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Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

EMPL COORDINATORS' MEETING

Thursday, 9 June 2016, 10:00 - 11:30

Room LOW S2.1 (in camera), Strasbourg

RESULTS

13.6.2016

Changes appear in yellow

The meeting started at 10:05 hrs and closed at 11:01 hrs. In the Chair: Thomas Händel, EMPL Chair.

Present

Chair	Mr Thomas Händel, EMPL Chair
EPP	Mr David Casa, Coordinator
S&D	Ms Jutta Steinruck, Coordinator
ECR	Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator
ALDE	Ms Marian Harkin, Coordinator
GUE/NGL	Ms Rina Ronja Kari GUE/NGL Co-Coordinator
Greens/EFA	Ms Jean Lambert
EFDD	Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator

Also present

Marita Ulvskog, 1st vice-chair

Apologies

GUE/NGL	Mr João Pimenta Lopes, Co-Coordinator
ENF	Mr Dominique Martin, Coordinator

1. Chair's announcements

1.1 Interpretation

Interpretation was available in German, English, Italian, French and Danish.

1.2 Pending conflicts of competence

1.2.1 Youth Employment Initiative implementation report - conflicts with CONT (PR)

Update: After EMPL on the 4th of April sent a letter to the CCC stating its position to continue blocking the CONT INI report, CONT, on the 1st of June, sent a letter with an updated request, changing the envisaged title to “Control of spending and monitoring of EU Youth Guarantee schemes cost-effectiveness”, intended to reduce the scope of the INI to exclusive CONT competences, requesting authorisation for the INI under this revised title.

Decision: Not to lift the EMPL objection since meaningful data from the Commission will become available only in October; letter sent.

Annex: CONT letter 1st of June, EMPL letter of 7 June 2016.

1.2.2 Rejection of IMCO request to apply Rule 53+ to the Posting of Workers Directive (RS, PR)

Update: CCC Chair Mr Buzek proposed on 25 May that the Chairs of IMCO and EMPL meet in order to discuss the issue. That meeting had been scheduled for 8 June but had to be postponed, any new developments will be communicated as soon as possible.

The Chair suggested that an interparliamentary committee meeting on the revision of the Posting of Workers Directive e organised in autumn. **Decision to be taken at the next Coordinators' meeting.**

1.2.3 Inland waterway navigation recognition of professional qualifications (MG)

Update: Letter to CCC requesting Rule 54 was sent, informal discussions between TRAN and EMPL Rapporteurs ongoing.

1.2.4 Request by EMPL to apply Informal Rule 54 to the TRAN report on the Postal Services Directive (PR)

Update: A date is being planned to discuss the matter bilaterally with the TRAN Chair.

1.3 Invitation to the Director of FRA, Michael O’Flaherty (RS)

Decision

The Coordinators decided to invite Mr O’Flaherty¹ to update the Committee on recent cases of severe labour exploitation² (linked to the ILO Protocol against forced labour) and on other issues falling under the remit of the FRA, such as the implementation of the UNCRPD.

The Coordinators noted that the EMPL Chair requested a Rule 54 opinion on the planned AFCO report on the implementation of EU fundamental rights charter.

2. Follow-up to previous decisions of the Coordinators (for information - discussion only where explicitly requested)

2.1 Invitations to Commissioners

- On 14 April 2016, the Coordinators decided to invite Commissioner **Avramopoulos** (responsible for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship) for an exchange of views. [PR] - Invitation letter has been sent
- VP **Dombrovskis** (Structured Dialogue) is not available on 24 May, the Secretariat is exploring other options. [MM] **Update:** None of the dates suggested by EMPL was approved, **VP Dombrovskis will appear before a joint EMPL/ECON meeting on the country-specific recommendations on 14 June 2016, 16.30-18.30**
- Commissioner **Šefčovič** (consequences for employment triggered by the energy transition) **confirmed his participation for 15 June** (15.00 – 16.20). [CO]
- VP **Katainen** will address **EMPL on 21 June, from 15.00 until 16:30**, other business allowing), to discuss the implementation of the Commission Work Programme for that year and the preparation of the future Commission Work Programme [MM] as well as the Commission communication "**Steel: Preserving sustainable jobs and growth in Europe**"³ (The Cabinet of VP Katainen confirmed, by email, that his intervention will refer also to employment aspects linked to steel policy [CO])

¹ <http://fra.europa.eu/en/press-release/2015/michael-oflaherty-become-new-fra-director>

² FRA report: <http://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2015/severe-labour-exploitation-workers-moving-within-or-european-union>

³ http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-804_en.htm

- Commissioner **Oettinger** was invited by letter from the Chair to an exchange of views with the EMPL Committee, to discuss the impact of the Commission's Digital Agenda / the Digital Single Market Act on the Committee's field of responsibilities, in particular with regard to employment, wages and skills. **Mr Oettinger will attend the EMPL meeting on 15 June, 17h30-18h30 (LS/RS)**
- Invitation to Commissioner **Malmström** for a presentation (MK) - Coordinators' decision of 17 March 2016:

Update: Preliminary contacts were established. **Answer received: "We would rather suggest a date early in the second half of the year or may ask our services to replace the Commissioner on this occasion."**

Invitation letter sent dates indicated September or one of the 2 November committee meetings [MK]

2.2 Discussions with relevant European organisations on concrete realisations in the EMPL field

Decision

The Coordinators took note that Ms Jazłowiecka had withdrawn her proposal.

3. Allocation of reports and opinions

For information: own-initiative reports for which authorisation was requested (no more than 6 at any given time):

The following 4 ordinary INI reports are currently in progress:

Rapporteur/Title	Date of the Coordinators Decision	Letter asking for authorisation to CCC	Date of the CCC decision	Date of the CoP decision	Indicative date of the vote in EMPL
Guillaume Balas - Social dumping in the European Union(BM)	09.07.2015	02.09.2015	08.09.2015	01.10.2015	15.06.2016 postponed
Thomas Händel - Workers representation on board level in Europe (BM)	25.06.2015	01.07.2015	07.07.2015	03.09.2015	15.06.2016 postponed
Zdzisław Krasnodebski - How best to harness the job creation potential of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)?"(LS/CO)	15.10.2015	28.10.2015	27.10.2015	19.11.2015	13 - 14 July
Tatjana Zdanoka - EMPL/FEMM rule 55 - Creating Labour Market Conditions Favourable for Work-Life Balance (CO)	18.02.2016	09.12.2015	19.01.2016	28.01.2016	11-12 July (FEMM)

The following 2 implementation reports are currently in progress:

Rapporteur/Title	Date of the Coordinator's Decision	Letter asking for authorisation to CCC	Date of the CCC decision	Date of the CoP decision	Indicative date of the vote in EMPL
Marian Harkin - Implementation report on the activities, impact and added value of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund between 2007 and 2014 (CO)	01.09.2015	08.09.2015	6.10.2015	22.10.2015	15-16 June 2016 21 June 2016
Renate Weber - EMPL implementation report on the Employment Equality Directive (MM)	02.03.2015	18.03.2015	28.04.2015	13.05.2015	21.06.2016

Decisions on new own-initiative reports

Candidate list for own-initiative reports - updated table:

Order	Date	INI Title as agreed by Coordinators	Notes	AD	Proposed by
1		Non-legislative aspects of Labour Mobility package, incl. labour mobility in cross-border regions	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015		Consensus
2		Working conditions and precarious employment	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015; Attributed to GUE on 15.10.2015 (Sylikiotis) Coordinators' decision of 7.12.2015	JuB	merged S&D, GUE, EFDD, ENF
3		Combating inequalities as a lever to boost job creation and growth	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015	MA	merged S&D ALDE
4		Minimum income policies as a tool to tackle poverty	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 Covered by INI on Social pillar etc, Coordinators' decision of 14.4.2016 Reinstated, Coordinators' decision of 26.4.2016		EFDD
5		Delivering sustainable long-term employment through re-shoring	Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015.		ECR
6		The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed	Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015:		ALDE

The Chair suggested at the meeting of 26 May 2016 that a future own-initiative report might be dedicated to the campaign of the International Labour Organisation to ratify the Protocol on Forced Labour and to contemporary forms of severe labour exploitation.

Decision

The Coordinators decided to formally request authorisation for the own-initiative report “Working conditions and precarious employment” (rapporteur: Mr Sylikiotis, GUE/NGL). [JuB - draft letter]

Reports

None

Opinions

3.1 The status of fish stocks and the socio-economic situation of the fishing sector in the Mediterranean (JuB)

EMPL/8/06484 2016/2079(INI)

Responsible: PECH

Decision

The ENF Group informed the secretariat that it renounced to drawing up the opinion on “The status of fish stocks and the socio-economic situation of the fishing sector in the Mediterranean” (JuB). The points paid were be reimbursed.

Rapporteur to be nominated by the GUE/NGL Group.

The Coordinators decided that in the future a deadline of 48 hours shall apply for handing back a report.

Documents received for information

3.2 COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT Accompanying the document Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work

SWD(2016)0152

3.3 Commission staff working document: executive summary of the impact assessment accompanying the document: Proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work

SWD(2016)0153

4. SÓGOR report on Tripartite Social Summit (MK)

- in the presence of Mr Sógor -

Tripartite Social Summit for Growth and Employment (EMPL/8/00251 - 2013/0361(APP)).

Rapporteur Csaba SÓGOR

EMPL: Main / Lead

[http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2013/0361\(APP\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2013/0361(APP)&l=en)

Timetable:

Shadows meetings	To be confirmed
Deadline to send draft report to translation	14.06.2016 (noon)
Consideration of the draft report in Committee	21.06.16
Deadline for tabling AMs	27.06.16 , 12h00
Adoption EMPL	13/14.07.16
Plenary estimate	September 2016 (tbc)

Decision

The Coordinators

- *heard the rapporteur, Mr Sógor*
- *agreed with the proposed timetable*
- *agreed that the plenary of the European Parliament should approve the draft Council decision only after having received written confirmation from the President of the European Council and from the President of the Commission that the standing practice to invite the EMPL Chair is invited to TSS meetings shall be continued in the future.*

5. Oral question on the Youth Guarantee and the Youth Employment Initiative (PR)

Decision

The Coordinators

- decided that an Oral Question on YG and YEI be drawn up according to the following time table
 - draft text sent out on Friday 10 June (EN text suggested by the Chair taking into account the draft proposed by S&D)
 - Groups' sponsors to send in comments by Tuesday 14 June cob (EN only)
 - *if needed* on the basis of the comments, revised text to be sent out Wednesday 15 June AM
 - *If needed* a short 'shadows meeting' could be convened Thursday 16 June PM
 - Friday 17 June final version sent out
 - yes/no vote during EMPL 21 June meeting

6. Communication from the Commission - "A European agenda for the collaborative economy" COM(2016)356 of 2 June 2016 (RS)

The Communication can be found here: <http://ec.europa.eu/DocsRoom/documents/16881>

Decision

The Coordinators

- noted that one of the key issues of this communication concerns "self-employed and workers in the collaborative economy", see section 2.4 of this Communication, which raises issues of labour law, in particular the EU definition of "worker" / "employment relationship" for the purpose of applying EU law
- agreed that EMPL should request Rule 54 regarding labour law issues in the event of an IMCO own-initiative report
- asked the Policy Department to submit a literature overview on the situation of workers in the collaborative economy, with a view to drawing up a possible study

- agreed that an Oral Question should be drawn up
- decided to take operational decisions at their next meeting on 21 June.

7. Committee hearings in the second half of 2016 - selection of experts (MG)

Decision

The Coordinators

- *noted that the dates for the hearings shall be as follows*
 - Thursday, 1 September 2016, from 9.00 to 11.30 –
Employee financial participation in the age of digitalisation
 - Monday, 7 November 2016, from 15.00 to 17.30 –
Health and safety related to the new generation jobs
- decided to invite the following (up to 3 *reimbursed*, plus one non-reimbursed) experts to the hearing on employee financial participation (in alphabetical order)
 - Jens Lowitzsch, Professor, European University Viadrina
 - Irene Mandl, Eurofound
 - Peter Scherrer, Deputy SG of the ETUC
 - Victoria Wheal, Acting Group Head of Corporate Affairs, John Lewis Partnership

8. EMPL delegations in the second half of 2016 - update

8.1 Delegation to Greece – new date and composition to be agreed following postponement of the original mission of 19.05-20.05.2016

Decision of 27 May 2016

The Coordinators

- *noted that*
 - *the EMPL delegation to Athens, initially planned for 19-20 May had been postponed at the request of the Greek government owing to technical and scheduling reasons*
 - *the envisaged new date might be 11-12 July, subject to receiving a fresh invitation from the Greek government*
- *agreed to take a final decision at their next meeting (9 June 2016).*

Update: No invitation received yet, to be re-launched.

8.2 Delegation to Malta (MA/JB)

Decision

The Coordinators

- **took note that a fresh letter with detailed arguments had been sent to the President**
- **took note that a delegation to the ETF in Turin would take place during the same turquoise week and that clashes would be avoided to the extent possible**
- **instructed Policy Department A to draw up a note on the employment and social situation in Malta, with a particular regard to the specific issues to be addressed during the trip, on the understanding that work will start only once the authorisation has been granted.**

8.3 Delegation to Turkey (PR/MG)

Update:

After the delegation to Turkey on Refugees, focusing on social inclusion and integration into the labour market, was re-confirmed by EMPL Coordinators during their last meeting, Groups have been invited to inform the EMPL secretariat about the nominations of MEPs, by the 8th of June.

Preliminary programme:

- Monday evening 19 September - individual arrival MEPs in Ankara
- Tuesday 20 September - start of delegation, formal visits Ankara: Turkish authorities, ILO, social partners,
- Wednesday 21 September - AM: visits Ankara continued / PM: travel to second location (Istanbul?)
- Thursday 22 September - 'field visits' zooming in on the labour market integration and social inclusion of refugees
- Friday morning 23 September - end of delegation, individual departure of MEPs

Policy Department A will be requested to provide the Delegation with a note focusing on factors including:

- Development of inflow of refugees and composition
- Relevant labour market reforms and policies for integration of refugees
- External actors working with refugees
- Impact on the Turkish Labour Market

Action proposed:

Nominations Groups:

- EPP: David Casa, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz and Michaela Sojdrova
- S&D: Brando Benifei and Javier López
- ECR: Helga Stevens
- ALDE: Yana Toom
- GREENS: Jean Lambert
- GUE/NGL: Tania Gonzalez (tbc)
- EFDD: Laura Agea expressed her interest to participate

Policy Department A could be instructed to draw up a note on the employment and social situation in Turkey, with a particular regard to the specific issues to be addressed during the trip.

9. EMPL delegations and Committee hearings in the first half of 2017

Turquoise weeks in the first half of 2017:

- 3-6 January (not recommended)
- 20-24 February
- 18-21 April
- 22-26 May

CCC deadline for delegations: 16 September

CCC deadline for hearings: 11 October

Decision

The Coordinators

- agreed that the week from 3-6 January shall not be used for delegation travel
- noted that delegations to the UK and to Washington DC might be envisaged
- instructed the secretariat to invite the groups to make proposals for
 - hearings and
 - delegations in the first half of 2017
 - by Friday, 17 June 2016 COB, thus permitting to have
 - a first exchange of views on 21 June and to take
 - final decisions at the Coordinators' meetings on 8 September 2016 for delegations and on 29 September for hearings at the latest.

10. New Skills Agenda (MG)

Decision

The Coordinators

- *agreed that the leading position of the EMPL committee regarding the skills agenda should be defended*
- *instructed the Chair to write to the Commission to express the committee's irritation that there had been no clear information on the fact that the papers would be adopted only on 10 June, and to request that the relevant papers be forwarded to the committee forthwith.*

11. 2017 Budget – Commission and Council delays and implications (MG)

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the following timetable:

- Consideration of budgetary AMs on July's Committee meeting based on the DB;
- Setting the deadline for budgetary AMs on 18 July;
- A short discussion considering the Council position on 31 August morning at Committee level;
- Vote on 31 August in the afternoon.

12. Motions for Resolution - decision on procedure (MA)

Annex: text of the motions

- 12.1 B8-0535/2016 - Motion for a European Parliament resolution on remedying job insecurity in the tourist industry (for opinion)**
- 12.2 B8-0543/2016 - Motion for a European Parliament resolution on unfair competition resulting from the cabotage system in the road haulage sector (for opinion)**
- 12.3 B8-0662/2016 - Motion for a European Parliament resolution on educational poverty (for opinion)**

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the above motions for resolution and confirmed that no further action was needed.

13. Petitions (MA)

A. Petitions received for opinion

Petition No 0270/2015 by Andrzej Kania (Polish) with 122 signatures as regards the introduction of a minimum wage in Germany and the consequences of this situation for Polish transport companies

The petitioner explains that on 1 January 2015 German legislation entered into force laying down a minimum hourly wage of EUR 8.50. This rate, which is significantly higher than in Poland, will also apply to the employees of foreign companies performing work within Germany. This gives rise to consequences, in particular, for Polish companies engaged in international road transport, whose employees (drivers) drive through Germany in transit or carry goods and/or persons to and from Germany.

This leads to a situation in which an employee of a Polish company, performing his work temporarily within Germany, should receive a different rate of pay whilst performing work in Germany than whilst performing work in Poland. Furthermore, German law imposes registration and supervision obligations upon foreign entities whose employees perform work in Germany, even on a temporary basis, for the breach of which substantial fines are payable.

In the petitioners' opinion, this constitutes a serious breach of the freedoms on which the European Union's foundations were built and restricts the ability of companies from outside Germany to perform services within that country.

The Committee on Petitions (PETI) declared the petition admissible, asked the Commission for information and sent the petition to the EMPL Committee (as well as to the Committee on Transport and Tourism) for an opinion that PETI would use either in the context of its future deliberations or for transmission to the petitioner in order to close the petition.

Background information:

On 19 May 2015, the European Commission commenced proceedings against Germany for breaching EU law as regards the imposition of a minimum wage in the transport sector.

Decision: Wait for the Commission's reply to PETI's request for information and decide in the light of this reply on the main lines of a letter to be sent to PETI

Follow-up to previous decisions:

Petition No 0383/2013 by Ángel Hernández Lorenzo (Spanish), on behalf of Comisiones Obreras de Castilla y León, on the fraudulent liquidation of the factory Puertas Norma in Soria, Spain

At their meeting of 26 April 2016, the Coordinators decided to invite the Legal Service to verify whether the Commission's reply that there was no evidence of infringement of EU law was correct in the light of the available information.

Decision:

The Coordinators

- *heard the Legal Service;*

- noted the position of the EPP that EMPL should not give opinions to PETI in cases where the grief of the petitioners was not caused by any breach of EU law
- decided that the EMPL Chair write a letter to PETI on delocalisation of production and corporate social responsibility, as requested by the Committee on Petitions, on the basis of relevant parts of resolutions on
 - o Information and consultation of workers, anticipation and management of restructuring⁴
 - o Corporate Social Responsibility⁵
 - o EMPL positions related to reindustrialising Europe⁶
 [MA]
- decided to follow up the wider issue by means of an Oral Question to the Commission in plenary [EV]

Decision

The Coordinators

- noted that a letter to PETI had been sent on 6 June 2016
- agreed on the following arrangements for the Oral Question on Corporate Social Responsibility
 - o each group to indicate one interlocutor (sponsor) with a mandate for negotiating the compromise text of the Oral Question
 - o work shall be carried out in English only (the final OQ will be translated into all the official languages)
 - o secretariat to circulate an initial draft
 - o timetable: vote in EMPL 13-14 July, all further details to be circulated by email.

B. Petitions received for information

(more information on PETI web portal: www.petiport.europarl.europa.eu/petitions/en/main)

1. Petition No 0961/2015 by M. C. (Italian) on support for the long-term unemployed in Italy
2. Petition No 0972/2015 by M. C. (Italian) concerning the call for a minimum income in Italy
3. Petition No 0006/2015 by Krzysztof Ba ka (Polish) on making young people more economically active

⁴ <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&language=EN&reference=P7-TA-2013-5>

⁵ <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&language=EN&reference=P7-TA-2013-50>

⁶ e.g. [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2013/2006\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2013/2006(INI)&l=en)

4. Petition No 1103/2015 by B. M. (French) on behalf of the Egalité Retraite collective, on discrimination of some groups of French civil servants with regard to pensions
5. Petition No 1112/2015 by Samuel Martin-Sosa (Spanish) on asbestos disposal in the EU and on justice for victims
6. Petition no 0759/2015 by Jose Ramón Gil Bento (Spanish), on commercial trading hours
7. Petition No 0510/2015 by Edyta Odyjas (Polish), on behalf of the Judiciary Section of the Solidarity trade union, on breaches of labour rights in the judiciary in Poland
8. Petition No 0599/2015 by I. M. (Polish) on work places for young people in Poland

Follow-up to previous decisions:

Petition No 2711/2014 by Udo Skoppeck and Gregor Ter Heide (German) on the conditions of employment and performance of work by professional lorry drivers

Decision of 26 May 2016:

The secretariat was instructed to make a concrete proposal as to how this petition might be followed up by the EMPL Committee. [AH]

State of play in PETI: The petition was declared admissible in written procedure 2 September 2015, sent to EMPL for information and closed immediately. We did not ask the Commission to investigate it.

The full text of the petition (160 pages plus 368 pages with references) can be down loaded here:

<http://actie-in-de-transport.org/?wpdmdl=1078>

The core claims of the petition concern

- the minimum size of the recreational space in the driver's booth (6 sq metres),
- putting an end to the opt-out from the Working Time Directive regarding on-call duty,
- regular weekly rest at the place of residence,
- an EU regulation on collective wage agreements,
- an EU-wide EUR 12 per hour minimum wage for all lorry drivers
- complete opening of the cabotage regime only if social protection and wage arrangements for drivers are humane.

„1.) Das Fahrerhaus muss ein verfügbaren Ruhe-Raum von 6 m² garantieren

2.) Das Opt-out iZm. Arbeitsbereitschaft und Bereitschaftsdienst wird beendet

3.) Die regelmäßige wöchentliche Ruhezeit muss am Lebensmittelpunkt sein

4.) Eine EU-Tarifvertragsverordnung und ein EU-Tarifvertragsregister

5.) Ein EU-weites Mindest-Gehalt für alle BKF von 12,- € pro Stunde

Nur wenn bei der Harmonisierung in der EU, der freie, gerechte und sichere Wettbewerb im gewerblichen Güterkraftverkehr in Zusammenhang mit menschenwürdigen Sozialvorschriften und Gehältern der BKF, auch tatsächlich „gewährleistet“ wird, könnte die vollständige Freigabe der Kabotage iZm. dem Grund Nr. 5 der VO (EG) Nr. 1072/2009 erfolgen.“

Decision

The Coordinators

- held an exchange of views
- noted that the Commission had announced specific initiatives for the road transport sector in Recital 10 of the proposal for a directive amending the Posting of Workers Directive⁷ and in the explanatory memorandum thereto⁸
- instructed the secretariat to find out when that sector-specific legislation would be proposed [RS]
- agreed that
 - the Petitioners be informed of the current state of play by letter.
 - a mini hearing on working conditions in the road transport sector be held in cooperation with TRAN as and when the sector-specific proposals would be made and that
 - the Petitioners be invited to such a hearing among other speakers and experts and noted the dissenting position of the EPP that petitioners should as a matter of principle not be invited.

⁷ <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2016%3A128%3AFIN>

⁸ “At the same time, the Posting of Workers Directive underpins the initiatives for the road transport sector announced by the Commission in its Work Programme 2016. These measures will aim in particular to further enhance social and working conditions of road transport workers fostering at the same time the efficient and fair provision of road transport services. The two million workers engaged in international road transport operations regularly carry out work on the territory of different Member States, over brief periods of time. In this context, the forthcoming initiatives for the road transport sector should contribute to more clarity and better enforcement of the rules applicable to employment contracts in the transport sector and may address the specific challenges the application of the provisions of the Posting of Workers Directive raises in this specific sector.”

14. Points for information

14.1 Timetables

Reports:

Implementation report on the activities, impact and added value of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund between 2007 and 2014

Rapporteur Marian Harkin

Send text to translation	29 February
Consideration of draft report	18-19 April
Deadline for amendments	25 April noon
Send amendments to translation	27 April
Consideration of amendments	24 May
Vote in EMPL	15-16 June 21 June
Vote in Plenary	September 2016

Opinions:

EMPL opinion to the ENVI INI report on EU options for improving access to medicines (2016/2057(INI), rapporteur Joëlle Mélin (ENF)

Decision by coordinators	26 April 2016
Deadline to send draft opinion to translation	12 July cob
Presentation and consideration of draft opinion in Committee	31 August/ 1 September
Deadline for tabling amendments	6 September, 12.00
Shadow rapporteurs' meeting in view of compromises	Week 39
Deadline for finalisation of negotiated compromises (includes indication of political support)	5 October, 12.00
Deadline for comments to the pre-final voting list	11 October, 16.00

Sending out of final voting list	11 October, after 16.00
Adoption EMPL	12-13 October
Adoption in ENVI	7-8 November

EMPL opinion to the REGI INI report on Investing in jobs and growth – maximising the contribution of European Structural and Investment Funds: an evaluation of the report under Article 16(3) of the CPR (rapporteur Georgi Pirinski S&D)

Send draft opinion to translation	22 June 2016
Consideration of draft opinion	13-14 July 2016
Deadline AMs	5 September 2016
Vote EMPL	12-13 October 2016
Vote lead committee	9-10 November 2016
Vote plenary	December 2016 (tbc)

14.2 Use of EMPL annual translation reserve (JK - update please)

Longueur maximale des textes à traduire - Réserve annuelle (2016: 45 pages)

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FdR	Deadline	Doc. Type	Part	Char	Pages	Rapp	AD	Subject
1078097	21/01/2016	PR	Resolution	2766	1,84	Balas	Martinello	Social dumping in the European Union
1084565	16/02/2016	PR	Resolution	4839	3,23	Weber	Makay	General framework for equal treatment in employment and occupation ("Employment Equality Directive")
1087275	09/03/2016	PR	Resolution	350	0,23	Stevens	Makay	Implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities with special regard to the Concluding Observations of the UN CRPD Committee
1084482	09/03/2016	PR	Resolution	3253	2,17	Benifei	Rook	Refugees: social inclusion and integration into the labour market"
1087467	11/03/2016	PR	Resolution	3051	2,03	Händel	Martinello	Workers representation on board level in Europe
1083218	15/03/2016	PR	Resolution	944	0,63	Krasnod bski	Smajda	How best to harness the job creation potential of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)?
1087665	15/03/2016	PR	Resolution	2915	1,94	Harkin	Oaida	Activities of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in 2013 and 2014
1088501	18/03/2016	PA	Suggestion	553	0,37	Pirinski	Andreanelli	Preparation of the post-electoral revision of the MFF 2014-2020
1090464	12/04/2016	PA	Suggestion	239	0,16	Ždanoka	García Puerto	Budgetary Control of financing NGOs from the EU Budget
1092128	18/05/2016	PR	Resolution	835,5	0,56	Ždanoka (CJ21)	Oaida	CJ21 - Creating Labour Market Conditions Favourable for Work-Life Balance

Total:	19746	13,16	29,3%
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15. Date of next Coordinators' meeting (JK/BD)

The next Coordinators' meetings will take place on

- 21 June as part of the EMPL meeting from 9:00-11:00 (exact time-slot tbc in the light of the workload)