EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS' MEETING

- not to be treated in full committee -

IN CAMERA

Tuesday, 19 April 2016, 9.00-10.30
Room PHS 3C050


Present:
Mr La Via, Chair
Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group
Mr Groote, Coordinator of the S&D group
Ms Girling, Coordinator of the ECR group
Mr Gerbrandy, Coordinator of the ALDE group
Ms Konečná, Coordinator of the GUE/NGL group
Mr Staes, Acting Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group
Mr Pedicini, Coordinator of the EFDD group
Ms D'Ornano, Coordinator of the ENF group

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA

The draft agenda was adopted in the form shown in these minutes.

2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
2.1 Main items discussed at last CCC meeting

Interinstitutional agreement on Better Law-Making
The Chair informed that he would ask that ENVI be associated to the work on the delineation criteria between delegated and implementing acts and the arrangements on international agreements.

Exchange of views with Mr Giegold, AFCO rapporteur on Transparency, accountability and integrity in the EU institutions
The Chair asked coordinators to intervene in their groups on the issue of publication of documents of ongoing trilogues by bringing the practical experience of a legislative committee.

2.2 Action Plan on Circular economy
Political groups were asked to send proposals in writing on the follow-up to the dialogue with VP Katainen by 3rd May closure of business so that the item be included for decision in the coordinators agenda in May.
2.3 **Presentation of legislative proposals on climate**
An extraordinary ENVI meeting will take place in Strasbourg on Thursday 7 July from 9.30-11.00, where Commissioner Arias Cañete will present the legislative proposals on climate and the communication on decarbonisation of transport, which are scheduled for adoption by the College on 29 June.

2.4 **European Court of Auditors Special Report on "Combatting eutrophication in the Baltic Sea: further and more effective action needed"**
Coordinators decided not to organise a presentation of the above report in ENVI.

2.5 **Type approval**
The Chair drew the coordinators attention to the latest letter from the IMCO Chair on this topic.

3. **DECISIONS ON PROCEDURE**

**Decisions on procedure**

**Reports**
None

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**Own-initiative reports**
None

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**Legislative opinions**

1. **Conservation of fishery resources and the protection of marine ecosystems through technical measures**
   
   
   Responsible: PECH – (PPE)

   **Decision taken:** S&D rapporteur for opinion (1 point)

2. **Laying down rules on the making available on the market of CE marked fertilising products**
   
   
   Responsible: IMCO

   Opinions: ENVI, ITRE, AGRI

   **Decision taken:** Request the application of the joint committee procedure (Rule 55).
3. Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, as regards its provisions on obligations related to judicial cooperation in criminal matters and the definition of criminal offences

Responsible: LIBE Opinions: ENVI, ECON, CONT, INTA, IMCO

**Decision taken:** No formal opinion. If the LIBE committee decides to accompany its report with a resolution, interested Members could table amendments directly in LIBE.

4. Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, in so far as the provisions of the Protocol which do not fall under Title V of Part III of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union are concerned

Responsible: INTA Opinions: ENVI, ECON, IMCO

**Decision taken:** No opinion.

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Non-legislative opinions

5. JURI Own-initiative report on "Delegated acts: a stocktaking and future prospects"

**Decision taken:** EPP rapporteur for opinion (0,5 points)

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Documents received for information


COM(2016)0105

**Decision taken:** Invite the Commission for a presentation


COM(2016)0151

**Decision taken:** No action needed, for information only.
8. Proposal for a Council decision on the submission, on behalf of the European Union, of a proposal for the listing of additional chemicals in Annex A, B and/or C to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants
COM(2016)0154

**Decision taken:** No action needed, for information only.

COM(2016)0169

**Decision taken:** No action needed, for information only.

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**Other documents received**

SWD(2016)0045

11. Commission staff working document Genetically modified commodities in the EU
SWD(2016)0061

SWD(2016)0064

SWD(2016)0065

14. Commission staff working document Young-child formulae: background information
Accompanying the document Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on young-child formulae
SWD(2016)0099

4. DECISIONS ON URGENT MATTERS

4.1 **INTA Committee request for application of Rule 54 to the mercury regulation**

**Decision taken:** To mandate the Chair to reply, firmly rejecting the request of the INTA Committee.
4.2 Change of function of Dr Hey, EP representative in EEA Management Board

**Decision taken:** To end the mandate of Dr Hey as EP alternate representative on the Management Board of the EEA and not to appointment a replacement for the remaining 1.5 year of the term.

5. DECISIONS RELATED TO NON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

5.1 Proposal for ENVI study on decision-making process of ICAO and IMO in respect of environmental regulations

**Decision taken:** To request the preparation of a briefing note.

5.2 Motion for resolution on a labelling system of ritually slaughtered meat

**Decision taken:** To take no action at this stage.

5.3 Criteria for Endocrine Disruptors - Follow-up to the EGC ruling in the case Case T-521/14 Sweden v. Commission

**Decision taken:** To ask for an opinion of the EP Legal Service, including on the possible options for action.

5.4 Possible invitation to the European Commission’s new Scientific Advice Mechanism (SAM) to ENVI for an exchange of views

**Decision taken:** To invite the Chair of the High Level Group of Scientific Advisors to a next ENVI meeting.

5.4a AGRI INI report on Technological solutions for sustainable agriculture in the EU (2015/2225(INI)) - Overlapping with ENVI competencies

**Decision taken:** To take no action, as the AGRI vote is already scheduled for 26 April.

6. PROPOSALS FOR DECISION WITHOUT DEBATE

6.1 Decisions on procedure

6.1.1 Motions for resolution Rule 133

1. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on reviewing legislation on deforestation and on the protection and conservation of natural mountain environments by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0291/2016


5. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the redefinition of legislation for the control of landfills and their environmental impact by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0397/2016
6. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on labelling products derived from GMO-fed animals by Sophie Montel, Florian Philippot - B8-0398/2016
7. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on labelling products derived from GMO-fed animals by Sophie Montel, Florian Philippot - B8-0397/2016
8. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on stepping up research into rare diseases by Aldo Patriciello - B8-0404/2016
10. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on stepping up research into rare diseases by Aldo Patriciello - B8-0404/2016
13. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the protection of the region and hydrogeological instability in Member States by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0419/2016
14. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the protection of the region and hydrogeological instability in Member States by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0419/2016
15. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the introduction of more effective regulations to reduce emissions of harmful gases which pollute the air by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0429/2016
16. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the spread of the Zika virus in Italy and Europe by Mara Bizzotto - B8-0445/2016
17. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on providing incentives for the use of organic waste to produce clean energy by Gianluca Buonanno - B8-0448/2016

Decision taken: No follow-up needed. The Chair will reply accordingly to the author(s) of the motions for resolution.

6.1.2 Short-list of candidates for INI reports

The following issue is currently on the short-list:

☐ Adding water to foods obtained from fishing - follow-up to motion for resolution B8-0608/2015

Decision taken: To take note of the issue currently on the short-list

6.2 Petitions for opinion

☐ Petition No 2692/2014 by Jerzy Walosik and Tibor Petrys (Polish and Hungarian) on behalf of the European Environmental Protection Association regarding the plans for tank less storage of liquefied carbon dioxide.

Decision taken: No opinion - the Chairman can reply by letter to the PETI Chair.
6.3 Delegation to EEA - Change of date

**Decision taken:** To modify the date of the mission to 10-11 November and ask the relevant groups to reconfirm participants in this mission taking into account that no interpretation will be provided.

6.4 High Level Study Tour of Chinese Officials on ETS

**Decision taken:** To endorse the organisation of a coordinators meeting open to the ETS rapporteur and shadow rapporteurs, to the members of the forthcoming mission to China, as well as to members of the delegation for relations with China, on Wednesday, 1 June pm (16.00-18.00)

6.5 Implementation reports - Decision of the Conference of Presidents of 7 April 2016

6.5.1 Application of the CoP decision to the ongoing ENVI implementation reports

**Decision taken:** To apply the new format decided by the Conference of Presidents to the two ongoing implementation reports in ENVI

6.5.2 Request for extension of the 12 months deadline in relation to the report on Mining Waste (Hölvényi)

**Decision taken:** To agree to an extension until end of January 2017 and mandate the Chair to inform accordingly the Conference of Committee Chairs.

6.5a Use of ENVI Committee expertise budget - Request for a workshop on the INI report on "EU options for improving access to medicines"

**Decision taken:** To authorise the use of the expertise budget for the workshop on "EU options for improving access to medicine" foreseen in June 2016.

7. POINTS FOR INFORMATION

7.1 On-going INI reports in ENVI

The file included the list of on-going INI reports.

7.2 Petitions for information

- Petition No 2438/2014 by Lentfort Ludwig (German) on obstacles to the free flow of goods in the EU through the labelling pork products based on their origin.

- Petition No 0694/2015 by Efstratias Kambouri (Greek), bearing 108 signatures, on alleged infringements of EU law and European agreements regarding the award of a contract for the development of a large area of land on the site of the former Ellinikon Airport in Attica.

- Petition No 0058/2015 by Mario Cortes Morales (Spanish) on behalf of the Platform for People Affected by Hepatitis C, on the creation of a European plan to eradicate hepatitis C.
Petition No 0593/2015 by S.F.L. (German) concerning the setup of a network or sirens to mobilise the population in the event of danger or natural disaster.

7.3  Rolling check-list on reporting and review clauses in EU legislation

The updated rolling check-list was included in the file.

7.4  Ombudsman Own-initiative: Delay in the Commission's handling, under the REACH Regulation, of compliance check files and proposals aimed at testing the reproductive toxicity effects of over 200 chemicals

The file included the letter transmitted to the Chair, for information, by the Ombudsman office.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

9. NEXT COORDINATORS' MEETING

Tuesday, 19 April, 15.00-15.45 (extraordinary meeting with EP representatives in the ECDC MB)
Tuesday, 24 May 2016, 9.00-10.00 (tbc)