Dear Reader,

This year, the International Labour Organization (ILO) celebrates its 100th anniversary. From the late 1950s, cooperation between the ILO and the then European Communities has developed, intensifying over the last 20 years with frequent high-level meetings and mutual consultation on a broad range of issues.

Most recently, EU-ILO collaboration focused on the challenges posed by the so-called 4th Industrial Revolution: automation, digitalisation of production and consumption and the diffusion of artificial intelligence in the workplace.

The study provided by Policy Department A takes stock of this very beneficial cooperation and will provide the basis on which our Committee will focus its work when considering the right responses to the social cost of technological change.

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EU and ILO: Shaping the future of work
Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies

The long-standing cooperation between the EU and the ILO is currently focussing on the challenges that the "4th Industrial Revolution" brings to the world of work.

Coinciding with the 100th anniversary of the International Labour Organization (ILO), this study reviews the main results of some 60 years of collaboration between the EU and the ILO and considers how they might address the future of work and the challenges it poses to the sustainability of decent work and social security.
Recent publications

The Agenda for Cohesion Policy in 2019-2024
Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies

The study highlights six key policy themes and political questions for the debate on Cohesion Policy in 2021-27. It reviews current and emerging issues for Cohesion Policy to support the work agenda of the EP Committee for Regional Development during its mandate 2019-2024. The analysis focuses on issues relating to the committee’s competences.

Achievements of the Committee on Petitions 2014-2019
Policy Department for Citizens’ Rights and Constitutional Affairs

Parliament’s Committee on Petitions (PETI) has continued to uphold the citizens’ right to petition the EP, raise issues and call for redress in areas of EU competence. The study Achievements of the Committee on Petitions during the 2014-2019 parliamentary term and challenges for the future gives a comprehensive overview and statistics of PETI’s work during the 2014-2019 parliamentary term.

The history of the EU budget
Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs

The budget of the European Union has three pillars: its expenditure, its financing and its audit. This briefing looks at the origins of the budget, its development through multiannual planning and annual budgeting. It does so amid the European Parliament’s changing powers over the budget, and the evolution of its financing and of the audit process.

Trade negotiations with Australia and New Zealand
Policy Department for External Relations

Trade is a key policy of the EU. Assessing the impacts of Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) is essential to unlock their full potential and promote a global order based on rules. The workshop requested by the INTA committee dealt with the key aspects of the current negotiations for FTAs between the EU and Australia and New Zealand. The report of the workshop contains an analysis of the context, the opportunities and impact of these FTAs and of their possible synergies with sustainable development.

Forthcoming publications

**CONT** Follow up to the studies on the Code of Conduct for Commissioners - September 2019

**TRAN** European tourism - latest developments and future challenges - October 2019

**DEVE** The use of development funds for de-risking private investment - December 2019

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