CO-ORDINATORS’ MEETING
- not to be treated in full committee -

Tuesday, 20 March 2018, 9.00-10.30
Room JAN 4Q2

COORDINATORS’ RESULTS

Present:
Ms Vălean, Chair
Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group
Mr Dalli, Coordinator of the S&D group
Mr Piecha, Acting Coordinator of the ECR group
Mr Gerbrandy, Coordinator of the ALDE group
Mr Eickhout, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group
Ms Konecná, Coordinator of the GUE/NLG group
Ms Reid, Coordinator of the EFDD group

For item 2: Ms Ayuso, contact person for EFSA

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA
The draft agenda was adopted in the form shown in these minutes.

At 9.00, in the presence of Ms Ayuso, contact person for EFSA

2. REPLACEMENT OF 7 MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF EFSA

Decision taken: Postponed to next meeting
An informal legal opinion will be asked to EP Legal Service on the meaning of article 25 of the EFSA regulation.
3. CHAIR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

3.1 Main items discussed at last CCC

3.1.1 Structured dialogue

This year’s structured dialogue and committees’ contribution to the CCC summary report should rather focus on taking stock of the work done and of the initiatives already planned.

3.1.2 MFF Programmes

Commissioner Oettinger will address the CCC on the upcoming MFF and specific spending programmes in an extraordinary meeting in mid-April. To advance work as much as possible the CCC will have a special procedure to address potential conflicts among committees as well as requests for Rule 54 and 55.

3.2 Conference of Presidents’ decisions in view of end of legislature

At its meeting of 15 March the Conference of Presidents, in order to allow parliamentary committees to proceed with pending files for this parliamentary term and to ensure that Parliament can deliver on its commitments decided the following:

- requests for own-initiative reports and implementation reports must be submitted to the Conference of Committee Chairs at the latest by 17 April 2018 and to the Conference of Presidents at the latest by 1 May 2018;

- no extension of the 12 months deadline for the vote in committee on implementation reports be permissible for the remainder of the parliamentary term as of 1 April 2018;

- any possible question of competence/request for Rule 54/55 be promptly submitted to the Conference of Committee Chairs after the referral to committee, preferably within two weeks after the announcement in plenary, with a view to being considered and settled by the Conference of Committee Chairs and the Conference of Presidents as swiftly as possible.

- committees may also meet exceptionally during week 44 (29 to 31 October 2018) and week 51 (17 to 21 December 2018), which are weeks set aside for external parliamentary activities, if necessary in view of their workload.

4. DECISIONS ON PROCEDURE

A. Legislative and non-legislative files already referred to ENVI

Reports
None

Own-initiative reports
None
Legislative opinions

1. 2019 budget - Trilogue mandate
   ENVI/8/12260  2018/2024(BUD)
   Responsible: BUDG – Daniele Viotti (S&D)

   Decision taken: Coordinators took note of and endorsed the procedure and timetables in relation to this year’s budgetary procedure (Budget 2019)

2. Establishing a multi-annual plan for the fisheries exploiting demersal stocks in the western Mediterranean Sea
   Responsible: PECH

   Decision taken: Rule 53.4 (position in the form of amendments) * * *

Non-legislative opinions

3. REGI own-initiative report on "Boosting growth and cohesion in EU border regions"

   Decision taken: No opinion * * *

Documents received for information

4. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on a monitoring framework for the circular economy COM(2018)0029

   Decision taken: To draft an OQ + resolution. A deadline for political groups to inform the secretariat on the names of co-sponsors was set for Wednesday, 11 April closure of business


   Decision taken: No action needed, for information only.


   Decision taken: No action needed, for information only (this report was dealt with also in comitology/DIA newsletter no.644).

Decision taken: No action needed, for information only


Decision taken: Coordinators decided to invite the Commission for an exchange of views in ENVI.

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Other documents received


B. Legislative and non-legislative files expected before the end of the current legislative term

Legislative files

12. Regulation on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Decision taken: EPP rapporteur (2 points)

13. Regulation on minimum quality requirements for reused water

14. Alignment of environmental reporting

15. General Food Law: transparency in scientific assessments and decision-making and governance of EFSA

16. CO2 emissions from lorries
17. Shipping MRV revision
18. LIFE Programme
19. Health Programme
20. Civil Protection Mechanism (RescUE)
21. Single use plastics

*Non-legislative files*

22. Communication on digital transformation of health and care
23. Future of EU energy and climate policy
24. EU pollinators initiative (including an action plan)
25. Towards a Sustainable Europe by 2030 on the follow-up to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, including on the Paris Agreement on Climate Change

**Decision taken:** Coordinators decided to consider items 13 to 25 at an extraordinary coordinators’ meeting on 12 April dedicated to the committee priorities up to the end of the legislature.

5. **DECISIONS ON URGENT MATTERS**

5.1 State of play on cooperation between committees

5.1.1 CO2 emissions from cars - TRAN request for Rule 54

**Decision taken:** No action needed at this stage (awaiting CCC recommendation)

5.1.2 Port facilities for the delivery of waste from ships - ENVI request for Rule 54

**Decision taken:** To maintain the request for Rule 54 with both exclusive and shared competence for ENVI

5.2 **ENVI missions for the second semester 2018 - dates and composition**

The following missions and size of the delegations were agreed:

- **French Alps** (Savoie, Hautes-Alpes and Isère), France (11-13 July (travel included) - 5 Members + Chair).

- **High Level Political Forum on Sustainability (SDGs)** (jointly with DEVE), New York (Ministerial segment: 16-18 July + travel; 5 MEPs + Chair or otherwise equal number of Members as DEVE)
• **Global Climate Action Summit, San Francisco** (12-14 September 2018 + travel; 3 MEPs + Chair)

• **Nijmegen, the Netherlands**, Green Capital 2018 (19-21 September, max 3 days travel included; 5 MEPs + Chair)

• **China on ETS** (29-31 October 2018 + travel; 6 MEPs + Chair)

• **EEA**, Copenhagen 17-18 September (3 Members from special agency quota)

The allocation of seats will be agreed at a next coordinators’ meeting.

5.3 **Experts for Public Hearings in which ENVI is involved**

5.3.1 **AGRI Public Hearing on NBTs**

*Decision taken:* Postponed to next meeting.

5.3.2 **AGRI Public Hearing on Country-of-origin labelling**

*Decision taken:* Postponed to next meeting.

5.4 **Possible extension of deadline for adoption of the Implementation INI reports linked to PEST committee activity**

*Decision taken:* Postponed to next meeting.

6. **DECISIONS RELATED TO NON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

6.1 **2018 ENVI scrutiny plan**

*Decision taken:* Coordinators endorsed the proposal to invite the European Court of Auditors at next ENVI meeting to present two Special Reports. The decision on the draft scrutiny plan as a whole was postponed to next meeting.

6.2 **Possible oral question and resolution on Lyme disease (borreliosis)**

*Decision taken:* Postponed to next meeting.

6.3 **Possible exploratory opinion by EESC**

*Decision taken:* Postponed to next meeting.
6.4 Possible exchange of views on neonicotinoids

**Decision taken:** Postponed to next meeting.

6.5 Possible exchange of views in ENVI with the European Commission on the strategic approach to pollution of water by pharmaceutical substances

**Decision taken:** Postponed to next meeting.

6.6 Possible INI report on the Use of Cannabis for medicinal purposes

**Decision taken:** Postponed to next meeting.

7. PROPOSALS FOR DECISION WITHOUT DEBATE

7.1 Decisions on procedure

7.1.1 Motions for resolution Rule 133
None

7.1.2 Short-list of candidates for INI reports
None

7.2 Petitions for opinion
None

8. POINTS FOR INFORMATION

8.1 On-going INI reports in ENVI
The file included the list of on-going INI reports.

8.2 Petitions for information
None

8.3 Rolling check-list on reporting and review clauses in EU legislation
The updated rolling check-list was included in the file.

8.4 Case-law of interest for the ENVI Committee

- **Case C-441/17, Commission v. Poland**

The case concerns a plan of active management operations authorised by the Polish Minister because of the constant spread of the spruce bark beetle on the Białowieża forest, a Natura 2000 site and ‘special protection area’ under the Birds Directive. In particular, in 2016 the Polish Minister authorised, for the period until 2021, almost a tripling of harvesting of wood in the Białowieża forest district alone, and the carrying out of active forest management operations such as sanitary pruning, reforestation and restoration, in areas where any intervention was previously excluded.

On 20 February 2018, Advocate General Yves Bot delivered his opinion proposing that the Court should rule that Poland has failed to fulfil its obligation under the Habitats and Birds Directives to
ensure that those forest management measures would not adversely affect the integrity of the Białowieska site. In the second place, the Advocate General states that the obligation to undergo an appropriate assessment of the plan’s implications on the site, as well as the precautionary principle have been disregarded.

8.5 **Documents recently published by the European Court of Auditors**

The following documents were recently published:
- Special Report on “Renewable energy for sustainable rural development” (March 2018)
- Background Paper on Organic Food in the EU (February 2018)
- Background Paper on EU and Member State support for wind and solar photovoltaic power generation (February 2018)

8.6 **Final programme of PETI Public Hearing on Endocrine Disruptors (ENVI associated)**
The file included the draft programme for the above hearing.

9. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
None

10. **NEXT COORDINATORS’ MEETING**
Tuesday, 27 March, 9.00-10.00
Thursday, 12 April (time tbc)
Wednesday, 25 April 2018, 14.30-15.15 (tbc)