



Press Release

Ask Koenders Anything' - Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs to host 'Ask Me Anything' session on social media forum Reddit

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On Monday 8 February, the Dutch minister of foreign affairs Mr Bert Koenders will respond to questions from the public on social media forum Reddit. It will be the first time a Dutch minister answers questions through Reddit's 'Ask Me Anything' (AMA) format. Various international politicians and entrepreneurs such as Barack Obama and Bill Gates have preceded Mr Koenders by hosting an AMA of their own.

Minister Koenders will open the AMA thread on Monday, 15:15 CET and will sit down to answer questions for half an hour, starting at 15:45 CET. The AMA can be followed by everybody – even without a Reddit account – at <https://www.reddit.com/r/IAMA/> To ask the minister a question you need to register for a Reddit account. The Dutch Foreign Minister wants to improve transparency of EU decision-making, for example through the use of digital technology.

Note to Editors

About Reddit Ask Me Anything

An Ask Me Anything (also known as an AMA or IAmA) is a part of the American social media platform Reddit, in which interesting or well-known figures offer members of Reddit the opportunity to ask them literally anything. You will be able to find the Ask Me Anything session at <https://www.reddit.com/r/IAMA/>.

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