EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS' RESULTS
- not to be treated in full committee -

Monday 16 September 2019, 18.00-19.30

Room SDM S5 (STRASBOURG)

- Mr Canfin, Chair
- Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group
- Ms Guteland, Coordinator of the S&D group (replaced by Seb Dance at 7 pm)
- Mr Torvalds, Coordinator of the Renew group
- Mr Eickhout, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group
- Ms Sardone, Coordinator of the ID group
- Mr Vondra, Coordinator of the ECR group
- Ms Modig, Coordinator of the GUE/NGL group

16/09/2019

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA

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

2. CHAIR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Decision taken:

* Mercosur agreement:
Coordinators agreed to confirm the invitation of Commissioner Malmström for an exchange of views in line with the provisions of the Framework Agreement between the Commission and the European Parliament.

* UK's withdrawal from the EU:
Coordinators agreed to invite the Commission for a possible exchange of views on the latest developments following the UK's withdrawal from the EU on areas falling within the remit of the Committee (ENVI meeting of 6 November am - the date and time to be reviewed in light of developments).
3. DECISIONS RELATED TO NON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

3.1 Preparation of the hearings of the new Commissioners and adoption of the written questions

Decision taken:

- at the request of coordinators the secretariat will write to the CCC Secretariat to request association for the hearing of Commissioner-designate Goulard (IMCO)
- The following priorities were endorsed by coordinators for the choice of written questions
  - Executive Vice-President on European Green Deal and Climate: European Climate Law/2030 ambition, Financial Resources and Just Transition Fund, Transport Emissions, Contributions of other major economies, Competitiveness - carbon leakage;
  - Commissioner-Designate on Health: Cancer, Health Action Plan/Access to Medicines and Medical Devices, Pesticides, Chemicals and Food Safety, Farm to Fork Strategy
  - Commissioner-Designate on Environment and Oceans (shared with PECH): Biodiversity and Deforestation, Circular Economy, 8th EAP and Zero-pollution Strategy.
- Following a drafting exercise with political groups, the written questions will be endorsed by the coordinators by written procedure

3.2 ENVI follow-up to Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Stepping up EU Action to Protect and Restore the World’s Forests (ES) COM(2019)0352

Decision taken: To challenge the recent change of attribution to AGRI as the lead committee for the Commission communication. To confirm the decision to prepare a legislative initiative report covering part of the communication, but to postpone the decision on the more exact scope to a subsequent meeting after the hearings of the new Commissioners.

3.3 Allocation between political groups of Agencies within ENVI remit and of the Health Working Group

Decision taken: The appointment of contact persons for agencies and co-chairs for the Health Working Group will take place at the next coordinators’ meeting (25/9).

3.4 Appointment of members responsible for the Network on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Gender Mainstreaming Network

Decision taken: Political groups are asked to put forward by 19 September COR the names of Members interested to be ENVI responsible, or substitute for the CRPD Network or for the Gender Mainstreaming Network, in view of their appointment at the coordinators’ meeting of 25 September.

3.5 Request from the Renew group to add to the agenda of the next ENVI meeting the written questions on “EU must protect African elephants”
Decision taken: To send a letter to the Commission as well as to the Council requiring an answer to the written questions as soon as possible

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

5. NEXT COORDINATORS' MEETING

Wednesday, 25 September 2019, (Brussels) (time tbc)