



Your Quaestors:

Catherine BEARDER
Elisabeth MORIN-CHARTIER
Andrey KOVAČHEV
Vladimir MAŇKA
Karol KARSKI

QUAESTORS' Quarterly

Issue 13 | Autumn 2018

Once again, I am delighted to chair the college of the Quaestors, during this critical juncture in the Brexit negotiations.

My priorities include:

- Exploring interactive technologies that will bring the artistic collection of the European Parliament closer to the citizens
- Assessing options to improve chairs in the Strasbourg Chamber
- Organising an artistic exhibition for Members and staff
- Contributing to the works of the task force for outgoing and newly elected Members

I have also invited Mairead McGuinness, Vice-President and Chair of the Bureau working group on the administrative consequences of Brexit to the Quaestors monthly meeting for a timely discussion on the implications of Brexit and any practical arrangements for UK Members as next March gets closer.



Catherine BEARDER
Chair-in-Office of the Quaestors

In this issue

- [Mission Crisis Management System](#)
- [Closure of the Supermarket](#)
- [Members' and Staff Art Exhibition](#)
- [News in Brief](#)
- [Trouble with the microphone?](#)

Mission Crisis Management system - a new IT tool to facilitate rapid response in case of crisis during official missions

The new Mission Crisis Management IT tool contains information necessary to help Members and staff in case of emergency on missions.

Members are requested to input travel details in the system **before** a mission, but they only have to fill in personal details once in each parliamentary term. All data will remain secure and confidential.



The launch of this tool is a timely reminder that all Members should ensure that their medical data is kept up to date and lodged with the medical Service in Brussels ([see Notice 27/2018](#)).

Closure of the Supermarket

Carrefour Belgium decided that the GB Express supermarket, located in the basement of the SPINELLI building, would be permanently closed on the **11th of October 2018**.

The postal service has been installed in the press shop (ASP 0D005).

Furthermore, the range of products within the existing press shop in the SPINELLI building will be extended to serve Members and Staff ([see Notice 28/2018](#)).





Members' and Staff Art Exhibition



The Members and staff of the European Parliament are extremely creative, as we can all see through their work on daily basis, be that legislative, administrative or logistical. Therefore, to illustrate this creativity and highlight how some staff use art to relax and express themselves, it has been my pleasure to once again organise the Members' and Staff Art Exhibition.

The opening of the exhibition will be on **January 22, 2019**, outside the Members' restaurant in the SPINELLI building, in Brussels.

News in Brief

As in previous years, the Quaestors have selected several **Christmas and New Year greeting** cards, available in e-card format, six of which will also be available in print. The latter can be ordered on the Web2Print from **15 October 2018 onwards** ([see Notice 31/2018](#))



A special **"meet and eat"** initiative has been introduced in view of the high number of trilogue meetings planned until the end of the current term. All participants in such meetings, lasting beyond 8 pm, will be offered food trays (with a vegetarian option included), bottled water, coffee and tea ([see Notice 30/2018](#))



Over 90 **defibrillators** can be found in public areas in EP buildings. By the beginning of 2019 they will all be connected to the security dispatching service and telephones will also be installed next to them with instructions in EN and FR, with training courses being offered by DG SAFE to specifically trained evacuation volunteers



Trouble with the microphone? Do you speak but can't be heard?

A quick tip for speaking in Plenary turn the microphone on by pressing ONCE and waiting for 5 seconds - easy! (it's not instant and pressing the button again just turns it off!)

For further information

For further information on any of the articles in this edition, please contact one of the Quaestors responsible or the Secretariat at the following address: SecrQuest@ep.europa.eu
Link to the website of the [Quaestors](#)