

Words by the Chair



Dear Colleagues,

After the summer break, ITRE will re-start its work in earnest as we ready ourselves for a very busy second half of the year.

During the first of our two meetings this month, the Committee will continue its work on the Clean Energy package by considering the amendments tabled to the 'Energy Efficiency' directive and to the directive on the 'Promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources'. Several hundred amendments have been tabled to each of these proposals, reflecting their importance and their expected impact on the European energy landscape. Our aim is to have cleaner, more affordable and safer energy for all European citizens and industry that also respects the commitments the Union undertook at the CoP21.

ITRE will also consider two interlinked draft opinions concerning the European services e-card. The aim here is to reduce the administrative complexity for service providers that want to expand their activities to other Member States while ensuring that justified regulation still applies.

Finally, the outcome of the ITRE delegation visit to Poland will be presented to the Committee. This mission, which took place in May of this year, served to collect

Directive on the legal and operational framework of the European services e-card introduced by Regulation[ESC regulation]....

Consideration of [draft opinion](#)

Regulation introducing a European services e-card and related administrative facilities

Consideration of [draft opinion](#)

Rapporteurs: [Maria Spyra](#)

During its next meeting, ITRE will consider two interlinked opinions on the introduction of a European Services e-card, for which the European Commission has presented a proposal for a Regulation and another for a Directive. The rapporteur, Ms Spyra (EPP), focuses her amendments on the simplification of the procedure so as to allow service providers an easier establishment in another Member State and to enhance market integration in certain services.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Deadline for tabling amendments: 18 September 2017*
- *Vote in ITRE: 28 November 2017*
- *Vote in IMCO: January 2018*
- *Vote in Plenary: TBC*

Energy efficiency directive

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [Adam Gierek](#)

The Commission proposal for the review of the Energy Efficiency Directive is part of the Clean Energy Package. It is an important step towards the achievement of the EU commitments made in the framework of the Energy Union and the global climate agenda established by the Paris Agreement of December 2015 (COP21). The Committee held an exchange of views on this proposal on 23 March and the Rapporteur, Mr Adam Gierek (S&D), presented his draft report on 22 June. At the meeting of 4 September, the debate will be held on the basis of the amendments (694 in total) that Members have tabled to the Commission's proposal. With a view to the preparation of the compromise amendments, the rapporteur will discuss with the shadows rapporteurs and the ITRE members the main political points of this report. The amendments tabled cover a large number of topics, such as energy efficiency targets (at national and EU level), energy savings, energy efficiency obligation schemes, metering, billing and consumption information for heating and cooling.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 28 November 2017*
- *Vote in plenary: tbc*

Promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (recast)

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [José Blanco López](#)

important first-hand information directly from the stake-holders and the beneficiaries of the legislation for which ITRE is responsible and will prove instrumental to the work of the Committee in the future.

Jerzy Buzek

The Commission proposal for the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources is part of the Clean Energy Package. Members will discuss the AMs tabled in committee (1300) with a view to the negotiations on compromise amendments. The rapporteur aims to finalise the compromise amendments by end of September.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 28 November 2017*
- *Vote in plenary: tbc*

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ITRE mission to Poland (22-24 May)

Debriefing

Between 22-23 May 2017 an ITRE delegation visited Poland on a fact-finding mission related to ITRE competences. The delegation, composed of Michał Boni (EPP), Maria Spyraki (EPP), Krystyna Łybacka (S&D), Zdzisław Krasnodebski (ECR) and led by the Chair of ITRE, Jerzy Buzek, visited Warsaw and Krakow, going through packed programme of meetings with various stake holders. The main aims of the mission were to learn more about the Polish energy-mix and about innovation in the field of clean energy, to meet with polish start-up founders and entrepreneurs in order to understand first-hand their innovative approach and the challenges that they face and to get a better idea the impact that EU funds are having on these sectors and how this could be improved. Throughout the two days, the delegation meet with several innovative start-ups offering e-Health digital solutions and start-ups in the digital sector. It also visited the ICM Technology Centre, the Targowa 56, Centre of Creativity, where it was received by Mr. Michał Olszewski. Deputy-Mayor of Warsaw, the Zabrze Clean Coal Technology Centre, the Kraków Technology Park and the Krakow Life Science Park. The mission served to collect important first-hand information directly from the stake-holders and the beneficiaries of the legislation for which ITRE is responsible and this information will be used to improve the work of the Committee in the future.



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