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Policy Departments' Monthly Highlights



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The European Schools System: State of Play, Challenges and Perspectives



Dear Reader,

European Schools System (ESS) is an inter-governmental system of educational establishments that offers multicultural and multilingual education to children across EU Member States. In general, the ESS educational system functions well. Nevertheless, it faces particular challenges in pedagogical quality assurance and language learning.

The Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies has launched an in-depth study in order to examine the progress that the European Schools System has made during the past decade and to overview its state of affairs as of 2022, both in its educational and operational dimension. The study also pinpoints the key challenges that the ESS currently faces and provides tailored recommendations on how to overcome them.

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Farm certification schemes for sustainable agriculture

Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies



Certification schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs ensure that certain characteristics or attributes of the product, production method or system are observed.

This study presents the concepts and methods of farm certification schemes and provides information on the main existing schemes in the EU and in third countries. It analyses how these schemes can help the EU reach its sustainability objectives in the farming sector.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

INTA Ways forward for EU-Africa trade and investment relations

Workshop

26 October 2022 - 10:00-12:00 - SPINELLI 3G2

TRAN Investment scenario and roadmap for achieving aviation Green Deal objectives by 2050

Study presentation

26 October 2022 TBC



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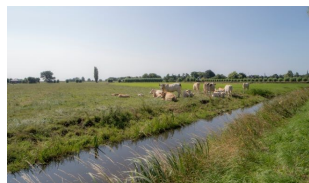
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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Monitoring of nitrogen in water in the EU

Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs



Emissions of nutrients and pesticides are a major source of water pollution in Europe. Agriculture is a major emission source of the nutrients and pesticides. This study provides an overview of the legal and environmental context in which nitrogen emissions to water are measured in the EU. The study explores the development of nitrate concentrations in view of the European Green Deal and provides (policy) recommendations for EU institutions and Member States.



Identifying Patterns of Fraud with EU Funds

Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs



Identifying Patterns of Fraud with EU Funds under Shared Management - Similarities and Differences between Member States. This study examines the extent and nature of fraud in EU funds under shared management. It then examines the measures currently being implemented at the EU level and by Member States to help tackle the problem. A number of good practices are identified.



Environmental criminality in developing countries

Policy Department for External Relations



Environmental crime harms people, other species and the planet. It is one of the most prevalent and profitable forms of crime, yet it remains overlooked. This in-depth analysis explores the nature of environmental crimes and how they are being prevented and responded to in the developing world. A deeper examination of four cases - Colombia, Indonesia, Ghana, DRC - reveals a number of lessons learned, focusing on wildlife, forest and fishery crimes, pollution and waste.



Unionisation and the twin transition

Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies



The pathways to green and digital transitions are not predetermined, and the twin transition can affect workers both positively and negatively. The study requested by the EMPL committee overviews the impacts of the twin (digital and green) transition on the labour market and the workplace. It explores the role of employee involvement, both via social dialogue and collective bargaining and direct co-decision making, in shaping the transition for the better.



FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

- IMCO** A comparative study of Member States' customs authorisation procedures for the entry of products into the European Union - Oct 2022
- CULT** Implementation report on the revised AVMSD - Nov 2022
- FEMM** The legislative frameworks for victims of gender-based violence in the EU - Nov 2022
- SEDE** The EU Rapid Deployment Capacity (EU RDC): This time, it's for real? - Nov 2022
- BUDG** Study on "Social tracking methodology for the EU budget"- Dec 2022

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