

# The Week Ahead 22 – 28 January 2018

## Agenda

### Committee Week

**2019 elections/Distribution of EP seats.** The Constitutional Affairs Committee will vote on a new distribution of Parliament's seats for the 2019 -2024 legislative term. MEPs will also vote on whether or not to set up transnational electoral lists comprising the entire territory of the European Union. (Tuesday)

**Reduction of CO2 emissions and forestry.** Two informal deals with EU Ministers are up for a vote by the Environment Committee: one on establishing national emission reduction targets, and one on ensuring that CO2 emissions are balanced by CO2 absorption by forests, croplands and grasslands. The laws are among the key EU efforts being made to enact the Paris agreement on climate change. (Wednesday)

**Police cooperation.** Civil Liberties Committee MEPs will vote on a proposal to set up a centralised system for member states to exchange non-EU citizens' criminal records more quickly and easily. (Thursday)

**Rule of law in Malta.** MEPs from the Civil Liberties Committee and PANA, the former committee of inquiry, will discuss the outcome of their visit to Malta at the end of November last year to investigate the rule of law in the country and allegations of corruption and money laundering. MEPs are expected to meet with Mr Silvio Camilleri, Malta Chief of Justice (tbc). (Thursday)

**Honey and bees.** The Agriculture Committee will put forward proposals to better protect bee health, intensify the fight against honey counterfeiting, increase support for EU beekeepers and promote the benefits of honey consumption in the EU. (Tuesday)

**Holocaust Commemoration.** The European Parliament will mark the "International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust" by hosting a commemorative event on its premises. Mairead McGuinness, First Vice President of the European Parliament will give an opening speech, followed by a statement by European Jewish Congress President Moche Kantor. This year's event is focusing on education and children. (Wednesday)

**President's Diary.** President Tajani will host the New Years' Reception for the Diplomatic Corps on Monday evening.

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**Press briefing.** The EP Press Service will hold a press briefing on the week's activities at 11.00 a.m. on Monday, in the "Anna Politkovskaya" EP press conference room.

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## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

### The President's agenda

**Monday 22/01/2018**

18.30 New Years' Reception for the Diplomatic Corps (Espace Menuhin)

### The President's agenda

**Tuesday 23/01/2018**

09.30 Meeting with MEP Ms María Teresa GIMÉNEZ BARBAT (President's office)

### The President's agenda

**Wednesday 24/01/2018**

12.00 Holocaust Remembrance Day (Espace Menuhin)

19.00 Screening of the movie "Rocco Chinnici" (Espace Menuhin)

## PRESS CONFERENCES

### Briefing on parliamentary agenda

**Monday 22/01/2018 11:00-11:30** *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

### "Civil society and unsustainable gas pipeline projects in Europe"

**Monday 22/01/2018 14:30-15:00** *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

Xabier BENITO ZILUAGA (GUE/NGL, ES), Michèle RIVASI (Greens/EFA, FR), Alessandro RUNCI, Marco SANTORO, Carol COLL, and Louise FITZGERALD

### "The composition of the European Parliament"

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 15:30-16:00** *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

João FERREIRA (GUE/NGL, PT)

### "Visit of Miss Belgium Angeline Flor Pua"

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 10:30-11:00** *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

Hilde VAUTMANS (ALDE, BE), Bart STAES (Greens/EFA, BE), Anneleen VAN BOSSUYT (ECR, BE), Lieve WIERINCK (ALDE, BE, Angeline FLOR PUA, and Darline DEVOS

### "Turkish offensive on Afrin"

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 17:00-17:30** *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

Gabriele ZIMMER (DE), Chair GUE/NGL, Takis HADJIGEORGIOU (GUE/NGL, CY), Marie-Christine VERGIAT (GUE/NGL, FR), Bodil VALERO (GUE/NGL, SV), Josef WEIDENHOLZER (S&D, AT), Costas MAVRIDES (S&D, CY), Eyup DORU, David VERGILI, Rebecca HARMS (Greens, DE), and Branislav ŠKRIPEK (ECR, SL)

## PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

### Committee on Foreign Affairs

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

#### Votes (09:00)

- Establishing the European Defence Industrial Development Programme aiming at supporting the competitiveness and innovative capacity of the EU defence industry - vote on an opinion (COD) by Ioan Mircea Paşcu (S&D, RO)

#### 11:30

- Discussion with the EEAS on the situation of the Rohingyas of Myanmar

#### 15:00

- Discussion with Ekaterina Zaharieva, Deputy Prime Minister for Judicial Reform and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria on the priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency

#### 16:00

- The 2017 Nobel Peace Prize and the UN Nuclear Ban Treaty

Discussion with:

- Leo Hoffmann-Axthelm, Representative of International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), Nobel Peace Prize 2017

- Alexander Kmentt, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the Political and Security Committee, Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union

- Jacek Bylica, EEAS Principal Adviser and Special Envoy for Non-proliferation and Disarmament

- Discussion with José Ramos Horta, former President of Timor Leste

### Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050**

- Economic dialogue and discussion Toomas TÕNISTE, Minister for Finance of Estonia and former ECOFIN President (**09.00-10.30**)
- Economic dialogue and discussion with Vladislav GORANOV , ECOFIN President and Minister of Finance of Bulgaria (**11.00-12.30**)

### Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050**

- Joint debate on the proposals to amend the European System of Financial Supervision - Discussion on four reports by Burkhard BALZ (EPP, DE) and Pervenche Berès (S&D, FR) (**14.50-16.00**)

#### Votes (16.00-17.00)

- Framework for the recovery and resolution of central counterparties (COD) - Vote on the decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations. Report by Jakob von WEIZSÄCKER (S&D) and Kay SWINEBURNE (ECR, UK)

# Agenda

- Harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (GNI Regulation) (COD) - Vote on the decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations. Report by Roberto GUALTIERI (S&D, IT)
- Commission Delegated Regulation amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2358 and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2359 as regards their dates of application (DEA) - Vote on a recommendation for "early non-objection"
- Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1126/2008 adopting certain international accounting standards in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1606/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards amendments to International Financial Reporting Standard 9 (RPS) - Vote on a recommendation for "early non-objection"
- Mandatory automatic exchange of information in the field of taxation in relation to reportable cross-border arrangements (CNC) - Vote on a report by Emmanuel MAUREL (S&D, FR)
- Proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the EU, of the Bilateral Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America on prudential measures regarding insurance and reinsurance (NLE) - Vote on a report by Roberto GUALTIERI (S&D, IT)
- Banking Union - Annual Report 2017 (INI) - Vote on a report by Sander LOONES (ECR, BE)
- Nomination of an EP representative to the "European Statistical Advisory Committee"

## End of votes

- Workshop on Competition in air transport (**17.00-18.00**)

## Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050**

- Protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work - Consideration of amendments - Rapporteur: Claude ROLIN (EPP, BE)
- Hearing of candidates for appointment as EP experts to the Governing Board of the European Training Foundation (ETF) - Exchange of views with Edit BAUER, Jean-François MÉZIÈRES and Alejandro CERCAS

## Joint meeting: Committee on Culture and Education and Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-09:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050**

- Better services for skills and qualifications (Europass) (COD) - joint EMPL/CULT (CJ28) vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations, rapporteurs Thomas Mann (EPP, DE) and Svetoslav Hristov Malinov (EPP, BG)

## Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050**

### **Extraordinary joint EMPL/CULT (CJ28) meeting - votes**

- Better services for skills and qualifications (Europass) - Joint EMPL/CULT (CJ28) vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations - Rapporteurs: Thomas MANN (EPP, DE), Svetoslav Hristov MALINOV (EPP, BG)

## End of votes

- Exchange of views with Biser PETKOV (Minister of Labour and Social Policy of Bulgaria) - Presentation of the Bulgarian Presidency priorities in the field of employment and social affairs
- Work-life balance for parents and carers - Presentation by the Commission - Rapporteur: David CASA (EPP, MT)

## Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

- Public Hearing - The Future of Defence Industrial Policy - see *Public hearings*

## Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

- Exchange of views with Mr Carlos MOEDAS, Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation, as part of the Structured Dialogue
- Exchange of views with Ms Mariya GABRIEL, Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society, as part of the Structured Dialogue and presentation of Cybersecurity Act
- Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, Visit of Ms Temenuzhka PETKOVA, Minister of Energy and Mr Ivaylo Moskovski, Minister of Transport, Information Technologies and Communications

## Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Monday 22/01/2018 16:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1**

## Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1**

- Prospects and challenges for the EU apiculture sector (INI) - vote on a draft resolution by Norbert Erdős (EPP, HU)
- Priorities of the Bulgarian presidency of the Council - discussion with Rumén PORODZANOV, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Forestry

## Subcommittee on Human Rights

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

**09:00 - 11:45**

*In association with the Delegation for relations with the Arabian Peninsula*

- Discussion on the human rights situation in Yemen

*In association with the Delegation for relations with Israel*

- Discussion on the status of the Arab Palestinian minority in Israel
- Discussion with the President of the Central Tibetan Administration, Sikyong Dr Lobsang Sangay

**14:30 - 15:30**

- Discussion on respect for human rights in ACP countries following the expiry of the Cotonou Agreement

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**15:30 - 17:00**

- Workshop on the expansion of the concept of human rights: impact on rights promotion and protection (see separate programme)

**17:00 - 18:30**

*In association with the Delegation to the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Association Committee*

- Human rights situation in Ukraine
- Presentation of a study on 'The human rights situation in Ukraine and the EU's response, including relevant activities of the European Parliament'
- Discussion with Crimean Tatar leaders Akhtem Chiygoz and Ilmi Umerov

## Subcommittee on Human Rights

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

## Committee on Development

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G-3**

**Votes starting at 09:00**

- The next MFF: Preparing the Parliament's position on the MFF post-2020 - vote on an opinion by Paul Rübig (PPE, AT)

**11:00 - 12:00**

*Jointly with the Committee on International Trade (INTA)*

- Discussion on EU Aid for Trade Strategy

**14:30 - 16:00**

- Humanitarian Aid Priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency - Discussion with Ekaterina Zaharieva, Deputy Prime Minister for Judicial Reform and Minister of Foreign Affairs

## Committee on Development

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G-3**

**10.30 – 11.30**

- Commission proposal for negotiating directives for a post-2020 Partnership Agreement between the EU and ACP countries - Discussion with Neven Mimica, European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development

## Committee on International Trade

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-17:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

**15:00**

- Presentation by Emil Karanikolov, Minister of Economy, representing the President-in-Office of the Council, on the priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency in the area of International Trade Policy



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## Joint debate

- Discussion on the implementation of the EU association agreement with Moldova
- Discussion on the implementation of the EU association agreement with Georgia
- Discussion on the implementation of the EU association agreement with Ukraine

## Committee on International Trade

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

### Votes starting at 10:00

- Protection against dumped and subsidised imports from countries not members of the EC - Vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations by Christofer Fjellner (PPE, SV)

### 14:30 - 16:30 Public hearing

- Screening of foreign investment in the EU (*see separate programme*)

### 16.30 – 18.30

- Presentation by Cecilia Malmström, Commissioner for Trade, on the finalisation of the EU-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA)
- State of play of the trade negotiations with Mercosur

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

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

- Exchange of views with Mr Neno DIMOV, Minister of Environment and Water, Bulgarian Presidency
- Exchange of views with Guy VERHOFSTADT, EP Brexit coordinator, and Elmar BROK, member of the Brexit steering group, on the UK's withdrawal from the EU

### Votes

- Binding annual greenhouse gas emission reductions by Member States from 2021 to 2030 for a resilient Energy Union and to meet commitments under the Paris Agreement and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change - Vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations - Rapporteur: Gerben-Jan GERBRANDY (ALDE, NL)
- Inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change - Vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations - Rapporteur: Norbert LINS (EPP, DE)
- Vaccine hesitancy and drop in vaccination rates in Europe - Adoption of question for oral answer to the Commission, Adoption of questions for oral answer to the Council - Co-rapporteurs: Renate SOMMER (EPP, DE), Elena GENTILE (S&D, IT), Bolesław G. PIECHA (ECR, PL), Gesine MEISSNER (ALDE, DE), Kateřina KONEČNÁ (GUE/NGL, CZ), Marco AFFRONTI (Greens/EFA), Mireille D'ORNANO (EFDD, FR)

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- Monitoring and reporting of CO2 emissions from and fuel consumption of new heavy-duty vehicles - Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Damiano ZOFFOLI (S&D, IT)
- Definition, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs and the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks - Adoption of draft report - Rapporteur: Pilar AYUSO (EPP, ES)
- The next MFF: Preparing the Parliament's position on the MFF post-2020 - Adoption of draft opinion - Rapporteur: Anneli JÄÄTTEENMÄKI (ALDE, FI)
- A European strategy on Cooperative Intelligent Transport Systems - Adoption of draft opinion - Rapporteur: Christel SCHALDEMOSE (S&D, DE)
- European Semester for economic policy coordination: Annual Growth Survey 2018 - Adoption of draft opinion - Rapporteur: Nuno MELO (EPP, PT)
- 2016 discharge: EU general budget Commission - European Medicines Agency (EMA) - European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) - European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) - European Environment Agency (EEA) - European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) - adoption of draft opinions - Rapporteur: Adina-Ioana VĂLEAN (EPP, RO)

## End of votes

- Exchange of views with Ms Elżbieta BIENKOWSKA, European Commissioner for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs on Follow-up to EMIS recommendations under ENVI remit

## Committee on Legal Affairs

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 5B1**

### VOTES (10.00-11.00)

- Adapting a number of legal acts in the area of justice to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU) (Commission delegated acts) and Articles 290 and 291 TFEU (Commission delegated and implementing acts) (COD), rapporteur József SZÁJER (EPP, HU) - vote on two draft reports

### Jointly with the Constitutional Affairs Committee (11.00-11.45)

- Better Law-Making - interpretation and implementation of the interinstitutional agreement (INI), rapporteurs Pavel SVOBODA (EPP, CZ) and Richard CORBETT (S&D, UK) - discussion on draft report

### Afternoon

- Contracts for the supply of digital content (COD), rapporteurs Evelyne GEBHARDT (S&D, DE) and Axel VOSS (EPP, DE) - reporting back to committee

## Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:00 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

### Interparliamentary committee meeting with national parliaments (09.00-17.40)

- The European Agenda on Migration : What about Legal Avenues and Integration? - *see Special events*

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

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

- Location of the seat of the European Medicines Agency - Consideration of draft report - Rapporteur: Giovanni LA VIA (EPP, IT)

### ***Presentation of the Council Presidency's programme***

- Exchange of views with Mr Kiril ANANIEV, Minister of Health, Bulgarian Presidency

## Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G-3**

### ***Joint debate - Presentation by the Commission of the Goods Package***

- Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee: The Goods Package: Reinforcing trust in the single market
- Proposal for a Regulation laying down rules and procedures for compliance with and enforcement of Union harmonisation legislation on products and amending Regulations and Directives - COM(2017)795
- Proposal for a Regulation on the mutual recognition of goods lawfully marketed in another Member State - COM(2017)796

## Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-16:00 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G-3**

- Presentation of the Council Presidency's programme with Emil KARANIKOLOV, Minister of Economy and Ivaylo MOSKOVSKI, Minister for Transport, Information Technology and Communications

### **Votes**

- Approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles - Vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations - Rapporteur: Daniel DALTON (ECR, UK)

## Committee on Transport and Tourism

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2**

## Committee on Transport and Tourism

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2**

- Cross-border parcel delivery services (COD) - vote on the provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations, report by Lucy Anderson (S&D, UK)
- Priorities of the Bulgarian presidency of the Council - discussion with Ivaylo MOSKOVSKI, Minister of Transport and Infrastructure

## Committee on Regional Development

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A002**

- European Investment Fund - exchange of views with Hubert COTTOGNI, Director, Head of Mandate Management, EIF

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- Priorities of Bulgarian presidency of the Council - exchange of views with Tomislav DONCHEV, Deputy Prime Minister for EU Funds and Economic Policies

## Committee on Regional Development

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A002**

- Workshop on the "7th Report on Economic, Social and Territorial Cohesion" (9.45-11.30) - see *Special events*

## Committee on Fisheries

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 14:30-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001**

- Priorities of the Bulgarian presidency of the Council - discussion with Rumens PORODZANOV, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Forestry

## Committee on Fisheries

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001**

- Hearing on the "Multiannual plan for small pelagic stocks in the Adriatic Sea" (9.00 - 11.30) - see *Public hearings*

## Committee on Culture and Education

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:30-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3E2**

- Priorities of the Bulgarian presidency of the Council - discussion with Krasimir VALCHEV, Minister of Education and Science, Krasen KRALEV, Minister of Youth and Sport, and Boil BANOVA, Minister of Culture
- Hearing on "The EU Youth Strategy" (14.30-17.00) - see *Public Hearings*

## Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:00-17:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

- LIBE-PANA ad-hoc Delegation to Malta, 30 November-01 December 2017 - discussion on draft delegation report (09.00-10.00)
- EU Justice and Home Affairs (JHA) agencies' network: report on 2017 activities and priorities for cooperation in 2018 - discussion with Alexis GOOSDEEL, Director of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) and Virginija LANGBAKK, Director of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) (10.00-10.45)

**(10.45-11.00)**

- Conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of highly skilled employment (COD), rapporteur Claude MORAES (S&D, UK) - reporting back to committee on interinstitutional negotiations
- Union Resettlement Framework (COD), rapporteur Malin BJÖRK (GUE/NGL, SE) - reporting back to committee on interinstitutional negotiations

**VOTES (11.00-12.10)**

- Centralised system for the identification of Member States holding conviction information on third country nationals and stateless persons (TCN) to supplement and support the European Criminal Records Information System (ECRIS-TCN system) (COD), rapporteur Daniel DALTON (ECR, UK) - vote on draft report and vote on the decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations and on the composition of the negotiating team

## **end of votes**

- Joint debate with the EP Delegation for relations with Maghreb countries (DMAG) - debriefing by the EEAS and UNHCR from the Foreign Affairs Council discussion on 22 February 2018 on Libya **(14.15-15.00)**
- US Microsoft case (US of America v Microsoft Corporation) - MEPs brief of *amicus curiae* submitted to the US Supreme Court - discussion with Jan Philipp ALBRECHT (Greens/EFA, DE), LIBE Vice-Chair and former General Data Protection Regulation Rapporteur **(15.00-15.30)**

## **Committee on Constitutional Affairs**

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G2**

- Conclusions of the Estonian Presidency of the Council of the EU - discussion with Matti MAASIKAS, Deputy Minister for EU Affairs of the Republic of Estonia **(15.10-16.00)**
- Priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the EU - discussion with Monika PANAYOTOVA, Deputy Minister for the Bulgarian Presidency **(16.00-17.00)**

## **Committee on Constitutional Affairs**

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G2**

- Withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union (Article 50 TEU) - discussion on the state of play with Guy VERHOFSTADT (ALDE, BE), Parliament's coordinator for the negotiations and Danuta Maria HÜBNER (EPP, PL) member of Parliament's Steering Group **(09.00-10.00)**

## **VOTES (10.00-11.10)**

- Composition of the European Parliament (INL), co-rapporteurs Danuta Maria Hübner (EPP, PL) and Pedro SILVA PEREIRA (S&D, PT) - vote on draft report
- Revision of the Framework Agreement on relations between the European Parliament and the European Commission (ACI), rapporteur Esteban GONZÁLEZ PONS (EPP, ES) - vote on draft report

## **Committee on Constitutional Affairs**

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 11:00-11:45 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 5B1**

**Jointly with the Legal Affairs Committee**

- Better Law-Making - interpretation and implementation of the interinstitutional agreement (INI), rapporteurs Pavel SVOBODA (EPP, CZ) and Richard CORBETT (S&D, UK) - discussion on draft report

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

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-17:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G3**

**Jointly with the Committee on International Trade (09.00-09.30)**

- Gender Equality in EU Trade Agreements (INI), rapporteurs Eleonora FORENZA (GUE/NGL, IT) and Malin BJÖRK (GUE/NGL, SE) - vote on draft report

## **VOTES (09.30-10.30)**

- Recommendation to the Council on the EU priorities for the 62nd session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (INI), co-rapporteurs Ángela VALLINA

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(GUE/NGL, ES) and Izaskun BILBAO BARANDICA (ALDE, ES) - vote on draft report

- Zero tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation (GM) (RSP), rapporteur Vilija BLINKEVIČIŪTĖ (S&D, LT) - vote on question for oral answer and vote on a motion for a resolution
- Empowering women and girls through the digital sector (RSP) - vote on question for oral answer

## **end of votes**

- Priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the EU - discussion with Biser PETKOV, Minister of Labour and Social Policy (**10.30-11.30**)
- Discussion with Barbara HENDRICKS, UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador (**11.30-12.30**)

## **Committee on Petitions**

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3**

## **Committee on Petitions**

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3**

- Protection and non-discrimination of minorities in the EU Member States (RSP) - vote on a draft short resolution

## **Special Committee on Terrorism**

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B1**

- Discussion with Fabrice LEGGERI, Executive Director of Frontex (**16.45-18.30**)

## **Special Committee on Terrorism**

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B1**

- Discussion with Dimitris AVRAMOPOULOS, Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship (**11.00-11.15**)

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### The future of defence industrial policy

**Monday 22/01/2018 15:00-17:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

The **Committee on Industry, Research and Energy** will be holding a public hearing on the future of defence industrial policy. The hearing will focus on the current Commission proposal on the European Defence Industrial Development Programme. This is one of the building blocks of the European Defence Fund and should be the forerunner to programmes in the next MFF to support defence industrial development and defence research.

### The EU Youth Strategy

**Tuesday 23/01/2018 14:30-17:00 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3E2**

The **Committee on Culture and Education** organises a Public hearing on the EU Youth Strategy . The purpose of the hearing is to propose options and policy instruments for a renewed EU Youth Strategy post 2018. The hearing will shed light on how to develop and streamline a more integrated and ambitious EU strategic approach towards youth issues in a complex global context by offering more relevant priorities and the necessary elements for a strong policy framework.

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### **The European Agenda on Migration : What about Legal Avenues and Integration?**

**Wednesday 24/01/2018 09:00-17:40 Brussels, Jacques Delors, 4Q2**

#### **Interparliamentary committee meeting with National Parliaments**

Now at the start of 2018, it is time to take stock of the EU response to the current migration challenge as it was initially framed in the 2015 European Commission's [European Agenda on Migration](#).

This one-day event, organised by the **Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee**, will give parliamentarians at both national and European level a unique opportunity to exchange with representatives of EU institutions, bodies and agencies, intergovernmental organisations, local governments, academics and think tanks on a topic which combines competences at all levels of governance in the EU.

Discussion will be divided into four sessions followed by a closing session.

1. The European Agenda for Migration - legal avenues and integration two years on
2. Legal avenues for international protection
3. Labour migration and family reunification
4. Integration - opportunities and challenges
- 5 Closing remarks

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### **REGI Workshop on the 7th Cohesion report**

**Thursday 25/01/2018 09:45-11:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A2**

**The Committee on Regional Development** will hold a Workshop on the 7th Report on Economic, Social and Territorial Cohesion. The 7th Cohesion Report was published by the Commission beginning of October 2017 and it is a key document in the context of the upcoming reform of the European Union Cohesion Policy for the next programming period. MEPs will draw up a non-legislative report, on this topic (rapporteur Marc Joulaud (EPP, FR)). Various experts will discuss with MEPs the two main questions- also pointed out in the Commission's communication- namely: where cohesion policy should invest and what should be the investment priorities. They will also present themes such as the middle income trap, urban dimension of cohesion policy and urban agenda, relations between urban-rural areas, as well as the balance between European priorities and territorial needs.



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