulatory policy: Note on Corfu report "leaner, more transparent regulation"; Speech by Lex Schaub – Deputy Director for Industry, European Commission to the Conference on Technical Barriers to Trade in Europe, Copenhagen September 1994; Note on inter-service consultation on public procurement: transposition of the GATT – agreement on Government Procurement; Note on public consultation in regulatory development, OECD Oct 1994; white paper on the internal market legislation for PECO's; Note on Economist Article: "How (product) regulation kills jobs"; Organisation Chart Unit III/B/I; Articles from Financial Times, [March, 1995]: Top companies favour harmonisation, Commission objective to limit regulation; proposed measures in the field of industrial products 1994; Draft notes for speech on public procurement; Customs Union CE/Turkey – Elimination of technical barriers to trade; Paper for Stefano Micossi, Director General for Industry, European Commission "Regulation and deregulation of industrial products in the Internal market of the European Union: finding the right balance"; National regulations affecting products in the internal market: a cause for concern; Report on the application of Directive 83/189, 1992-4; Letter from Jacques Santer to Sygmunt Tyszkiewicz, Secretary General of UNICE regarding the improving of Community legislation and reinforcing policy coordination; Notification of draft national regulations in the field of the provision of services in the Information Society and transparency mechanism

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-22 20/02/1996 - 12/12/1997

Chrono 1996 - 1997

Mission reports, notes for the file, material concerning the SLIM project (Simpler Legislation for the Internal Market), includes: Copy of National regulations affecting products in the internal market – a cause for concern: experience gained in the application of Directive 83/189/EEC; Notes on Information Society services – transparency mechanism, issue of technical regulations in the internal market, transparency mechanism of service in the Information Society; Communication on harmful and illegal content on the internet after the Belgian paedophilia case; Explanatory document on Regulatory policy for a Competitive European Industry; Programme d'Evaluation de la Législation de la DG III; Note on the impact and effectiveness of the Single Market - Communication COM(96)520 (for Internal Market Review 1996); Speech notes on priorities for regulatory policy at meeting to review of business responses to the Single Market; Memo on revision of directive 80/778 on drinking water: copper, building material; Information note drafted by White on regulatory policy for a competitive European industry, 7 July 1996; Discussion paper – "A Regulatory Framework for the Information Society" prepared by a task force in DG III with White as Chairman; Memo from the President "General Guidelines for Legislative Policy" prepared by White and J. Farrell, DGXV; Information documents "National Regulations Affecting Products in the Internal Market – A Cause for Concern" prepared by White; Documents including organisation chart of organisation of work in DG III in preparation for enlargement to the East; Contribution by DG III to the "Plan d'action Marché intérieur" (Action plan for the Internal

Market): Paper by White "Le Marche Unique: un processus en marche"; Note on enlargement to Central and Eastern European Countries; Documents concerning the failure by the Dutch government to implement Directive 83/189/EEC concerning technical regulations with letter from the Vice President of the EP, Bertel Haarder to Commissioner Mario Monti on the procedure of notification relating to Directive 83/189; Note on work on enlargement: regulation, standards, conformity assessment

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-23 05/06/1973 - 31/01/1985

Ernesto Previdi - EC Regulatory Policy

Reports on meetings of high officials on standardisation policies and technical barriers to be overcome. Notes on "Politique réglementaire communautaire" – Section d'Actes relatifs à la période 1969-1985, Les débuts – le premier encadrement politique, Constats des limites et recherche de solutions (1972 – 1977), le besoin de sélectivité dans l'initiative réglementaire (1995), la Jurisprudence de la cour ouvre des perspectives, la recherche d'une stratégie nouvelle, le premières propositions, les problèmes de la certification, la relance : un consensus nouveau entre les états membres, une tripartite secrète qui aboutit dans un acte du Conseil, la nouvelle approche, includes: Notes from the Commission on "Achevement du marché interieur: legislation communautaire des denrees alimentaires", "Harmonisation technique et normalisation : une nouvelle approche" ; Draft report of the Working Group on general reference to standards; Renforcement de la normalisation europeenne ; Proposition de decision du Conseil "prévoyant une procédure d'information dans le domaine des normes et reglementaires techniques"; Commission note "Elimination des entraves techniques aux échanges"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-24 28/02/1996

National Regulations Affecting Products in the Internal Market - A Cause for Concern: Experience Gained in the Application of Directive 83/189/EEC, 1992-4

Report produced by the DG III Industry (III/2185-EN/final)

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-25 1999

Regulating Products - Practical Experience with Measures to Eliminate Barriers in the Single Market

Contribution by David White "What Products are Regulated?"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-45 1987 - 1993

Selected Papers - Michael Hardy, Director, DG XIII, Telecommunications, Information Market and Exploitation of Research

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



Director of Enterprise Policy, Innovation Policy and Education Policy at the Commission

Documents from 2001 to 2008

Notebooks containing White's contemporaneous notes on all meetings except on staff matters throughout the period, which was an interesting one leading to the launch of important initiatives in industry, innovation and education policy.

Includes also a file on the negotiation of the EIT in 2007.

This series mainly consists of notebooks covering most of the period from 2000 to 2008 when White was successively Director of Enterprise Policy, Innovation Policy and Education Policy at the Commission.

Notes/remarks: Difficult legibility

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-27 11/04/2002 - 24/07/2002


Notebook 1 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Competitions report: EU-Japan Centre, EU-China Chamber of Commerce, meeting with Deputy Mayor of Beijing UN/ECE, discussions with Chinese commercial and industrial officials, sustainable development, regulation and the labour market, productivity: the key to competitiveness, steel sanctions and steel restructuring, entrepreneurship green papers: pre preparation of industry council, Russian contacts, Small business conference, subsidiarity, importance of small and medium enterprises in EU, Seminar on industrial policy

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-28** 25/07/2002 - 19/11/2002


Notebook 2 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Innovation and industrial policy – brainstorming, resources, financial issues, forward planning events 2003, competition, research targets, China/EU industrial dialogue, research and development, biotechnology

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-29** 19/11/2002 - 19/02/2003


Notebook 3 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: competition, extensive discussions on evolution, discussions with Ministry for Development, Athens – preparation of Greek productivity meeting, financial review, industrial policy follow-up, Euro-Mediterranean Working Group; Industrial policy conference, importance of social dialogue, access to finance, Mediterranean policy: industrial policy conference, EPG preparation, growth and competitiveness, entrepreneurship, screening and sectoral implementation

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-30** 19/02/2003 - 27/05/2003


Notebook 4 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Stakeholders, impact studies, Council competitiveness and growth, key issues paper for spring European Council, Council aspects of innovations and new technology, Italian Presidency planning, Chemical substances, reduction in the metallurgic industry, shipbuilding aid scheme, ministers meeting, analysis of impact of research projects, best practice examples, European Parliament procedures, employment and RTD – early influential cases, steering group industrial policy, Confindustria, Doha Round, competitions council, social affairs

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-31** 28/05/2003 - 25/09/2003


Notebook 5 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Industrial policy screening, informal competitiveness group, business organisations, entrepreneurship, enterprise policy group, integrated competitiveness strategy, textiles, enlargement forum: EPG(II); problem of corruption, business services, innovation and technology transfer, Oslo DTI, merger control, legislative programmes 2003/2004, Korean discussions with EC, dialogue with Beijing, productivity issues

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-32** 29/09/2003 - 22/01/2004


Notebook 6 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Integrated society, research and innovation management, integrated competitiveness strategy, EPG (II), entrepreneurship, state aids, manufacturing initiatives, EU-India Summit, EU-Russia roundtable, EPG preparation, industrial policy, IT master plan, visit to Davos World Economic Summit, Trans-Atlantic business dialogue

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-33** 26/01/2003 - 13/05/2004


Notebook 7 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: High-level group on competitiveness; conference for industrial policy, innovation, Polish conference for employers, innovation, target issue in charter context, industrial policy discussion, EU - Russia dialogue, European business summit, gate to growth, finance, standardisation, business organisations, innovation – regions of excellence, PACE, GCC/ Saudi Arabia

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-34** 14/05/2004 - 12/10/2004

Notebook 8 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: EPC – Innovation policy, financial perspectives, new costs and certification, knowledge and productivity, follow-up to industrial policy communication, PACE, research and innovation committee, HLG competitiveness, financial perspectives, competitiveness report 2005, competitiveness and innovation programm, task force ICIP, Industry Policy Steering Group, visit to Beijing, industrial policy dialogue, competitiveness council

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-35 15/10/2004 - 15/03/2005

Notebook 9 - Director of Enterprise Policy

Notes on: Budget 2005, R & D, Community innovation survey, EU – Japan Industry policy dialogue, competitiveness, EU industrial dialogue, trade liberalisation, seminar on technology problems, natural learning platform, preparation for Research Steering Group, review of state aids, entrepreneurial innovation

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-36 16/03/2005 - 06/09/2005

Notebook 10 - Director of Innovation Policy

Notes on: Public pronouncement in support of innovation and r&d, audit review, trend chart workshop, preparing for June report, workshop on cooperation between innovation policy programmes in Europe, service level agreement, state aid for innovation, impact assessment, small and medium enterprises, innovation and transatlantic dialogue, regional innovation – organisation and excellence, Lisbon agenda and US competition programme, venture capital, protection equity, corporate venture entities, financial contributions; review of legislative programme, policy environment, ICT standardisation dialogue with US, innovation and knowledge

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-37 07/09/2005 - 20/02/2006

Notebook 11 - Director of Innovation Policy

Notes on: Interoperability conference, EU-US/Innovation, R&I management committee, internationalisation of the IRC network, briefing on financial issues, steering committee for preparatory action, Lisbon Council, Eurostat Conference on Knowledge Economy, internationalisation of IRC network, European innovation progress, Follow-up to industrial policy, productivity of the research system, ICT taskforce, EIC/IRC integration, inter-service group on financing growth – the European way

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-38 21/02/2006 - 09/11/2006

Notebook 12 - Director of Innovation Policy

Notes on: Public procurement initiatives, European initiatives, EU/US summit, Association of Competitive Technology, Innovation workshop, Hague, innovation governance workshop, the opportunities of globalisation, "Leading Thinkers", Commissioner's seminar, EPG(1), ICT task force

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-39 10/06/2006 - 21/12/2006

Notebook 13 - Director of Innovation Policy

Notes on: Regional conference promoting knowledge transfer in industry, small business challenges, human capital and quality of education, visit to Stuttgart region, EIC/IRC, ISQ – broad based innovation strategy, European Innovation Workshops Lead Markets, Munich, October 2006, the case of wind energy; support structures, innovation policy comments, budget changes, intrasoft contract on ICT CU, multilateral surveillance of EPC, Press conference – communication on innovation, industrial policy, IP conference Venice, EIT ad hoc WG Council, European innovation conference

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-40 01/01/2007 - 01/04/2007

Notebook 14 - Director of Life Long Learning at the Education and Culture DG

Notes on: EIT – WG preparation, EIT ad-hoc Group (Council), EIT Conference, Vienna, case studies, European Parliament – Culture Committee, Business Europe, EAC – Business universities

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-41 01/04/2007 - 01/10/2007

Notebook 15 - Director of Life Long Learning at the Education and Culture DG

Notes on: EIT and Erasmus; EC Vet meeting, Hamburg, presentation of priorities for future presidency, Business Europe – nervous on strong rights, Shell Industry Leadership Board, Task Force Directors on Accounting Issues,

inequalities and social exclusion, upstream co-ordination MARKET/EAC, Education and Training Policies in EU, debate on suggestion to create an Education Committee, Bologna Board (Higher Education Area), European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System – ECTS, Nesses network – innovation and education, science business – policy implications (research, education, business), strategy of European universities

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-42 01/10/2007 - 12/03/2008

Notebook 16 - Director of Life Long Learning at the Education and Culture DG

Notes on: OECD-Commission, Paris, Cedefop, Thessalonika, Education and migration, integration by education, distance learning, achieving equality in practice, G8 – Ministerial meeting Potsdam, valuing learning – Lisbon, HLG Education, Ljubljana, manual of procedure, education and migration, bilateral discussion, CEDEFOP, steps to strategy, European quality criteria for ICT skills certification, task force finances, bilateral EU-China on education, draft of agenda, European university business forum

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-43 12/03/2008 - 04/07/2008

Notebook 17 - Director of Life Long Learning at the Education and Culture DG

Notes on: business and university forum, NESSE seminar on education and integration of migrant children, equal opportunities, reference tools and investment, developments in educational psychology, foundation course on economics of education, intercultural dialogue

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-44 27/04/2001

Presentation of the work of the Enterprise Policy Directorate and its goals

Themes: The Commissioner's challenges

Mission of the Enterprise Policy Directorate

Types of activity

Clients and stakeholders

Reform ambition

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-46 2006 - 2007

Negotiation of the EIT (European Institute of Technology and Innovation)

Includes: Speech by David White, Director of Education Policy, Lisbon, autumn 2007, "The EIT: the challenge, the proposed solution and the issues that face it"

Non-Paper - Financing the EIT

Background paper - Potential contribution from the Structural Funds to the financing of the EIT

Flash report - Meeting with the German President on EIT

Council proposal for a regulation of the EP and the Council - Establishing the EIT

Commission decision

EP working document on developing a knowledge flagship: the EIT

Communication from the Commission to the European Council: Implementing the renewed partnership for growth and jobs

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-47 12/06/2008

Education and Culture Directorate Report: The use of ICT to support innovation and lifelong learning for all

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description



file: DW-48 19/11/2007

DG for Education and Culture - Reflections on Directorate EAC/A

Discussion document for team-building seminar held in November 2007

Materials: Paper file

Languages: English


Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **Other Material**

Documents from 2004 *to* 2004

Paolo Ponzano was a colleague of White in the Secretariat General of the Commission.

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

 **file: DW-49** 2004

Paper by Paolo Ponzano: Le nouveau "Traité de réforme"

Materials: Paper file

Languages: French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description