

## **The Week Ahead 15 – 21 June 2015**

## Committee meetings and delegations, Brussels

**Cloning of animals.** Two draft laws to ban the cloning of farm animals and imports of products from cloned animals, on ethical, human health and animal welfare grounds, will be put to a vote in the environment and agriculture committees. Open issues include the duration of the ban and exceptions, e.g. for research purposes. (Wednesday)

**Draghi.** Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee MEPs will meet ECB President Mario Draghi to debate the ongoing Quantitative Easing programme and sovereign bond purchases, among other things. Members are also likely to discuss the state of play in talks between Greece and its international creditors. (Monday)

**Copyright.** MEPs will give their input on a major EU copyright reform, which the Commission intends to unveil by the end of 2015. Legal Affairs Committee MEPs will vote a draft resolution likely to address issues such as geoblocking, harmonising copyright rules and authors' remuneration. (*Tuesday*)

**Economic governance.** Parliament's views on the EU's economic governance architecture, including recommendations for changes, will be set out in a draft resolution to be voted by the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee. EU heads of state or government are to discuss economic policy coordination rules at a summit on 25-26 June. (*Tuesday*)

**Trade secrets.** A draft law aiming to better protect EU businesses against the theft or misuse of trade secrets by, for example, hacking, bribery or breach of contract, while respecting freedom of expression, particularly for whistle-blowers, is up for a vote in the Legal Affairs Committee. *(Tuesday)* 

**Capital Markets Union.** Recommendations on how to integrate EU capital markets in order to strengthen cross-border capital flows and improve access to finance for businesses, particularly SMEs, will be set out in a resolution to be voted by the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee. (*Tuesday*)

**ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly.** An EP delegation takes part in the 29th ACP-EU JPA session in Suva (Fiji) where MEPs and their counterparts from national parliaments of countries in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific region (ACP) will debate and vote resolutions on education, financing of investment and trade, cultural diversity and human rights. (Monday to Wednesday)

**President's diary.** EP President Schulz will meet Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, European Council President Donald Tusk, ECB President Mario Draghi and Eurogroup President Jeroen Dijsselbloem on Tuesday to discuss the "5 Presidents" report



on completing the EMU. Mr Schulz will meet Greek Health and Social Security Minister Panagiotis Kouroumplis and UK Trade Union Congress General Secretary Frances Lorraine O'Grady on Wednesday. He will then travel to London to meet Prime Minister David Cameron and Foreign Affairs Minister Philip Hammond, among others, on Thursday.

**Press briefing.** The EP Press Service will hold a press briefing on the week's activities at 11.00 on Monday in the "Anna Politkovskaya" EP press conference room, Brussels. Journalists can use #EPressbriefing to put questions on committees' work before and during the briefing via our Twitter press account @EuroParlPress.

## Monday 15/06/2015

### PRESS CONFERENCES

11:00-11:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

Briefing on parliamentary agenda

## PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

15:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 2Q2

## **Committee on Foreign Affairs**

- Discussion with Michel Dominique REVEYRAND-DE MENTHON, EU Special Representative for the Sahel (16.00 – 17.00)
- Discussion with Gilles DE KERCHOVE, EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator, on the state of play of cooperation with third countries (17.00 – 18.00)

## 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050

### **Committee on International Trade**

- Roundtable on officially supported export credits
- Trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (2014/0005(COD)) -Rapporteur: Marietje SCHAAKE (ALDE, NL) - Consideration of draft report

### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

### **Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs**

 Monetary Dialogue with Mario DRAGHI, President of the European Central Bank

### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 6Q2

## **Committee on Employment and Social Affairs**

Public Hearing: Revision of the EU2020 strategy - see Public Hearings

### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 5G3

## **Committee on Transport and Tourism**

 Conclusions of the Latvian presidency of the Council - presentation by Anrijs MATIS, Minister for Transport

### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3

## **Committee on Legal Affairs**

- Discussion with the President of the European Patent Office, Benoît BATISTELLI (15.00-16.00)
- Hearing on the case for European minimum standards for civil procedure (16.00-17.30) – see Public Hearings



### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G2

### **Committee on Culture and Education**

 Discussion with Dimitris AVRAMOPOULOS, Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship

15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G3

**Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality** 

## **DELEGATIONS**

## 29th ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly

13-17 June 2015

### Suva (Fiji)

- Louis Michel (ALDE, BE), Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) will head the EP delegation to the 29th ACP-EU JPA session in Suva (Fiji) from 15 to 17 June 2015. The plenary session will be preceded and prepared by meetings of the three standing committees of the JPA on 13 June.
- MEPs and their counterparts from national parliaments of countries of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) will debate and vote on challenges and opportunities in education and vocational training in ACP countries; the financing of investment and trade, in ACP countries by the EU blending mechanism; and the cultural diversity and human rights in ACP and EU countries. They will also hold debates on seas and oceans, natural resources, the natural disaster in Vanuatu and the situation in the CAR.

EP Background note for media

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### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

15:00-17:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 6Q2

### **Revision of the EU2020 strategy**

The **Committee on Employment and Social Affairs** will hold a public hearing as a follow-up to Parliament's resolution on the employment and social aspects of the Europe 2020 strategy. This was adopted in November 2014 in order to feed into the Commission's public consultation. The hearing will take place on 15.06.15 with the participation of experts in the field.

## 16:00-17:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3

### The case for European minimum standards for civil procedure

Organised by the **Legal Affairs Committee**, this hearing will consider the convergence of civil procedure in Europe and the creation of common standards of civil procedure in EU Law. Following the contributions of the experts, MEPs will debate the matter with Diana WALLIS, President of the European Law Institut, and Michael SHOTTER, Head of the Civil Justice Policy Unit at the European Commission.



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## Tuesday 16/06/2015

## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

13:15-14:15

## The President's Agenda

### **Brussels**

13:15 Meeting with Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission, Donald Tusk, President of the European Council, Mario Draghi, President of the European Central Bank and Jeroen Dijsselbloem, President of the Eurogroup - European Commission, Berlaymont Building

### PRESS CONFERENCES

11:00-11:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"Scenarios of a new cooperation between European nations"

Marine LE PEN (NI, FR)

12:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

## The human rights situation in Venezuela

Beatriz BECERRA BASTERRECHEA (ALDE, ES), Dita CHARANZOVÁ (ALDE, CZ), Patricia BETANCOURT and Tamara SUJU

12:30-13:00 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

# The review of the economic governance framework: stocktaking and challenges

Roberto GUALTIERI (S&D, IT), and Pervenche BERÈS (S&D, FR)

13:00-13:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"What policy framework do we need at EU level to enable electricity selfconsumption?"

Soledad CABEZÓN RUIZ (S&D, ES), Francisca LUENGO and Pilar LUCIO

13:30-14:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

**Copyright / Implementation of InfoSoc Directive** 

Julia REDA (Greens/EFA, DE), rapporteur

14:00-14:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"Transhumance: from Abruzzo to Bretagne. By Ornella Mariani" Aldo PATRICIELLO (EPP, IT)

14:30-15:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"Challenges and risks for the food sector in European Union and eliminating barriers to the export"



Czesław Adam SIEKIERSKI (EPP, PL), Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, Albert DESS (EPP, DE), Andrzej GRZYB (EPP, PL), and Miroslav MIKOLÁŠIK (EPP, SK)

## **PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

09:00-12:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 2Q2

## **Committee on Foreign Affairs**

- Discussion on EU-UN cooperation with the UN Resident Coordinators in the Eastern Partnership countries (9.00 10.30)
- Discussion with Philippe DOUSTE-BLAZY, United Nations Deputy Secretary General, on the financing of EU and UN priorities (10.30 – 11.15)
- Presentation of the study: "Towards a new European security strategy?
   Assessing the impact of changes in the global security environment" (11.15 12.30) In association with the Subcommittee on Security and Defence

### 15:00-18:00 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G-3

## **Subcommittee on Human Rights**

• Update on the human rights situation in Venezuela

## 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050

## **Committee on International Trade**

- Protocol Amending the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (2015/0029(NLE)) - Rapporteur: Pablo ZALBA BIDEGAIN (PPE, ES) - Consideration of draft recommendation (consent)
- Union system for supply chain due diligence self-certification of responsible importers of tin, tantalum and tungsten, their ores, and gold originating in conflict-affected and high-risk areas (2014/0059(COD)) - Rapporteur: Iuliu WINKLER (EPP, RO) - Vote on the decision to enter into informal trilogue negotiations with the Council with the aim of reaching a first reading agreement, after a partial vote in Plenary
- Joint INTA-LIBE Public Hearing on Trade agreements and data flows: Discussion on safeguarding the EU data protection standards - see Public hearings
- Presentation by Zanda KALNINA-LUKAŠEVICA, Parliamentary State Secretary for EU affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, representing the President-in-Office of the Council, on the achievments of the Latvian Presidency in the area of International Trade Policy

## 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

## **Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs**

 Public Hearing with Elke KÖNIG, Chairperson of the Single Resolution Board (SRB) - see Public Hearings

## **Votes**

- The review of the economic governance framework: stocktaking and challenges
   Adoption of draft report Rapporteur: Pervenche BERÈS (S&D, FR)
- Building a Capital Markets Union Adoption of motion for a resolution
- Statistics concerning balance of payments, international trade in services and foreign direct investment - Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Sven GIEGOLD



(Greens/EFA, DE)

### **End of votes**

- Public Hearing on EU Financial Services Regulation: Stocktaking and Challenges - see Public Hearings
- Public Hearing on Target2Securities (T2S) with Yves MERSCH, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank (ECB) - see Public Hearings

### 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 6Q2

## **Committee on Employment and Social Affairs**

### **Votes**

- Guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Laura AGEA (EFDD, IT)
- Green Employment Initiative: Tapping into the job creation potential of the green economy - Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Jean LAMBERT (Greens/EFA, UK)

### **End of votes**

## 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q2

### Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

### **Votes**

- Untapping the potential of Research and Innovation in the Blue Economy to create Jobs and Growth - Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: João FERREIRA (GUE/NGL, PT)
- Family Businesses in Europe Adoption of draft report Rapporteur: Angelika NIEBLER (EPP, DE)
- Interoperability solutions for European public administrations, businesses and citizens (ISA2) Interoperability as a means for modernising the public sector -Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Carlos ZORRINHO (S&D, PT)

### **End of votes**

- ACER Draft 2016 Work Programme Outline, Discussion with Alberto POTOTSCHNIG, Director of ACER
- Horizon 2020, Discussion with Jean-Pierre BOURGUIGNON, President of the European Research Council

### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 5G3

## **Committee on Transport and Tourism**

- Discussion with Catherine TRAUTMAN, European Coordinator for the North Sea-Baltic Corridor
- Discussion with Karel VINCK, European Coordinator for the European Rail Traffic Management System
- Discussion with Karla PEIJS, European Coordinator for the Rhine-Danube Corridor
- Discussion with Laurens-Jan BRINKHORST, European Coordinator for the Mediterranean Corridor

### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3

## **Committee on Legal Affairs**

## In camera (09.00-10.00)

- Request for the waiver of the parliamentary immunity of Sotirios ZARIANOPOULOS (NI, EL) (IMM), rapporteur Laura FERRARA (EFDD, IT) – vote on draft report
- Request for the waiver of the parliamentary immunity of Udo VOIGT (NI, DE) (IMM), rapporteur Tadeusz ZWIEFKA (EPP, PL) – vote on draft report

## **VOTES (10.00-11.30)**

- Protection of undisclosed know-how and business information (trade secrets) against their unlawful acquisition, use and disclosure (COD), rapporteur Constance Le GRIP (EPP, FR) – vote on draft report
- Community trade mark (COD), rapporteur Cecilia WIKSTRÖM (ALDE, SE) discussion and vote on agreed text
- Laws of the Member States relating to trade marks (Recast) (COD), rapporteur Cecilia WIKSTRÖM (ALDE, SE) discussion and vote on agreed text
- Regulatory Fitness and Performance Programme (REFIT): state of play and outlook (INI), rapporteur Sylvia-Yvonne KAUFMANN (S&D, DE) – vote on draft resolution
- Implementation of Directive 2001/29/EC on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society (INI), rapporteur Julia REDA (Greens/EFA, DE) – vote on draft resolution

### end of votes

 Latvian Presidency of the EU Council - discussion and stocktaking of the presidency (15.00-16.00)

## 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1E-2

## **Subcommittee on Security and Defence**

- The implementation of the Minsk agreements Discussion with: Ambassador Kostiantyn YELISIEIEV, Representative of Ukraine to the European Union; Luis Fernandez DE LA PENA, Managing Director, Europe and Central Asia, EEAS -In association with the Delegation to the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Association Committee
- Public hearing "The implementation of the Solidarity Clause" see Public hearings - Jointly with the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (16.30 - 18.30, meeting room Altiero Spinelli 3G-3)

## 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 2Q2

### Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

- Towards a European Energy Union Consideration of draft opinion -Rapporteur: Ivo BELET (EPP, BE)
- Towards a new international climate agreement in Paris Consideration of draft report - Rapporteur: Gilles PARGNEAUX (S&D, FR)
- Reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants and amending Directive 2003/35/EC - Consideration of amendments - Rapporteur: Julie GIRLING (ECR, UK)

## 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 6Q2

## **Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development**



### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001

### **Committee on Fisheries**

 Hearing on 'The single European ecolabel: setting minumim criteria' (15.00-18.30) - see Public hearings

## 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G2

### **Committee on Culture and Education**

- Towards an integrated approach to cultural heritage for Europe (INI) vote on a draft resolution by Mircea DIACONU (ALDE, RO)
- Discussion with Tibor NAVRACSICS, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport

### 14:30-16:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2

## **Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs**

- Joint Hearing with International Trade Committee on trade agreements and data flows: safeguarding the EU data protection standards (10.00-12.30), Room PHS 3C50 - see Public Hearings
- Joint Hearing with the Security and Defence Subcommittee on the implementation of the Solidarity Clause (16.30-18.30), Room ASP 1E2 - see Public Hearings

### 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G3

## **Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality**

### **VOTES (10.00)**

- The gender dimension of trafficking in human beings (RSP), vote on question for oral answer
- Empowering girls through education in the EU (INI), rapporteur Liliana RODRIGUES (S&D, PT) vote on draft resolution
- Application of Directive 2006/54/EC on the implementation of the principle of equal opportunities and equal treatment of men and women in matters of employment and occupation (INI), rapporteur Anna ZÁBORSKÁ (EPP, SK) vote on draft resolution

## **DELEGATIONS**

### 12th EP – Lebanon Interparliamentary meeting

### Beirut, Lebanon

## 16-19 June

Marisa MATIAS (GUE/NGL, PT) will chair the EP delegation to the 12th EP – Lebanon Interparliamentary meeting in Beirut, Lebanon. She will be joined by Nicole Ramona MANESCU (EPP, RO), Andrea COZZOLINO (S&D, IT) and Kristina WINBERG (EFD, IT).

Apart from meetings with their counterparts from the Lebanese Parliament, MEPs will meet with representatives of the government and armed forces, leaders of main political parties, as well as representatives of Syrian civic movement, UN and Red Cross to discuss the latest developments on the ground in Syria, the refugee situation in Lebanon and impact on society. They will also visit refugee projects on education.



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### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

10:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050

Trade agreements and data flows: Safeguarding the EU data protection standards

Joint Hearing - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and International Trade Committee (INTA)

Several trade negotiations and trade agreements including services (TTIP, TISA, CETA) touch upon areas that have an impact on data flows between the EU and the partner country (e.g. financial services, telecommunications). To which extent do these negotiations respect the EU's acquis on data privacy? What are the views of our trading partners on these issues? Which offensive and defensive interests are at stake? These are some of the issues to be addressed in a hearing jointly organised by the Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee and the International Trade Committee on "Trade agreements and data flows: Safeguarding the EU data protection standards" on Tuesday, 16 June, from 10.00 - 12.30.

The hearing, co-chaired by Bernd LANGE (S&D, DE) and Claude MORAES (S&D, UK), will be divided in two panels, one on "Data flows, localisation and global value chains: offensive and defensive interests at stake", and the other on "Data flows between the EU and partner countries: how to comply with the EU standards on data protection and fundamental rights?".

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### 10:30-12:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

## Public Hearing with Elke König, Chairperson of the Single Resolution Board (SRB)

During the discussion with Elke König, Chairperson of the Single Resolution Board (SRB) the ECON MEPS are going to ask among others about past and present resolution cases, lessons from them and difficulties encountered. The Single Resolution Board is also required from 1 January 2015 to submit a monthly report on the conditions for the transfer of contributions to the Fund and MEPs are interested in the implementation of this provision.

### 15:00-16:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

## **EU Financial Services Regulation: Stocktaking and Challenges**

The aim of Public Hearing on EU Financial Services Regulation: Stocktaking and Challenges is to examine the current stance of the EU financial services legislation reform, to discuss its effectiveness, coherence and proportionality and to identify challenges and the way forward in the area of the EU financial services legislation also considering developments in the CMU.

### 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001

## The Single European Eco Label: Setting Minimum Criteria

The EU Commission is preparing a Union-wide eco-label scheme for fishery and aquaculture products. The EP had requested this in 2013. The aim is to sweep away the many differing and confusing eco-labels that have emerged over the years; all making competing claims about the sustainability of catches and the eco-friendliness of their products. This hearing will be discussing the objectivity and validity of current systems as well as values and potential impact of the EU eco-label.

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16:30-17:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q1

## Public Hearing on Target2Securities (T2S) with Yves Mersch, Member of the **Executive Board of the European Central Bank (ECB)**

ECON MEPs are going to discuss with Yves Mersch, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank (ECB) the planned launch of the Target2Securities IT platform in June, after approximately 9 years in the making. T2S is going to be the first pan-European settlement platform for securities. MEPs are interested in the timelines of the launch and the details on how the platform is going to work.

16:30-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1E2

## The implementation of the Solidarity Clause

Joint hearing - Subcommittee on Security and Defence (SEDE) and Civil Liberties, **Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE)** 

The Solidarity Clause, introduced by Article 222 of the Lisbon Treaty, aims at enabling the Union and its Member States to act jointly in the face of disasters, emergencies, crises or terrorist attacks and to provide assistance to one another. In a joint hearing organised by the Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee and the Security and Defence Subcommittee, MEPs and experts will look at the practical implementation of the Solidarity Clause, including the set-up and actual use of the arrangements set out in the 2014 Council Decision regarding the invocation of the Solidarity Clause, the response arrangements at Union level and Union-level threat assessments. They will also look at the way ahead and what further steps could be taken to implement the Solidarity Clause in order to better jointly address the threats posed by terrorist attacks and natural or manmade disasters.

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## Wednesday 17/06/2015

## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

10:30-13:00

## The President's Agenda

### **Brussels**

10:30 Meeting with Panagiotis Kouroumplis, Minister for Health and Social Security of Greece - Paul-Henri Spaak Building, 9th floor, Salon Protocolaire A

12:00 Meeting with Frances Lorraine O'Grady, General Secretary of the British Trade Union Congress (TUC) - Paul-Henri Spaak Building, 9th floor, President's office

## PRESS CONFERENCES

11:00-11:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

### Situation in Venezuela

Luis de GRANDES PASCUAL (EPP, ES), Chair of the Delegation for relations with the countries of the Andean Community, and Miguel Henrique OTERO

12:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"The 'gag law' and the attack on civil rights in the Spanish State"

Marina ALBIOL GUZMÁN (GUE/NGL, ES)

14:00-14:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

### Situation in Syria

Udo VOIGT (NI, DE), Roberto FIORE, and Nick GRIFFIN

14:30-15:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

"Gums, a key factor in improving public health and wellbeing of Europeans" Jordi SEBASTIÀ (Greens/EFA, ES)

15:30-16:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050

### Cloning of animals

Renate SOMMER (EPP, DE), and Giulia MOI (EFDD, IT), rapporteurs

### PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1E-2

### **Subcommittee on Human Rights**

Preparation for DROI missions to Israel/Palestine and Ukraine:

- Exchange of views on the respect of human rights and international humanitarian law in the Gaza conflict
- Discussion on the current human rights situation in Ukraine



 Presentation of a study on Occupation/annexation of a territory: Respect for international humanitarian law and human rights -- and consistent EU policy

### 10:30-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G-3

## **Subcommittee on Security and Defence**

- Workshop "Dual use export controls" Jointly with the Committee on International Trade - (10:30 - 12:30) - See Public Hearings
- Commission activities in the field of internal market and industry ahead of the June European Council on defence - Discussion with Elżbieta BIEŃKOWSKA, Commissioner for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs -Jointly with the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and the Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection
- Reinforcing Transatlantic Security and Defence Cooperation: a US perspective Discussion with: Robert BELL, Senior Civilian Representative of the US
  Secretary of Defense in Europe and Defense Advisor to the U.S. Ambassador to
  NATO and John SAMMIS, Deputy Chief, US Mission to the EU Jointly with the
  delegation for relations with the United States

### 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q2

## **Special Committee on Tax Rulings and Other Measures Similar in Nature or Effect**

 Discussion with EU National Parliaments - Aggressive tax planning and democratic control: role of parliaments

### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 2Q2

## Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Votes

- 2016 Budget Mandate for the Trilogue Adoption of draft opinion Rapporteur: Giovanni LA VIA (EPP, IT)
- Controls and activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health, plant reproductive material, plant protection products - Decision on the opening of interinstitutional negotiations - Pursuant to Rule 73
- Resource efficiency: moving towards a circular economy Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN (EPP, FI)
- Sustainable Urban Mobility Adoption of draft opinion Rapporteur: Eleonora EVI (EFDD, IT)
- Manufacture, placing on the market and use of medicated feed and repealing Council Directive 90/167/EEC - Adoption of draft opinion - Rapporteur: Norbert LINS (EPP, DE)
- 30th and 31st annual reports on monitoring the application of EU Law (2012-2013) - Adoption of draft opinion - Rapporteur: Jytte GUTELAND (S&D, SV)

### **End of votes**

- Joint ENVI/AGRI committee meeting (Rule 55)
- Discussion with Mr Karmenu VELLA, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, on the EU Biodiversity policy
- Discussion with ECDC and WHO representatives on vaccination



### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050

## **Committee on Regional Development**

 The urban dimension of EU policies (INI) - vote on a draft resolution by Kerstin Westphal (S&D, DE)

## 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 6Q2

## **Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development**

- Animal Health (COD) vote on a draft regulation by Marit Paulsen (ALDE, SE)
- Joint meeting with the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (15.00 – 16.00, room JAN 2Q2)

Cloning of animals of the bovine, porcine, ovine, caprine and equine species kept and reproduced for farming purposes (COD) - vote on a draft directive by Renate Sommer (EPP, DE) and Giulia Moi (EFDD, IT)

### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001

### **Committee on Fisheries**

- Fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Madagascar (NLE) - vote on a draft report by Ricardo Serrão Santos (S&D, PT)
- Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cape Verde ((NLE) - vote on a draft report by Peter van Dalen (ECR, NL)
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- The granting of fishing opportunities in EU waters to fishing vessels flying the flag of Venezuela in the exclusive economic zone off the coast of French Guiana (INI) - vote on a draft report by João Ferreira (GUE/NGL, PT)

### 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G2

### **Committee on Legal Affairs**

Workshop on Civil Judicial Experts in the EU - see Special events

### 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Jòzsef Antall, 4Q-1

## **Committee on Budgetary Control**

 Appointment of a Member of the Court of Auditors - Bettina Michelle JAKOBSEN

Rapporteur: Igor ŠOLTES Verts/ALE, SL) - Hearing of Bettina Michelle JAKOBSEN, candidate nominated by the Danish authorities.

## 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2

## **Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs**

- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) presentation of the 2015 European Drug Report and discussion with Wolfgang GÖTZ, Director of EMCDDA on trends and developments (09.00-09.30)
- Conclusions of the Latvian Presidency of the EU Council in the area of Justice and Home Affairs discussion with the Lativan Minister for the Interior, Rihards



KOZLOVSKIS and Dzintars RASNAČS, Minister of Justice (10.45-12.30)

• Hearing on the visa package (15.00-18.30) - see Public Hearings

### 09:00-16:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3

### **Committee on Constitutional Affairs**

- Latvian Presidency of the EU Council discussion with Zanda KALNIŅA-LUKAŠEVICA, the Latvian Foreign Ministry's Parliamentary State Secretary for EU Affairs on the outcome of the presidency, in particular on the issue of "Transparency" (09.00-10.00)
- Workshop on best practices in legislative and regulatory processes in a constitutional perspective (10.00-12.30) - see Special events

### **VOTES (15.45)**

 Commissioner Hearings: procedures and practices and lessons to be taken from the 2014 process (INI), rapporteur Richard CORBETT (S&D, UK) - vote on draft resolution

## **DELEGATIONS**

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## 29th ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly

### 13-17 June 2015

## Suva (Fiji)

- Louis Michel (ALDE, BE), Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) will head the EP delegation to the 29th ACP-EU JPA session in Suva (Fiji) from 15 to 17 June 2015. The plenary session will be preceded and prepared by meetings of the three standing committees of the JPA on 13 June.
- MEPs and their counterparts from national parliaments of countries of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) will debate and vote on challenges and opportunities in education and vocational training in ACP countries; the financing of investment and trade, in ACP countries by the EU blending mechanism; and the cultural diversity and human rights in ACP and EU countries. They will also hold debates on seas and oceans, natural resources, the natural disaster in Vanuatu and the situation in the CAR.



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## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2

### The Visa Package

The Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on the Visa Package for the purpose of gathering the input of experts for its further legislative works. The Visa Package consists of a review of the Visa Code which contains the conditions and procedures for the issuing of Schengen short-stay visas and of the proposal to establish a touring visa, a new type of visa which would permit the holder to travel within the Schengen Area for a period longer than the current 90 days.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

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Hosted by the **Legal Affairs Committee**, this workshop will bring together Members of the European Parliament and a number of experts, practitioners and academics with a view to discussing the differences between national rules on judicial technical expertise, the difficulties in cross-border situations and possible ways of addressing them. During the workshop, the question of the approximation of the rules on judicial experts and the relevance of other solutions such as the introduction of an EU list of judicial experts or the creation of a specific status of expert generally recognised in the EU will be raised.



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## Workshop on best practices in legislative and regulatory processes in a constitutional perspective

Organised by the **Constitutional Affairs Committee**, MEPs will have the opportunity to discuss with experts and debate in committee on how to improve law-making and regulation in the EU. A comparison of the EU and The Netherlands will be discussed. Perspectives from the United States and Poland will also be discussed taking note of public consultation practices and accountability in rulemaking as well as impact assessment and an early warning system.

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## Thursday 18/06/2015

## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

10:00-16:00

## The President's Agenda

### London

9:00 Meeting with David Cameron, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom - 10 Downing street

10:40 Attending the Commemoration to mark the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo - Saint Paul's Cathedral

12:30 Meeting with The Right Honourable Philip Hammond MP, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

15:00 Meeting with Chris Grayling, Leader of the House of Commons

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