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**NOTE**

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from : The Presidency  
to : COUNCIL (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs)

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**Subject : Information from the Czech Presidency on the  
“Conference on Flexicurity in times of crisis”  
(Prague, 25-26 March 2009)  
(Any other business item)**

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Delegations will find attached a note from the Presidency.

**Information from the Presidency**  
**Conference on “Flexicurity in times of crisis”**  
**Prague, 25-26 March 2009**

The Presidency conference on “Flexicurity in times of crisis” took place in Prague on 25-26 March 2009.

The goal of the conference was to address the implementation of the flexicurity principles in the context of the current financial and economic crisis, and to provide a platform for the exchange of experiences among Member States, to learn new ways of responding to emerging labour market problems.

The conference stressed that the concept of flexicurity is in times of crisis even more significant and relevant than in times of economic prosperity, and that the principles of flexicurity provide useful directions for shaping possible measures for overcoming the crisis's negative impact.

Based on the discussions during the conference, the Presidency prepared draft Council conclusions on flexicurity in times of crisis.

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