## <u>Press release - Opening: European</u> <u>Parliament President highlights</u> <u>Families' Day</u>

"Today we celebrate the International Day of Families", said EP President Antonio Tajani at the opening of the Strasbourg plenary session, on Monday. The UN-established Day focuses this year on the role of families and family-oriented policies in promoting education and the overall well-being of family members.

President Tajani said: "This Parliament has always been supportive of families and, in particular, has underlined the importance of ensuring greater balance between family and work." "We will keep doing this," he added.

The President also stressed that "family is the core element of our social order and has a fundamental role in the formation of our youth and the transmission of the values on which our common life is founded"

The agenda of the plenary was approved with no change.

Requests by committees to start negotiations with Council and Commission

Decisions by several committees to enter into inter-institutional negotiations (Rule 69c) are <u>published on the plenary website</u>. If no request for a vote in Parliament on the decision to enter into negotiations is made within 24 hours, the committees may start negotiations.