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A WORD FROM THE CHAIR



We have the pleasure in this week's meeting of welcoming two Ministers and a secretary of state representing the Italian Presidency. We are looking forward to an interesting exchange of views on the presidency's priorities in the various areas that our Committee is responsible for. I am confident it will mark the beginning of very fruitful cooperation with the Presidency.

I am glad that the Italian presidency has highlighted the telecoms sector as a priority, in particular the draft Regulation on a European single market for electronic communications, for which ITRE will vote on a mandate to open negotiations with the Council. This is also why there will be presentations by the heads of ENISA and BEREC, as well as by the Commission's Director-General of DG CONNECT.

In other areas within ITRE's remit, we will hear from the Commission on its draft Directive on Earth observation satellite data. There will be an exchange of views on this year's UN Climate Change Conference. Policy department A will present a study on European industry's contribution to growth and competitiveness.

Let me wish you a nice start of what will be a busy but certainly exciting autumn season!

[Jerzy Buzek](#)

MEETING OF 1-2 SEPTEMBER 2014

Resolution on General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2015 - all sections

(Rapporteur: [Jerzy Buzek](#))

Consideration of a [draft opinion](#) & adoption of budget amendments



The ITRE Committee will vote its amendments on budget lines in 2015 Budget and consider its draft opinion on budgetary resolution.

Members tabled a total of 161 amendments on budget lines, mainly aiming at restoring the COM Draft Budget after Council cuts.

The draft opinion on budgetary resolution focuses on key priorities of ITRE Committee in 2015 Budget.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in ITRE on budget lines: 2 September 2014

Deadline for amendments on budgetary resolution: 3 September 2014 noon

Vote in ITRE on budgetary resolution: 25 September 2014

Vote Plenary: October II 2014



European single market for electronic communications

(Rapporteur:

[Pilar del Castillo Vera](#))

Vote on the negotiating mandate

The Committee will vote on the negotiating mandate (Rule 73) based on the EP first reading position adopted in plenary in April I 2014.

The ITRE Committee already decided on 22 July 2014 to confirm the first reading position on the report European single market for electronic communications and at the same Mrs del Castillo (EPP) was re-confirmed as the rapporteur for this report.



2014 UN Climate Change Conference - COP 20 in Lima, Peru (1-12 December 2014)

(Rapporteur: [Jerzy Buzek](#))

Exchange of views



The rapporteur will present his draft on the ITRE contribution to the COP 20 draft motion for a resolution. This text will give the European Parliament political view on the position the European Union should have on the next UN Climate Change Conference - COP 20 in Lima.

The rapporteur stress out that the success of fighting the climate change depends on collective global actions. Europe can lead this process but at this stage all countries must contribute to cut emissions. The mitigation of climate change and the related technologies and industries are an opportunity for growth and jobs in Europe that should be fostered.

The ITRE contribution has three chapters:

1. Industry and competitiveness;
2. Research and innovation; and
3. Energy policy.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in ITRE: 7 October 2014

Vote in plenary: October II 2014



Renewal of mandate of ENISA's executive director, Udo Helmbrecht and presentation of the agency

Mr Udo Helmbrecht, Executive Director ENISA (European Union Agency for Network and Information Security) will present before the ITRE Committee and answer its Members' questions as part of the process to renew his mandate. He will present the current activities of ENISA, the future challenges on cyber-security in Europe as well as the ENISA plans to tackle them.

Presentation of the agency by Göran Marby, Chair of BEREC



The Chair of BEREC, Mr Göran Marby, will present BEREC and its work on ongoing issues.

Mr Marby, who is also Director General of the Swedish Post and Telecom Authority, is Chair of BEREC for 2014.

BEREC was established in 2009 as part of the telecom reform package, and plays an important role in making sure European telecoms regulation is consistently applied throughout the EU. It brings together representatives of each Member State's National Regulatory Authority - the authorities responsible for telecoms regulation at national level - and, among other things, delivers opinions and reports, for example on net neutrality and roaming.

Digital Agenda for Europe

(Presentation by the Director-General Robert Madelin, European Commission)

Digital Agenda for Europe (DAE) aims to reboot Europe's economy and help Europe's citizens and businesses to get the most out of digital technologies.

It is the first of seven flagships initiatives under Europe 2020, the EU's strategy to deliver smart sustainable and inclusive growth.

The Digital Agenda of the EU is managed by the European Commission Directorate General for Communications Networks, Content & Technology (DG CONNECT).

Mr Robert Madelin, Director-General in DG CONNECT in the European Commission, will present the work around the Digital Agenda for Europe and the work of DG CONNECT.

**Directive on the dissemination of Earth observation satellite data for commercial purposes**

(Presentation by Director Philippe Brunet, European Commission)

The ITRE Committee will hear from Mr Brunet, Director at DG Enterprise, on the Commission proposal on the dissemination of Earth observation satellite data.

The aim of the proposal is to provide a legal framework for the dissemination of commercial Earth observation satellite data, as a complement to the framework for dedicated mission data generated under Copernicus. In particular, the proposal will establish a screening procedure for high-resolution data and an authorisation procedure in the event that the dissemination is deemed sensitive.

**Presentation of the study on "How can European industry contribute to growth and foster European competitiveness?"**

The policy department A will come to the meeting in order to present to Members the study on "How can European industry contribute to growth and foster European competitiveness?"

The scope of the study is to analyse and recommend options as to how European industry can contribute to sustainable growth and competitiveness in the EU.

It reviews factors that influence growth and competitiveness, and links case studies from European industry to related barriers and enablers.

It presents recommendations for framework conditions that public authorities can influence in order to promote European industry in repositioning itself globally.

Finally, the paper then presents relevant case studies in full.

**Presentations by the Italian Presidency-in-office**

Mrs Federica Guidi, Minister for Economic Development and Mr Antonello Giacomelli, Secretary of State to the Ministry for Economic development will present the IT Presidency priorities on industry, energy and telecommunications.

The entire semester puts at its core competitiveness and the fight against unemployment.

The sectorial priorities chosen by the Presidency reflect the general priorities. For instance on industrial policy, access to credit for SMEs, a debate on the implementation of the Small Business Act (SBA), and on mainstreaming are only few of the actions that the Presidency will undertake in the next months.

The Telecom sector per se represents a priority for the Presidency. The Presidency hopes negotiations on "connected continent package" will start before the end of its mandate.

On energy, the Presidency will devote its efforts to four major pillars:

- the framework for climate and energy 2020;
- EU energy security;
- the completion of the single energy market; and
- external energy policy.

Mrs Stefania Giannini, Minister for Education, University and Research, under whose competences fall space policy as well, will present the IT Presidency priorities on research and space.

On research, the Presidency will pay attention to aspects which have a positive impact on growth and employment, in particular fostering public/private partnerships; promoting demand-side



innovation policies and promoting social innovation.

On space the main goal of the Presidency is to launch discussions on the Commission's proposal for a Directive on the identification and dissemination of High-Resolution Earth Observation Satellite Data (HRSD) for commercial purposes and on future EU space programmes and infrastructures aiming to further support the Union's policies and for the benefit of European Citizens.

NEWS FROM THE AGENCIES

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)

ACER presents its Conclusions Paper 'Energy regulation: A Bridge to 2025'

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The Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC)

Hearing session on M2M for EU electronic communications operators

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European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA)

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European Global Navigation Satellite System Gnss Agency (GNSS)

CALIBRA: Bringing Precision Agriculture to Brazil

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Recent Publications:

[Study on 'The Impact of the Oil Price on EU Energy Prices'](#)

[Study on 'Mapping Smart Cities in the EU'](#)

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[Study on 'SMEs participation under Horizon 2020'](#)

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Upcoming Opinion votes:

- Resolution on General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2015 - 25/09



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