

Crunch time for eurozone leaders

Detailed but controversial plans to reduce Greece's debt burden and resolve the eurozone crisis will be presented to EU leaders on Wednesday – the 14th debt-management summit since the Greek crisis began in 2009



■ **Banks:** Europe's biggest banks – those holding large portfolios of Greek, Portuguese, Irish, Spanish and Italian debt – forced to raise **€108 billion** of new capital over next six to nine months to provide bigger reserves against sovereign debt losses



■ **Greek debt writedowns:** Bankers have agreed to raise voluntary writedowns from **21% to 40%** – politicians and **International Monetary Fund** now want **50-60%** haircuts. Second bail-out of **€450bn** – more than twice current **€110bn** package – to be agreed



■ **Eurozone rescue fund:** Boost **€440 billion** **European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF)** so there are sufficient funds to support Italy and Spain. EFSF would guarantee **20-30%** of new bonds to build investor confidence

■ **European Central Bank:** Leaders have ruled out tapping ECB funds to boost EFSF. Facing opposition from Germany and ECB, French President **Nicolas Sarkozy** (right) has backed down over his demands to turn EFSF into a bank and let it borrow from ECB



■ **Special-purpose vehicle (SPV):** New IMF-backed bonds to attract cash from sovereign wealth funds such as China and Brazil. This could boost EFSF to over **€1 trillion**



■ **Fiscal union:** **José Manuel Barroso**, (left) European commission president, and **Herman Van Rompuy** (right), EU President – backed by Germany, France and Italy – propose closer economic integration. A **United States of Europe** requires amendment or replacement of controversial **Lisbon Treaty**



■ **Britain:** Conservative-led coalition is drawing up list of demands for unpopular EU powers to be repatriated to UK in return for treaty change