EMPL COORDINATORS’ MEETING

Thursday, 9 March 2017, 10:00 - 11:30 hrs

Room PHS 6B054 Brussels

RESULTS

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The meeting started at 10:08 hrs and closed at 11:15 hrs. In the Chair: Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair

Present

Chair  Ms Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair
EPP  Mr David Casa, Coordinator
S&D  Ms Agnes Jongerius, replacing the Coordinator
ECR  Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator
ALDE  Ms Enrique Calvet Chambon, Coordinator
GUE/NGL  Ms Paloma Lopez Bermejo, replacing the GUE Coordinators
Greens/EFA  Ms Karima Delli, replacing the Greens/EFA Coordinator

Apologies

Chair  Mr Thomas Händel, EMPL Chair
S&D  Ms Jutta Steinruck, Coordinator
GUE/NGL  Mr João Pimenta Lopes, Co-Coordinator,
           Ms Rina Ronja Kari, Co-coordinator
Greens/EFA  Ms Jean Lambert, Coordinator
EFDD  Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator
1. Chair’s announcements

1.1 Interpretation

Interpretation was available in the following languages: DE, EN, FR and Spanish passive.

1.2 Votes on 8 December 2016 - unintentional misuse of a voting card

The Coordinators

- heard Ms Jongerius who raised the problem that Mr Arne Gericke (ECR) had used the voting card of Mr Adam Gierek (S&D) during the vote on the report on the European Pillar of Social Rights on 8 December 2016
- heard the secretariat which explained that following lengthy investigations it had turned out that Mr Gericke had been given by mistake the voting card of Mr Gierek and that this misuse had not been noticed during the votes on 8 December 2016 and that a corrigendum to the final report had been prepared
- agreed that all measures should be taken to avoid such misuse of voting cards in the future.

1.3 Timing of voting sessions

The Coordinators regretted that the voting session on 28 February 2017 had started at 9 a.m. and agreed that in the future all morning voting sessions should not start before 9:30 a.m.

1.4 Invitations to Commissioners

- Vice-President Dombrovskis and Commissioner Thyssen will participate in an exchange of views in EMPL under the Structured Dialogue exercise on 2 May, from 15:00 to 17:00.
- Vice-President Katainen will participate in an exchange of views in EMPL under the Structured Dialogue exercise on 30 May, from 9:00 to 10:30.
- The drafting of the written EMPL contribution for the Structured Dialogue will commence as and when the CCC indicates the timetable and the number of priorities are expected from each committee.

1.5 Update on Brexit:

- On UK side:

The House of Lords amended the Government’s Bill authorising it to send the Article 50 notification last week. This amendment sought to protect the rights of EU-27 citizens currently living in the UK following a UK withdrawal from the EU. A further amendment requiring the Government to obtain Parliament’s approval to leave the EU “without an agreement as to the applicable terms” (the so-called WTO-terms exit) appeared to have good chances of being
approved. Most commentators expected the House of Commons to reject the Lords’ amendment[s]. The British Government’s wish to make the Article 50 notification on or around 15 March (in advance of the announced deadline of the end of March) still appeared realistic despite the adoption of at least one amendment by the Lords.

- **On EP side:**
  - Following the CCC meeting of 14 February, committees Chairs were informed on 15 February that, in view of the preparation of the EP resolution, which would be adopted as soon as possible after the triggering of Art. 50 TEU by the UK, Committees possible (short) input should be sent to the CCC Secretariat by Wednesday 1 March at noon.
  - Against this background, the EMPL Secretariat prepared a draft contribution, which was circulated to the coordinators and Members of the Brexit Working Party on 21 February (deadline for comments: 27 February); the EMPL contribution was finalised between 28 February and 1st March and sent to CCC on 1st March (see Annex).
  - **Next steps:** the resolution, prepared by the CoP after consulting the CCC, and signed by as many group leaders as possible, and by the Chair of the AFSC committee, will be tabled directly to plenary (second half of March at an extra session). Hence, groups will have now further possibilities to contribute to this resolution.

Mechanism for following negotiations remains to be defined.

**Decision:**

The Coordinators

- held a far-ranging exchange of views on the question as to which kind of reference to Gibraltar and to Northern Ireland should be made in the ‘EMPL input to EP resolution in view of the European Council negotiation guidelines’ which had been submitted by the Chair to CCC at the request of CCC Chair Ms Wikström;
- agreed that in general the free movement of workers between the UK and the EU27 remained an issue of great importance;
- agreed to refer to Gibraltar in the EMPL contribution as “European territories for whose external relations a Member State is responsible” as defined in Article 355(3) TFEU. [EC]

2. **Follow-up to previous Coordinators’ decisions**

2.1 Follow-up to exchange of views on 5 December 2016 with Pedro Martins, member of the expert group on labour market and social reforms in Greece under the Memorandum of Understanding (MM)

The exchange of views was held with Mr Martins on 5 December 2016. The Memorandum of Understanding imposes labour market reforms. The expert group took a position on the

1 http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/assistance_eu_ms/greek_loan_facility/index_en.htm

Section 4.1. of the MoU:
proposed reforms. Ms Jongerius suggested during the exchange of views to question the ‘Troika/Institutions’ as to how it would take account of the recommendations of the experts.

Decision of 15 December

The Coordinators decided to invite
- those representatives of the European Commission who are responsible for negotiations on Greek labour market reforms under the MoU
- a representative of the ILO
- a representative of the Council of Europe
- a representative of the Eurogroup

to an exchange of views at a future EMPL meeting.

Note: The Chair informed the secretariat after the meeting that two other Members of the expert group had approached him announcing that they would submit their position in writing in order to illustrate the views of the majority within that group.

Decision of 9 February

The Coordinators also decided to invite a representative of the Greek unions.

Update:
The following representatives have been invited to a future EMPL meeting:

- EC: Mr Marco Buti, DG ECFIN, Director General, replaced by Mr Declan Costello, chief negotiator is available for an exchange of views; date and time to be agreed

- Eurogroup: Mr Dijsselbloem
  He rejected the invitation. After the Dutch elections and the ensuing potential change in the Presidency of the Eurogroup, the President will be invited again.

- Council of Europe: Mr Giuseppe Palmisano, Committee of Social Rights, President: No reaction so far

- ILO: Mr Guy Ryder, Director-General
  He is available for an exchange of views; date and time to be agreed

- General Confederation of Greek Workers (GSEE): Mr Yannis Panagopoulos, President

Decision: The Coordinators agreed that the above persons should be invited for a single exchange of views on the same day.

2 See the documents listed under item 6:
2.2 Adapting a number of legal acts providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny to Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (BM)

On 9 February Coordinators decided to deliver an opinion in the form of a letter (Rule 53(1)). Draft letter is under preparation and will be circulated to Coordinators for comments.

2.3 A. European services e-card and related administrative facilities (AD tbc)

2016/0403(COD) COM(2016)0824 Responsible: IMCO

B. Legal and operational framework of the European services e-card introduced by Regulation ....[ESC Regulation].... (AD tbc)

2016/0402(COD) COM(2016)0823 Responsible: IMCO

The secretariat was invited to submit additional information so as to assess whether a request for Rule 54 might be warranted, the decision to be taken at the next meeting (time permitting) or by a written procedure.

Decision:

The Coordinators held an exchange of views, noted that the S&D and the GUE/NGL groups were in favour of requesting Rule 54 and decided by a majority to draft the opinion on the basis of Rule 53.

3. Pending conflicts of competence

3.1. Request by EMPL to apply Rule 54 to the AFCO report on the implementation of the EU Fundamental Rights Charter (RS)

EMPL Coordinators, at their meeting of 15 December 2016, requested the application of Rule 54. Accordingly, the EMPL Chair, by letter of 16 January 2017 to the CCC Chair, requested the application of Rule 54. By letters of 10 January 2017 and 15 December 2016, the CCC Chair was informed by the Chairs of AFCO, PETI and LIBE that they agreed on a 53+arrangement (initially PETI and LIBE asked for the application of Rule 55). By letter of 8 February 2017, the AFCO Chair asked the CCC to help to find a similar 53+ arrangement with EMPL. According to information from the AFCO Secretariat of 1 March, this request is pending at CCC level.

3.2. Request by EMPL to apply Rule 54 to the JURI report regarding the Proposal for a Directive of the EP and of the Council on preventive restructuring frameworks, second chance and measures to increase the efficiency of restructuring, insolvency and discharge procedures and amending Directive 2012/30/EU (JuB)
The position of the EMPL coordinators of 15 December 2016, namely to apply rule 54 regarding the EMPL fields of responsibility, was communicated by letter of 31 January 2017 from the EMPL Chair to the CCC.

At its meeting on 1 February 2017, the CCC invited EMPL and JURI to find an agreement by 10 February 2017.

By letter of 9 February 2017 (letter included in the meeting documents), the JURI Chair opposes the EMPL request for Rule 54.

3.3. Proportionality test before adoption of new regulation of professions (MM)

EMPL/8/09036

***I 2016/0404(COD) COM(2016)0822 – C8-0012/2017

Responsible: IMCO

On 9 February Coordinators decided to request Rule 54.

A letter to request Rule 54 has been sent to CCC and in copy to IMCO Chair (the letter could be found among the annexes).

4. Letters for information:

4.1. Letter from EC Vice-President Maroš ŠEFCOVIČ on the Energy Union (the text of the letter could be found among the annexes)

4.2. Letter from Pavel Trantina, President of SOC, EESC on closer cooperation between the EMPL Committee and the EESC

4.3. Letter from Jean-Claude Junker to President Tajani - reply to a letter dated 01/12/2016 concerning the invitation of Commissioner AVRAMOPOULOS to the EMPL Committee

4.4. Letter from Jean-Claude Junket to President Tajani regarding the follow-up of the Joint declaration of the EU legislative priorities for 2017 and the creation of a working tool for assessment of the state of play of each initiative.

4.5. Inadmissibility of conclusions 22-30 of the ECON's European Semester (Hökmark) report - reply from President Tajani to the EMPL Chair

4.6. FEMM and EMPL Committees Call for action on Reconciliation of work and private life -letter to Commissioners Jourova and Thyssen

4.7. Appointment of the EMPL representatives to the STOA panel - letter by the EMPL Chair to President Tajani

4.8. Letter from IMCO dated 24 February 2017 on the timetable of the Accessibility Act
5. Allocation of reports and opinions

*For information: own-initiative reports for which authorisation was requested*

*(no more than 3 at any given time):*

The following ordinary INI reports are currently progressing:

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<td>Neoklis SYLIKIOTIS - Working conditions and precarious employment (JuB)</td>
<td>09.06.2016</td>
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³ The ALDE Coordinator expressed his preference for a speedier timetable.
The following implementation reports are currently in progress:

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<td>Rapporteur EPP, Romana Tomc - The implementation of the Youth Employment Initiative in the Member States (PR)</td>
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Rapports d’application adoptés en Commission EMPL

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<td>European Year of Active Ageing</td>
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**Decisions on new own-initiative reports**

- The regular INI quota is down to 3 (from previously 6).
- Applicable immediately, no fresh INIs will be authorised until we are below the threshold of three.
- Implementation reports are not affected.

"[...] During the second half of a parliamentary term, each parliamentary committee may simultaneously draft up to three own-initiative reports. [...]"


**Candidate list for own-initiative reports - updated table:**

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| 0     |      | Non-legislative aspects of Labour Mobility package, incl. labour mobility in cross-border regions | Coordinators’ decision of 28.9.2015  
On 1.9.2016, the item was postponed, pending further clarification as to the contents of the Commission proposal(s) following a shift in focus (social security) of the announced Commission proposal. | Consensus |  
Consensus on 1.9.2016 |
|       |      | Combating inequalities as a lever to boost job creation and growth | Coordinators’ decision of 28.9.2015  
Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016 | merged S&D ALDE  
Consensus on 1.9.2016 |
|       |      | Minimum income policies as a tool to tackle poverty | Coordinators’ decision of 28.9.2015  
Covered by INI on Social pillar etc, Coordinators’ decision of 14.4.2016  
Reinstated, Coordinators’ decision of 26.4.2016  
Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016 | EFDD  
Consensus on 1.9.2016 |
<p>| 1     |      | Delivering sustainable long-term employment through re-shoring. The role of employer led vocational education and | Coordinators’ decision of 15.10.2015 | ECR |</p>
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<td>The campaign of the International Labour Organisation to ratify the Protocol on Forced Labour and to contemporary forms of severe labour exploitation</td>
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5.1 Budgetary procedure 2018 (EC)

5.1.1. Pilot projects/Preparatory actions proposals for 2018

Decision:

EMPL TIMETABLE - Pilot projects/Preparatory actions

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<td>Deadline for transmission to EMPL SECRETARIAT of preliminary proposals of Pilot Projects-Preparatory Actions by political groups</td>
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<td>3 May, noon</td>
<td>Deadline for transmission by Committees of a preliminary list of PP-PAs to BUDG</td>
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<td>End June (tbc)</td>
<td>Result of the Commission's assessment will be available</td>
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<td>10-11 July</td>
<td>Possible exchange of views on Ps/PAs in BUDG</td>
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<td>13 July</td>
<td>Discussion of the proposals in EMPL coordinators - Coordinators select a limited number of proposals taking into account the assessment made by DG EMPL</td>
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N.B: Members whose PPs/PAs have not been selected can table them again in EMPL, or directly to BUDG (deadline 31 August noon, see below)

| 14 July noon       | Selected PPs/PAs are transformed into budgetary amendments by the EMPL budget Rapporteur |
| 14 July, noon      | Deadline for other Members to table PPs/PAS as budgetary AMs                      |
| 31 August morning  | Vote in EMPL                                                                       |
| 31 August, 12h     | Deadline for tabling budgetary AMs (including PPs and PAs):                       |
|                    | • by individual Members to BUDG                                                    |
5.1.2. 2018 BUDGET – MANDATE FOR A TRILOGUE

**Decision:**

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5.1.3. BUDGET 2018 section III

**Decision:**

**TIMETABLE - EMPL Draft opinion**

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### Draft opinion ready

**16 May tbc**

### Consideration draft opinion in EMPL

**11-12 July**

### COREPER ADOPTION Of Council’s position

**Mid July**

### Deadline for amendments in EMPL

**14 July at noon**

### Vote EMPL

**31 August**

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**Decision**

**The Coordinators**

- decided on the procedure for PPs/PAs (see above)
- endorsed the proposed timetables;
- decided that the Rapporteur for the 2018 budget in EMPL should be nominated by the EPP Group;
- decided to invite the Commission services to present the state-of-play on the ongoing PPs and PAs.

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**5.2. Initial qualification and periodic training of drivers of certain road vehicles for the carriage of goods or passengers and driving licences (CF)**

EMPL/8/09187

***I 2017/0015(COD) COM(2017)0047 – C8-0025/2017

**Responsible:** TRAN

**Decision:**

No opinion

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**5.3. Amending Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 on rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission’s exercise of implementing powers (BM)**

EMPL/8/09310

***I 2017/0035(COD) COM(2017)0085

**Responsible:** JURI

**Decision:**

No opinion.
5.4. Progress report on the implementation of the European Disability Strategy (2010-2020)

SWD(2017)29 (MM)

5.5. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Investing in Europe's youth (PR)

COM(2016)0940

Decision:

Draw up an implementation report.

Rapporteur to be appointed by the ECR Group.

5.6. Commission staff working document Health and Safety at Work is Everybody's Business A Practical guidance for employers Accompanying the document communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Safer and Healthier Work for All - Modernisation of the EU Occupational Safety and Health Legislation and Policy (CF)

SWD(2017)0009

5.7. Commission staff working document Ex-post evaluation of the European Union occupational safety and health Directives (REFIT evaluation) Accompanying the document communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Safer and Healthier Work for All - Modernisation of the EU Occupational Safety and Health Legislation and Policy

SWD(2017)0010

Decision:

No specific action for these two points

6. European Solidarity Corps initiative - Oral Question (LS)

Annex: request by the EMPL Chair, text of the legal opinion by the Jurisconsult

Decision:

The Coordinators

- noted that the Commission's long-term planning foresees the adoption of the following initiatives on 24 May 2017:
Youth Initiative: modernising school and higher education; proposal for improved tracking of outcomes for graduates and also young people who have followed vocational education and training

Legal proposal consolidating the European Solidarity Corps

- noted that the CULT Committee had decided to draw up an Oral Question and a resolution on the European Solidarity Corps initiative
- agreed, given the limitation of Oral Questions to 25 lines, to draw up a separate Oral Question focussing on EMPL issues (draft to be circulated on 10 March; comments by Coordinators by 14 March COB; vote in EMPL on 22 March)
- invited the secretariat, acting under the political authority of the Chair, to find ways and means of working together with CULT on a joint their resolution.

7. **EMPL hearings in the second half of 2017**

1. Annual quota for hearings: 16 reimbursed experts.

2. Requests for hearings during the 2nd half of 2017 must be submitted to CCC by 23 March 2017.

It is recommended to limit the number of hearings in the 2nd half to two, one in October and one in November.

Political groups were kindly asked to send their proposals for hearings for the 2nd half of 2017 by e-mail at the latest by 1 March 2017 COB to the secretariat.

**Background information:**

- Each committee may hear a maximum of 16 guests each year whose expenses will be covered. (EMPL might have used up to 8 experts in the in the 1st half of the year, as well as the 2 experts to be selected for the joint LIBE/EMPL/PETI hearing on EU nationals in the UK.

- Hearings shall take place on Parliament’s premises during the ordinary meeting time of the organising committee.

- It is recommended to link hearings to ongoing legislative or non-legislative reports.

The Secretariat has received suggestions for public hearings, which can be found summarised in a table, annexed to the notes.

A list of hearings held since the beginning of the parliamentary term is also annexed to the notes.

**Decision:**

The Coordinators

A) agree on the principle of holding a joint LIBE/EMPL/PETI hearing on *The situation and the rights of EU nationals in the UK* on the understanding that the meeting room of the bigger LIBE Committee will be used during a LIBE meeting slot which does not clash with an EMPI meeting slot.
Preferred dates 3 May p.m. and 4 May. Up to 2 reimbursed experts form EMPL. PETI already endorsed the initiative. [EC/CF]

B) confirmed two previously agreed hearings for the second half of 2017:

1. ‘The impact of business models, including the platform economy, on employment and social security in the EU’, to be held on 13 July 2017, max 4 reimbursed experts [Coordinators’ decision of 9 February 2017] [RS/JuB]

2. ‘Working conditions of mobile workers’, jointly with TRAN, to be held in October 2017 (e.g. on 9-10 October in EMPL or on 11-12 October in TRAN, date tbc), max 2 reimbursed experts [Coordinators’ decision of 9 June 2016] [CF/RS]

C) noted that the above hearing programme would exhaust EMPL’s expert quota of 16.

The Coordinators agreed to consider the topic of one additional hearing to be held in November at a later stage if it became apparent that the quota of reimbursed experts would not be exhausted.
8. Possible presentation of the EP pilot project on “The Future of Manufacturing in Europe” at a joint EMPL – ITRE committee meeting (PR)

Annex: text of the request, proceedings of a seminar on The Future of Manufacturing in Europe

Decision:

The Coordinators agreed to a presentation of the pilot project ‘The Future of Manufacturing in Europe’ to be held jointly with the ITRE committee on 6 November 2017.

9. The potential role of impact assessments of Parliament’s substantive amendments in the legislative process of the EMPL Committee (RS)

The Coordinators

- heard Ms McIntyre, Coordinator of the ECR Group, who invited the Coordinators to reflect upon ways and means of using impact assessments at committee level as part of the legislative process
- decided to hold an exchange of views at their next meeting in the presence of representatives of DG EPRS.

10. Date of submission for proposals for PolDep Studies (LS/PolDep)

The Chair reminded the Coordinators that the deadline for submitting proposals as to possible studies, briefings and workshops would expire on 9 March 2017, closure of business.

11. Motions for Resolution⁴ - decision on procedure (CF)

Annex: text of the motions

⁴ Rule 133

1. Any Member may table a motion for a resolution on a matter falling within the spheres of activity of the European Union. The motion may not comprise more than 200 words.
2. The committee responsible shall decide what procedure is to be adopted. It may combine the motion for a resolution with other motions for resolutions or reports. It may adopt an opinion, which may take the form of a letter. It may decide to draw up a report under Rule 52.
3. The authors of a motion for a resolution shall be informed of the decisions of the committee and of the Conference of Presidents.
4. The report shall contain the text of the motion for a resolution.
5. Opinions in the form of a letter addressed to other institutions of the European Union shall be forwarded by the President.
12. Petitions (CF)

A. Petitions received for opinion

none

B. Petitions received for information

Petition No 0049/2016 on foreign trade and compliance with UN conventions
Petition No 0665/2016 on salary threshold for skilled workers originating from countries outside Germany
Petitions No 0766/2016 on the introduction of a minimum income at European level
Petitions No 0988/2016, 1026/2016 and 1063/2016 on the abuse of fixed-term contracts in the Italian health sector
Petition No 1071/2016 on the working time of professional firefighters

13. Points for information

12.1 Timetables Reports:

IESS Regulation"(2016/0264(COD) - Rapporteur Tamás Meszerics - REVISED TIMETABLE

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6. The author or authors of a motion for a resolution tabled under Rule 123(2), 128(5) or 135(2) shall be entitled to withdraw it before the final vote.

7. A motion for a resolution tabled in accordance with paragraph 1 may be withdrawn by its author, authors or first signatory before the committee responsible has decided, in accordance with paragraph 2, to draw up a report on it. Once the motion has been thus taken over by the committee, only the committee shall be empowered to withdraw it up until the opening of the final vote.

8. A withdrawn motion for a resolution may be taken over and retabled immediately by a group, a committee or the same number of Members as is entitled to table it.

Committees have a duty to ensure that motions for resolutions tabled under this Rule which meet the requirements laid down are followed up and duly referred to in the resulting documents.
12.2. **Timetables Opinions:**

*Women’s Economic Empowerment in the Private and Public Sectors in the EU* (rapp: Tania Gonzalez Penas)

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**Financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union - REVISED TIMETABLE**

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*(revised dates shown in red)*

The Coordinators decided that the draft opinion (in FR original) should be made available as soon as possible to all shadow rapporteurs and that a priority translation into English should be requested.

**Qualification regulation  (Rapporteur: Brando Benifei) - REVISED TIMETABLE**

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12.3. **Use of EMPL annual translation reserve**

*So far, EMPL has used 1.59 pages out of 45 pages in total (for the Agea PR on on minimum income policies as a tool for fighting poverty) - summary table is annexed to the notes*

12.4 EMPL Delegation to Estonia, 22-24 May 2017
On 14 December 2016, the Conference of President granted the authorisation for the EMPL Committee to send an ad-hoc delegation, composed of up to 7 Members to Tallin, Estonia, during the May turquoise week. On 16 January 2017, the Bureau confirmed this authorisation.

The main purpose of the delegation visit is to study the employment and social effects of a highly advanced digital economy and to establish contacts with social partners and other stakeholders on the establishment of a European Pillar of Social Rights and the most recent developments regarding the free movement of persons in the EU, including posting of workers and the issue of the so-called brain-drain. Also, the functioning of the ESF and YEI will be inspected.

According to the EMPL practice, the Chair leads the delegation, the next 7 places according to the d’Hondt system are as follows:

**Chair:** Outside quota

1. GUE/NGL
2. S&D
3. EPP
4. S&D
5. EPP
6. ALDE
7. Greens

On 2 February, the Coordinators invited political groups to communicate to the Secretariat the names of Members taking part in the delegation, **at the latest by Thursday 2 March 2017 noon**.

*The list of participants is presented in Annex (5 + Chair).*

### 14. Dates of next Coordinators’ meetings (JK/LE)

The next Coordinators’ meetings will take place on

- Thursday, 6 April, 10.00-11.30
- Thursday, 11 May, 10.00-11.30
- Thursday, 8 June, 10.00-11.30
- Thursday, 13 July, 14.00-15.30
- Thursday, 7 September, 10.00-11.30
- Thursday, 12 October, 10.00-11.30

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5 Meeting in Strasbourg

6 As part of an EMPL meeting
• Thursday, 16 November, 10.00-11.30
• Thursday, 7 December, 10.00-11.30

Meeting in Strasbourg

7 Meeting in Strasbourg