PRESS SEMINAR

The European Ombudsman: 10 years, 20,000 complaints — too many?

"A more open and accountable EU administration —
the next steps for the Commission, the Parliament and the Ombudsman"

Moderator: Aidan White, General Secretary, International Federation of Journalists

14.00-14.10: Introductory remarks by the European Ombudsman
14.10-14.50: Panel discussion
  - Derk-Jan Eppink, Member of the Cabinet of European Commission
  - Michael Cashman, MEP and Parliament’s Rapporteur on the Regulation on public access to documents
  - Tony Bunyan, Director, Statewatch
  - Dana Spinant, Editor, European Voice
14.50-15.30: Questions & Answers

15.30-16.00: Coffee break

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

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"Raising awareness about the right to complain —
the next steps for the European Ombudsman"

Moderator: Pat Cox, President of the European Parliament 2002-2004

16.00-16.10: Introductory remarks by the European Ombudsman
16.10-16.50: Panel discussion
  - Margot Wallström, Vice-President, European Commission
  - Emily O’Reilly, National Ombudsman of Ireland
  - Claire Damilano, European Citizen Action Service
  - Aidan White, General Secretary, International Federation of Journalists
16.50-17.50: Floor discussion
17.50-18.00: Closing remarks by the European Ombudsman

18.00-19.30: Reception