



Council of the European Union  
General Secretariat  
Economic Affairs and Competitiveness  
*Director General*

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**Subject: Election of the President of the Eurogroup**

Dear Eurogroup Working Group member,

As announced by the Eurogroup President, please find below the procedure for the election of the next President of the Eurogroup.

Carsten PILLATH

**President of the Eurogroup**  
**Election Process**

Ministers wishing to put forward their candidature to become President of the Eurogroup should do so in writing by Tuesday, 16 June 2015, 12.00 CET. A motivation letter announcing a minister's candidature, accompanied by a curriculum vitae, should be sent by e-mail to the Director General of the Council Secretariat, Mr. Carsten Pillath, with the President of the Eurogroup Working Group, Mr. Thomas Wieser in copy.

All letters will then be circulated to Euro Working Group members once the closing date for candidatures has passed. As well as declaring their candidature, ministers should use this letter to set out their intended approach to the role of President of the Eurogroup.

Candidates will be invited to orally confirm their intention to stand for election and to set out their



priorities for the next two and half years to their peers in the Eurogroup which will take the decision.

Should there be no clear majority among euro area ministers in support of one candidate, ministers will be invited to formally vote during the meeting. Ballot papers will be distributed by the Council Secretariat during the meeting.

The President of the Eurogroup should be elected by simple majority as stipulated by Protocol 14 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

Should the incumbent President of the Eurogroup wish to put himself forward for re-election, the ECOFIN President will be invited to chair the Eurogroup agenda point concerning the election.

The winner will first be announced to ministers during the meeting. With ministers' support, the person that has chaired the election agenda point will then announce the winner at the usual post-Eurogroup press conference.

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