

## Speeches and Press Releases (see p 2 for Endnote examples)

**Question:** The 4th edition doesn't say anything about speeches or memos. Hmm...This is how I've quoted it:

Stavros Dimas, Member of the European Commission, Responsible for Environment, Speech at the Carbon Expo Conference, Köln 2 May 2007, 'Improving Environmental Quality through Carbon Trading', 07/265

<<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/07/265&format=HTML&aged=1&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>> (Accessed 29 May 2011).

It feels messy though and not right. Any suggestions?

**Answer:**

### Author

There's an example in the 'general principles' for 'other secondary sources' in the 4th edn, in the middle of page 39 — a speech by Lord Bingham.

Part of the problem is the author's unwieldy title: 'Member of the European Commission, Responsible for Environment'!

Dimas gets called various things: 'Member of the EC in charge of Environment' (EC), 'European commissioner for the environment' (Guardian), 'European Environment Minister' (Telegraph), 'EU Environment Commissioner' (BBC), 'Environmental Commission for EU' (Yale Environment 360)... I'd be tempted to go with the BBC: EU Environment Commissioner - it's short and clear.

Another thing that might be worth thinking about is turning around the author so that it reads EU Environment Commissioner Stavros Dimas - which means it will fall under EU in the bibliography rather than Dimas. You need to think: Would a reader be more likely to go looking for EU than Dimas?

### URL/web address

You should also shorten the url - you have to do that by trial and error... the bit below works. I've cut out 07/265 because it's in the url, but it's generally useful to keep numbers as they are useful when searching online for information. I toyed with 'Speech 07/265, Carbon Expo Conference' but I thought it looked a bit weird, as if perhaps he'd made 264 speeches at the conference before this!

### Place and date of speech/publishing information

Then I put the title before the 'publishing information' — where and when the speech happened — and I put the 'publishing information' in brackets.

So here's my **final version**:

Stavros Dimas, EU Environment Commissioner, 'Improving Environmental Quality through Carbon Trading' (Speech at the Carbon Expo Conference, Köln, 2 May 2007)



<<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/07/265>> accessed 29 May 2011.

sm, 3 June 11, with thanks to Sanja for the question

**Speeches and press releases – use the Newspaper article reference type**

In Endnote using the OSCOLA\_2\_4th\_edn style, use the 'Newspaper Article' reference type. If the author is an institution, put a comma after the institution name. If there is an author followed by an institution or position, put two commas after the author's, as shown in the example on the right.

Use the city field for information about the place of publication.

| Press release  | Speech   |
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|  <p>European Commission, #88</p> <p>Reference Type: Newspaper Article</p> <p><b>Journalist (or 'Editorial' if appropriate)</b><br/>European Commission,</p> <p><b>Title</b><br/>Climate change - The Commission presents the first steps in the post-Kyoto strategy to meet the commitments of the European Union</p> <p><b>City</b><br/>Brussels</p> <p><b>Newspaper Date</b><br/>3 June 1998</p> <p><b>URL</b><br/><a href="http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/98/498">http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/98/498</a></p> <p><b>Access Date</b><br/>29 May 2011</p> |  <p>Stavros Dimas, #89</p> <p>Reference Type: Newspaper Article</p> <p><b>Journalist (or 'Editorial' if appropriate)</b><br/>Stavros Dimas,, EU Environment Commissioner</p> <p><b>Title</b><br/>Improving Environmental Quality through Carbon Trading</p> <p><b>City</b><br/>Speech at the Carbon Expo Conference, Köln</p> <p><b>Newspaper Date</b><br/>2 May 2007</p> <p><b>URL</b><br/><a href="http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/07/265">http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/07/265</a></p> <p><b>Access Date</b><br/>29 May 2011</p> |

Footnote <sup>1</sup> and <sup>2</sup> and bibliography entries below

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