

Rule of law in Poland: Civil Liberties Committee to debate state of play

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Civil Liberties Committee MEPs questioned Commission First Vice-President Frans Timmermans about the respect of the rule of law in Poland on Wednesday. The Commission began investigating the situation in Poland under the "Framework for addressing systemic threats to the Rule of Law" on 13 January 2016. MEPs discussed the progress of the investigation procedure and possible further developments, including the advisability of otherwise triggering the Article 7 of the Treaty against Poland.

You can watch the recording of the deliberations via

[EP Live](#).

Further information

- Recording of the meeting via EP Live (16:41 -17:51): <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/ep-live/en/committees/video?event=20170322-1500-COMMITTEE-LIBE>
- Rule of law and democracy in Poland debated in Parliament for the fourth time (press release 14-12-2016): <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/news-room/20161209IPR55523/rule-of-law-and-democracy-in-poland-debated-in-parliament-for-the-fourth-time>
- EC Communication: Framework for addressing systemic threats to the Rule of Law: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52014DC0158>
- Poland and the Rule of Law Framework: Questions & Answers (Commission's fact sheet, January 2016): http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_MEMO-16-62_en.htm
- Draft agenda of the Civil Liberties meeting on 22 March: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/draft-agendas.html>
- Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/libe/home.html>

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