



# Agenda

## The Week Ahead 22 – 28 September 2014

### Committee meetings, Brussels

**Preparing for the hearings of commissioners-designate.** EP committees and political groups will go on preparing for the hearings taking place from 29 September to 7 October. The Legal Affairs Committee will meet in camera to discuss the candidates' declarations of financial interests. *(Thursday)*

**Draghi.** The European Central Bank's President Mario Draghi will debate its perspective on economic and monetary developments with Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee MEPs. Targeted longer-term refinancing operations (TLTROs) and the effects of Euro area countries' differing inflation rates on common monetary policy are also likely to be debated. *(Monday)*

**Carbon leakage.** A draft measure partially exempting certain industries from paying for CO2 emission allowances under the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS) so as to prevent "carbon leakage" (i.e. production and jobs relocating to third countries) will run into objections in the Environment Committee. Parliament has a right of veto. *(Wednesday)*

**EU-Russia trade restrictions.** The economic consequences of Russia's ban on farm produce imports from the EU and EU economic restrictions against Russia will be debated by the International Trade Committee. These sanctions are already hurting EU producers and, if they persist, could have a longer-lasting impact on growth and jobs. *(Wednesday)*

**Gaza.** UNRWA Director Robert Turner will brief Foreign Affairs Committee MEPs on the situation in Gaza after the ceasefire. *(Tuesday)*

**Sakharov Prize.** Nominees for the 2014 Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought will be presented by political groups and individual MEPs at a joint meeting of the Foreign Affairs and Development committees and the Human Rights Subcommittee. The European Parliament awards the prize every year to honour defenders of human rights and freedom of expression. *(Tuesday)*

**President's agenda.** EP President Martin Schulz will meet Portugal's Prime Minister Pedro Passos Coelho in Lisbon on Tuesday (followed by a press point)

**Briefing on hearings of commissioners-designate.** The EP Spokesperson and press service will hold a technical briefing on the public hearings of the candidate commissioners on Thursday in Brussels.

## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

### The President's diary

**Monday 22/09/2014 16:00-17:00**

#### Brussels

16:00 Meeting with Herman Van Rompuy, President of the European Council - Paul-Henri Spaak building, 9th floor, President's office

### The President's diary

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 15:00-17:00**

#### Lisbon

15:00 Meeting with Pedro Passos Coelho, Prime Minister of Portugal (followed by press point)

16:00 Visit to the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) and European Maritime Safety Agency (ESMA) (followed by press point)

### The President's diary

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 16:00-19:00**

#### Brussels

16:00 Meeting with Sergio Aires, President of European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) and Barbara Helfferich, Director of EAPN - Paul-Henri Spaak building, 9th floor, President's office

17:00 Opening the event: "Gabriel García Márquez: a bridge of words between Europe and Colombia" - Paul-Henri Spaak building, 1st floor, Yehudi Menuhin space

18:00 Speech at ETUC conference "The way to quality jobs and prosperity?", Hotel Thon Europe, 1040 Brussels

### The President's diary

**Thursday 25/09/2014 09:00-10:00**

#### Brussels

09:00 Meeting with advisory board of ver.di - Rue Joseph II, Brussels

## PRESS CONFERENCES

### **AGRI,PECH and REGI committee's expectations from the next Commission, ahead of the EP hearings**

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 14:00-14:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A50**

Alain CADEC (EPP,FR), Chair of the Committee on Fisheries, Iskra MIHAYLOVA (ALDE, BG), Chair of the Committee on Regional Development and Czeslaw Adam SIEKIERSKI (EPP,PL), Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

### **MEPs against oil prospection and operations in the Canary Islands.**

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 15:00-15:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A50**

Marina ALBIOL GUZMAN (GUE/NGL, ES), Pablo ECHENIQUE (GUE/NGL, ES), Ernest URTASUN (GREENS/EFA, ES), Jordi SEBASTIA (GREENS/EFA, ES), and Ezequiel NAVIO

### **The Syrian Kurds and the Daech offensive**

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 14:30-15:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, A050**

Marie-Christine VERGIAT (GUE/NGL, FR), Salih MUSLIM, and Eyyüp DORU

### **Technical briefing on the public hearings of the candidate commissioners**

**Thursday 25/09/2014 10:00-10:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, A050**

### **Persona non grata - MEP prevented from entering Russia**

**Friday 26/09/2014 11:30-12:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, A050**

Rebecca Harms (Greens/EFA, DE)

## PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

### Budgetary Control Committee

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1**

- Special Report No 13/2013 (2013 Discharge): "EU Development Assistance to Central Asia" - Rapporteur: Gilles PARGNEAUX (S&D) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Hans Gustaf WESSBERG
- Special Report No 11/2013 (2013 discharge) - Getting the Gross National Income (GNI) data right: a more structured and better-focussed approach would improve the effectiveness of the Commission's verification - Rapporteur: Bart STAES (Verts/ALE) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Milan MARTIN CVIKI
- Special Report No 2/2014 (2013 Discharge) "Are Preferential Trade Arrangements appropriately managed?" - Rapporteur: Bart STAES (Verts/ALE) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Baudilio TOME MUGURUZA
- Special Report No 15/2013 (2013 Discharge) "Has the Environment component of the LIFE programme been effective?" - Rapporteur: Tomáš ZDECHOVSKY (PPE) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Jan KINST
- Special Report No 1/2014 (2013 Discharge) "Effectiveness of EU-supported public urban transport projects" - Rapporteur: Georgi PIRINSKI (S&D) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Iliana IVANOVA

### Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

- Monetary Dialogue with Mario DRAGHI, President of the European Central Bank **(15.00-17.00)**
- Scrutiny of delegated acts and implementing measures - Discussion with Michel BARNIER, Commissioner of internal market and Services, on the implementation of The Directive on Bank Recovery and Resolution/Single Resolution Mechanism (BRRD/SRM) and other files **(17.00-18.45)**

### Committee on Foreign Affairs

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

**(16:30-17:30)**

- Discussion with Romana VLAHUTIN, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Albania - **in camera**

### Committee on Fisheries

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3**

- Hearing on the "Fight against Illegal (IUU) Fishing" **(15.00-18.30)** - *see Public Hearings*

## Committee on Regional Development

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G3**

- Priorities of the Italian presidency of the Council - discussion with Graziano DELRIO, State Secretary to the Prime Minister
- Discussion with Johannes HAHN, Commissioner of Regional Policy

## Budgetary Control Committee

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1**

**9.00 – 11.30**

- Discharge 2012: The Office of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) (DEC) - vote on the report by Petri Sarvamaa (PPE, FI)
- Discharge 2012: EU general budget - Council and European Council (DEC) - vote on the report by Tamás Deutsch (PPE, HU)

### **End of electronic vote**

- Tobacco Agreements - Discussion with the Member of the European Commission responsible for Taxation, Customs, Statistics, Audit and Anti-Fraud, Algirdas SEMETA
- Report from the Commission on Protection of the European Union's financial interests - Fight against fraud 2013 Annual report -Discussion with the Member of the European Commission responsible for Taxation, Customs, Statistics, Audit and Anti-Fraud, Algirdas SEMETA
- The OLAF report 2013 – Fourteenth report of the European Anti-Fraud Office, 1 January to 31 December 2013 - Presentation of the 2013 Annual Report of OLAF by the Director-General of the European Anti-Fraud Office, Giovanni KESSLER
- Special Report No 18/2013 (2013 Discharge) "The reliability of the results of the Member States' checks of the agricultural expenditure" - Rapporteur: Karin KADENBACH (S&D) - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Rasa BUDBERGYTE
- Special Report No 3/2014 (2013 Discharge) "Lessons from the European Commission's development of the second generation Schengen Information System (SIS II)" - Rapporteur: Monika HOHLMEIER - Discussion and consideration of a working document, in the presence of the Member of the European Court of Auditors responsible, Pietro RUSSO

## Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A002**

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## Committee on Foreign Affairs

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

**(09:00-10:30)**

- Discussion on topical issues, follow-up on adopted resolutions:
  - Ukraine: political situation and ratification of the Association Agreement
  - Iraq-Syria, Gaza and Libya

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**(10:30-11:30)**

- Discussion with Viorel ISTICIOAIA-BUDURA, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Japan - **in camera**

**Jointly with the Committee on Budgetary Control ( room JAN 4Q1, 11:30-12:30)**

- Joint presentation in the presence of the Member responsible of the European Court of Auditors, Szabolcs FAZAKAS

**(15:00-16:15)**

- Discussion with Robert TURNER, Director of UNRWA Operations in Gaza

**Jointly with the Committee on Development and the Subcommittee on Human Rights (16:15-18:30)**

- Presentation of the 2014 Sakharov Prize nominees

## **Committee on Fisheries**

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3**

## **Committee on Regional Development**

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G3**

## **Committee on Development**

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 10:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

- Discussion on the Ebola Crisis (10:30-12:30)

**Jointly with the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Subcommittee on Human Rights (16:15-18:30)**

- Sakharov Prize 2014: Presentation of the candidates (in meeting room József Antall 2Q2)

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

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 12:30-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

- Discussion with Joaquín ALMUNIA, Commissioner for Competition (09.00-10.30)

**(15.00-17.00)**

- Hearing with Andrea ENRIA, Chairman of the European Banking Authority, Gabriel BERNARDINO, Chairman of the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority and with Steven MAIJOOR, Chairman of the European Securities and Markets Autho (**See public hearings**)

## **Committee on International Trade**

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3E-2**

**(09:30-11:30)**

- Discussion on the state of play of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement - **in camera**

**Joint debate**

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- Association Agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and Georgia (NLE) - consideration of an opinion, rapporteur Olli REHN (ALDE, FI)
- Conclusion of an Association Agreement between the EU and Georgia (INI) - consideration of an opinion, rapporteur Olli REHN (ALDE, FI)

## Joint debate

- Association Agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and the Republic of Moldova (NLE) - consideration of an opinion, rapporteur Ionel-Sorin MOISă (S&D, RO)
- Conclusion of an Association Agreement between the EU and the Republic of Moldova (INI) - consideration of an opinion, rapporteur Ionel-Sorin MOISă (S&D, RO)

**(15:00-18:30)**

- Discussion with EU Ambassador to the WTO, Angelos PANGRATIS
- Discussion on EU-Russia trade sanctions
- Discussion on the state of play of the negotiation and implementation of Economic Partnership Agreements
- Discussion on the conclusion of the trade negotiations with Ecuador to join the EU Free Trade Agreement with Peru/Colombia

## Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3**

**10.00-12.30**

- General budget of the EU for the financial year 2015 - all sections (BUD), vote on gender mainstreaming amendments (GMAs), rapporteurs Eider GARDIAZABAL RUBIAL (S&D, ES) and Monika HOHLMEIER (EPP, DE)
- Hearing of Commissioner Designate - discussion on the state of play

## Committee on Legal Affairs

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-18:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 5B001**

- Workshop on upcoming issues of EU law (15.00-18.00) PHS 5B1 - see *Special events*

## Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-17:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C50**

## Committee on Petitions

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1 (tbc)**

- Presentation by the European Ombudsman, Mrs Emily O'REILLY of her Annual Report (11.30 approx.)

## Subcommittee on Security and Defence

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 4B001**

**With the Council and Commission and EEAS (09.00-12.30)**

- Discussion with General Patrick de ROUSIERS, Chairman of the EU Military Committee



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- European territorial reassurance measures to address the current security situation?

Discussion with:

- Timo S. KOSTER, Director Defence Policy and Capabilities Directorate, NATO
- a representative of the EEAS (tbc)

**(15.00 - 18.30)**

- The international security threat posed by ISIS in Iraq/Syria and beyond

Discussion with:

- Gilles de KERCHOVE, EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator
- a representative of the EEAS (tbc)
- Florence GAUB, Senior Analyst at EUISS (EU Institute for Security Studies)

## Subcommittee on Human Rights

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:00-18:30 Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 3G-3**

**(09:15-11:15)**

- Hearing on business and respect for the human rights of workers (outside the EU) (*see public hearings*)
- Discussion on torture and the death penalty on the occasion of the forthcoming World Day against the Death Penalty (10 October)

## Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

Presentation of the Council Presidency's programme

- Discussion with Federica Guidi, Italian Minister for Economic development ( **15:00 - 16:15**)
- Discussion with Sandro Gozi, Italian Under-Secretary for European Affairs ( **16:15 - 17:15**)

## Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 15:00-18:30 Brussels, József Antall, 2Q2**

**(15.00-18.30)**

- Industry, Competitiveness and Space policy - Discussion with Commissioner Nelli FEROC
- Security of Supply and Energy Efficiency - Discussion with Commissioner Günther OETTINGER

## Budgets Committee

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 15:00-18:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A002**

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## Committee on Legal Affairs

**Thursday 25/09/2014 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 5B001**



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- Verification of the declarations of financial interest of the Commissioners-designate **(10.00) (in camera)**

## Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection

**Thursday 25/09/2014 09:00-12:30 Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2**

### Vote

- Deployment of the eCall in-vehicle system - Consideration of mandate to enter dialogue negotiations - Rapporteur, Olga SEHNALOVÁ (S&D, CZ)

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## Budgets Committee

**Thursday 25/09/2014 09:00-12:30 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 1A002**

- BUDGET 2015 - Discussion on the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2015 - all sections (BUD) - Co-rapporteurs: Eider GARDIAZABAL RUBIAL (S&D) and Monika HOHLMEIER (EPP)
- BUDGET 2014 - Discussion on draft amending budget No 2/2014 - surplus resulting from the implementation of the budget year 2013 (BUD) - Rapporteur: Gérard DEPRez (ALDE)
- Draft amending budget No 3/2014: Revenue from fines and interest payments - revenue from reimbursements and repayments to FEMIP (Facility for Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership) - Redeployment of appropriations to the European Fisheries Fund - Increase in payment appropriations for commitments corresponding to previous annual budgets - Unforeseen actions in accordance with Article 13 of the MFF Regulation - Staff of the European Commission, the Offices, the Committee of the Regions and the European Data Protection Supervisor (BUD) - Rapporteur: Gérard DEPRez (ALDE)
- Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund : application EGF/2013/002 BE/Carsid – Belgium (BUD) - discussion (to be confirmed)
- Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund: application EGF/2014/006 FR/PSA (BUD) - discussion (to be confirmed)

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### Fight against Illegal (IUU) Fishing

**Monday 22/09/2014 15:00-18:30** *Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 1G3*

Illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU) is one of the most serious threats to the conservation of fish stocks and the economy and employment within the European fisheries sector. The **Committee on Fisheries** will hold a hearing with various experts on the subject, in order to discuss the situation with regard to illegal fishing and ways to deter it in the future.

### Hearing with Enria, Barnardino and Maijoor.

**Tuesday 23/09/2014 15:00-17:00** *Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2*

Exchange of views with the three chairs of financial supervisory authorities, Andrea ENRIA, Chairman of the European Banking Authority, Gabriel BERNARDINO, Chairman of the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority and with Steven MAIJOOR, Chairman of the European Securities and Markets Authority.

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### Hearing on business and respect for the human rights of workers

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 09:15-11:15** *Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, A3G-3*

The hearing will focus on the respect of human rights of workers outside the EU. Experts and speakers from the International Labour Organization, International Trade Union Confederation, Employers' associations, the European Coalition for Corporate Justice and the International Federation of Human Rights will participate in the debate.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Workshop on upcoming issues of EU law

**Wednesday 24/09/2014 15:00-18:00 Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 5B1**

Organised by the **Committee on Legal Affairs**, the purpose of this workshop is to look at avenues for future development of EU law in general and the areas of responsibility of the committee in particular.

See link to draft programme.

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

**Thursday 25/09/2014 10:00-12:30 Brussels, József Antall, 4Q2**

Workshop in view of hearings of Commissioners-designate. **See link to the agenda.**

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