EMPL Coordinators' meeting
3 September 2014, 17:30 - 18:45 hrs
Brussels, Room JAN 4Q1 (in camera)

RESULTS

3.9.2014

The meeting started at 17:30 hrs and closed at 18:45 hrs. In the Chair: Ms Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair, Acting Chair in the absence of Mr Thomas Händel.

Present

Ms Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair, Acting Chair
Ms Danuta Jazłowiecka, 2nd Vice-Chair
Ms Agnes Jongerius, 4th Vice-Chair

EPP
Mr David Casa, Coordinator
Mr Heinz K. Becker, Vice-Coordinator

S&D
Ms Jutta Steinruck, Coordinator

ECR
Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator

ALDE
Ms Marian Harkin, Coordinator

GUE/NGL
Ms Rina Ronja Kari, Co-Coordinator
Ms Inês Zuber, Co-Coordinator

Greens/EFA
Ms Jean Lambert, Coordinator

EFDD
Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator

1. Chair's announcements

1.1 Presence at EMPL Coordinators' meetings

The Chair clarified that

(i) the Coordinators may only be accompanied by group staff and that

(ii) in instances where Co-Coordinators or deputy Coordinators had been appointed only one speaker shall represent a political group for any given item.
In the absence of Chairman Händel, Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair, shall chair the EGF Working Group.

Since Ms Ulvskog had been the S&D Member of the WG, the S&D Group delegated the role of group representative on the WG to Maria Arena.

ECR Group had informed the Chair that the ECR representative in the EGF WG would be Zdzisław Marek Krasnodębski.

2. **Calendar of EMPL meetings in 2015**

The papers for the meeting included a revised draft calendar for EMPL meetings in 2015.

**Decision:**

The Coordinators endorsed the revised draft calendar of committee meetings for 2015 and agreed that votes

(a) should take place on Tuesday afternoons if a meeting starts on a Tuesday morning

(b) should never be scheduled for Thursday afternoons.

3. **Consideration of the questions to the Commissioner-designate**

The papers for the meeting included a revised draft questionnaire for the Commissioner-designate for Employment and Social Affairs.

**Decision:**

The Coordinators

- held an extensive exchange of views on a revised draft questionnaire to be addressed to the Commissioner-designate for Employment and Social Affairs

- approved the revised draft questionnaire, subject to a deletion of Indents 3 (minimum wages and social housing) and 13 (flexicurity) in Question 3.
4. **Decision on the method for the allocation of reports and opinions**

**Decison:**

The Coordinators

- held an extensive exchange of views on the various options for setting up an auctioning system for the allocation of reports and opinions
- agreed on the establishment of an auctioning system for the allocation of reports and opinions with the following basic features
  - at the beginning of the term, each group is allotted a number of points corresponding to its number of Members multiplied by 2
  - the minimum offer for opinions is 0.5 points and for reports 1 point
  - auctioning steps shall be by 0.5 points
  - in the event of a draw, the group with the more favourable relative usage rate takes precedence
  - if a mandatory legislative report meets no offer, it shall be attributed to a group for 0 points by means of a rolling d'Hondt table; the same applies to opinions where it is found that the allocation of an opinion for 0 points is exceptionally justified
  - Where one or more groups have exhausted their points, a political majority may agree to allot a fresh round of additional points to all the groups; groups which have not yet exhausted their contingent shall receive the fresh points in addition to their remaining points.
  - The functioning of the auctioning system shall be reviewed in a year's time (September 2015).

- instructed the Secretariat to summarise the features of the auctioning system as applied in writing for formal confirmation at the Coordinators' meeting taking place on 17 September, 15:00 hrs.
5. **Allocation of reports and opinions**

**Legislative reports**


**Resp.:** EMPL  
**Opinion:** IMCO, JURI, REGI, CULT, FEMM

**Decision:** Rapporteur to be nominated by the EPP Group.


**Resp.:** EMPL  
**Opinion:** ECON, ITRE, IMCO, JURI, LIBE, FEMM

**Decision:** Rapporteur to be nominated by the S&D Group.

5.3 Protocol to the EC/ Switzerland Agreement on the free movement of persons, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU - 2013/0321(NLE) - COM(2013)0673 (RS)

**Resp.:** EMPL  
**Opinion:** AGRI, LIBE

**Decision:** Rapporteur to be nominated by the EPP Group.

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6. **Date of next Coordinators' meeting**

Wednesday, 17 September 2014, starting at 15:00 hrs; venue and end-time to be confirmed.