

Media Guide

Signing of the Accession Treaty of Bulgaria and Romania (25 April 2005)

The Accession Treaty to the European Union will be signed by Bulgaria and Romania on 25 April 2005 in the Neumünster Abbey in Luxembourg after the session of the General Affairs Council that will be held in the Kiem Conference Centre.

1) General Accreditation (access to the press centre of the Kiem Conference Centre)

Media representatives who want to cover this event should note that they do not have to ask for a special accreditation in advance. Thus the accreditation procedure is the same as for all the councils of the European Union to be held in the Kiem Conference Centre. The enclosed notice gives more information on the accreditation.

2) Media

Media representatives can view the ceremony on the TVs and screens in the press centre of the Kiem Conference Centre. It is transmitted live by the host broadcaster of the Luxembourg Presidency of the Council of the European Union (BCE).

3) TV/Photo coverage

a. The host broadcaster of the Luxembourg Presidency

Broadcasting Centre Europe (BCE) is the host broadcaster of the Luxembourg Presidency of the Council of the European Union and provides technical services for TV and radio, production and distribution of pool signals.

In collaboration with the Eurovision, the host broadcaster provides multi- and unilateral transmissions.

BCE and Eurovision are responsible for the reservations of editing rooms, stand up positions and the feed.

Television/Radio editing rooms are situated in the halls 3 and 4 of the press centre. They are equipped with an analogue telephone line, ISDN line, television sets and are able to receive the television signal of the host broadcaster.

You will also find injection points for the Eurovision, SNG connections, 2 equipped stand up positions as well as 2 editing rooms with editors.

Parking media transmission vehicles and editing vehicles (SNG)

Media transmission vehicles (SNG) may park in front of the media entrance at the Kiem Conference Centre, on the side of the *Circuit de la Foire internationale*.

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b. Media pools

Due to space constraints, media pools will be operating and pool badges will be issued in a limited number. In order to allow perfect working conditions, pool badges will be handed out according to these rules:

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| Group A | Photographer (1 badge per memberstate) | Signing ceremony Place : Neumünster Abbey Time : 5 pm – 6.30 pm |
| Group B | Photographer and cameraman (1+1 badge per memberstate) | Family photo Place : Neumünster Abbey Time : 6.40 pm |

The press service of the Luxembourg Presidency will hand out the pool badges to the media representatives Monday 25 April 2005 from 3 pm at the “info-média” desk at the press centre of the Kiem Conference Centre.

The two pools are mutually exclusive.

The meeting place for the media representatives with a pool card will be at the “media” entrance of the press centre (next to the accreditation desk) 90 minutes before the happening to be covered. (group A: 3.30 pm – group B: 5.15 pm)

Requests for pool cards may be addressed to the following e-mail address: accreditation@eu2005.lu.

c. Photo service

A selection of photos taken by the photographers of the Council and by those of the Luxembourg Presidency may be viewed and downloaded in high resolution at the webpage of the Council (http://ue.eu.int/photographic_library) and at the webpage of the Luxembourg Presidency (<http://www.eu2005.lu/fr/actualites/photos/index.html>). These photos will be available immediately after the event.

4) Press centre of the Kiem Conference Centre

The working room of the press centre will be available. It offers 400 working spaces with free Internet access, PCs, printers, telephones (with connection to analogical and digital modem) and photocopiers.

Wireless Lan is another service provided by the Luxembourg Presidency.

Refreshments are served continuously at the press bar. The Luxembourg Presidency also offers dinner to the media representatives at the Kiem Conference Centre.

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