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• **President Juncker and Commissioner Malmström at the 12th EU-China Business Summit**

This morning, President **Juncker** and Commissioner **Malmström** spoke at the [12th EU-China Business Summit](#), an event that provides an opportunity for EU and Chinese leaders to exchange views with representatives of the business community on economic relations between the European Union and China and on the challenges that remain. The Business Summit took place in the sidelines of the [19th Summit](#) between the European Union and the People's Republic of China, which is currently ongoing. A press release summarising the Summit's deliverables will be available [here](#) this afternoon. Coverage is available live on [EbS](#). For more information on EU-China relations, read the [factsheet](#) or consult the [memo](#).

• **Statement by the Commissioner for Climate action and energy, Miguel Arias Cañete on the US announcement to withdraw from the Paris Agreement**

Commissioner for Climate action and energy, Miguel **Arias Cañete** issued a statement yesterday on the US announcement to withdraw from the Paris Agreement: *"Today is a sad day for the global community, as a key partner turns its back on the fight against climate change. The EU deeply regrets the unilateral decision by the Trump administration to withdraw the US from the Paris Agreement. The Paris Agreement brought us together in very challenging times. It is an unprecedented multilateral partnership between nearly 200 countries, supported by companies and communities across the world, to address a problem that threatens us all. It demonstrates our generation's responsibility towards this and future generations. [...] The Paris Agreement will endure. The world can continue to count on Europe for global leadership in the fight against climate change. Europe will lead through ambitious climate policies and through continued support to the poor and vulnerable."* The full statement is available [here](#).

• **EU-African Union Joint Communiqué on the Implementation of the Paris Agreement**

The European Union and the African Union reaffirm their strong commitment to full implementation of the Paris agreement, and call on all partners to keep up

the momentum created in 2015. Ahead of the COP23 in November they pledge to work together to finalise the Paris Agreement work programme. Climate change and renewable energy will figure on the agenda of the upcoming Africa-EU Summit in Abidjan on 29/30 November. This will be an opportunity to confirm the strong solidarity with those most vulnerable to climate change and the determination to work together to build strong and sustainable economies and societies resilient to climate change. The European Union and the African Union reaffirm their commitment to continuing to address the adverse effects of climate change on human and animal health, natural ecosystems and other social and economic impacts that threaten our developmental gains as a global community. The statement is available [here](#).

• **Conference "An Action Plan for nature, people and the economy", 6 June**

On Monday 6 June, the Commission is co-hosting, with the Committee of the Regions and the Maltese Presidency of the Council, a conference to present the recently adopted [Action Plan for nature, people and the economy](#). First Vice-President **Timmermans**, Vice-President **Katainen** and Commissioner **Vella** will open the debate and will discuss how the newly adopted Action Plan will improve the implementation of EU nature legislation on the ground. The Action Plan follows up the [Fitness Check of the Nature Directives](#) which showed that while the Nature Directives were fit for purpose, implementation needs to be improved, to take account of the concerns of local and regional authorities. The discussions of the conference will focus on the 15 actions outlined in the Action Plan and will emphasise the attraction for investment in nature. If EU rules are properly implemented, protected areas could yield substantial economic benefits for local communities through tourism, cleaner water, pollination or climate mitigation. The conference can be followed live [here](#).

• **Animal welfare: EU platform to be launched next week**

Next Tuesday (6 June 2017) Commissioner **Andriukaitis**, in charge of Health and Food safety, will address members of the EU Platform on Animal Welfare at its inaugural meeting. The Platform has been set up to coordinate actions related to animal welfare and to share best experiences by relevant stakeholders. At the inaugural meeting, the members will discuss how the Platform can contribute to better implementation and understanding of EU legislation on animal welfare at national, European and global level, and share good practices and professional experiences. The meeting will be web-streamed [here](#) and [on EBS](#) (at 09:00 Lisbon time). The [agenda](#) is available online.

• **Eurostat: Les prix à la production industrielle stables tant dans la zone euro que dans l'UE28**

En avril 2017 par rapport à mars 2017, les prix à la production industrielle sont restés stables dans la zone euro (ZE19) ainsi que dans l'UE28, selon les estimations d'Eurostat, l'office statistique de l'Union européenne. En mars 2017, les prix avaient diminué de 0,3% dans la zone euro et de 0,2% dans l'UE28. En avril 2017 par rapport à avril 2016, les prix à la production industrielle ont progressé de 4,3% dans la zone euro et de 4,8% dans l'UE28. Un communiqué de presse est disponible [ici](#).

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