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**DRAFT CONGRESS PROGRAMME OF THE EUROPEAN TRADE UNION
CONFEDERATION (ETUC)
(16/05/07)**

Monday 21 May 2007

- 09:00** Opening Ceremony
Cultural event
Alfredo Sánchez Monteseirín, Mayor of the City of Sevilla
Manuel Chaves, President of the Regional Government Andalusia
José María Fidalgo, General Secretary of Comisiones Obreras, on
behalf of Spanish affiliates
Presidential address: **Cándido Méndez Rodríguez**
- 9:45** Guest speaker: **José Manuel Barroso**, President of the European
Commission

- 10:00** Plenary session
- Video of ETUC activities
- John Monks**, ETUC General Secretary
- Ratification of affiliations and observer status agreed by the Executive Committee since the 10th Congress (2003-2006)
- Amendments to the ETUC Constitution
- Discussion and adoption of the Activity Report 2003-2006
- 13:00 – 14:30** Lunch break
- 14:30** **Session 1:**
- On the offensive:*
For stronger European trade unions
- Presentation of Chapter 1 of the Strategy and Action Programme followed by debate including focus on **organising**
- 16:00** Guest speaker: **Guy Ryder**, General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Guest speaker: **Mikhail Shmakov**, President of The Pan-European Regional Council (PERC)
- 16:15** **Round table 1:**
- The European Social Model challenged by the new financial capitalism**
- Moderator: **George Parker**, European Editor, Financial Times
- Poul Nyrup Rasmussen**, leader of the European Socialist Party (PES)
Agnès Jongerius, Federatie Nederlandse Vakbeweging (FNV) President (the Netherlands)
Richard Trumka, Secretary – Treasurer of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
Raffaele Bonanni, General Secretary, Confederazione Italiana Sindacati Lavoratori (CISL), Italy
- 17:15** Guest speaker: **Ernest-Antoine Seillière**, President of BusinessEurope
- 17:30** Presentation of candidates
- 18:00** End of the day