European Central Bank (ECB): appointment of Jörg Asmussen as member of the Executive Board

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The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs adopted the report drafted by Sharon BOWLES (ADLE, UK) in which it delivers a favourable opinion on the Council recommendation to appoint Jörg Asmussen as Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank.

Members commented on the nomination of Me ASMUSSEN following the evaluation of the credentials of the nominee, in particular in view of the requirements laid down in Article 283(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) and in the light of the need for full independence of the European Central Bank pursuant to Article 130 TFEU.

In carrying out this evaluation, the committee received a *curriculum vitae* from the candidate as well as his replies to the written questionnaire that was sent out to him. The committee subsequently held a one-and-a-half-hour hearing with the nominee on 10 October 2011, at which he made an opening statement and then responded to questions from the members of the committee.