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Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

EMPL COORDINATORS' MEETING

Thursday, 01 February 2018

10.00-11.30

Room PHS 7C50- Brussels

RESULTS

6.02.2018

Changes appear in 'track change' mode

The meeting opened at 10.04 and closed at 11.50 with Marita Ulvskog in the chair.

Present

Acting Chair	Mrs Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair,
EPP	Mr David Casa, Coordinator
S&D	Mr Georgi Pirinski, replacing the Coordinator
ECR	Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator
ALDE	Mr Enrique Calvet Chambon, Coordinator
Greens/EFA	Ms Jean Lambert, Coordinator
EFDD	Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator

Apologies

Chair	Mr Thomas Händel, Chair
S&D	Ms Agnes Jongerius, Coordinator
GUE/NGL	Ms Rina Ronja Kari, Co-Coordinator,
GUE/NGL	Mr João Pimenta Lopes, Co-Coordinator

ENF

Mr Dominique Martin, Coordinator

1. Chair's announcements

1.1. Interpretation [LE/JK]

Interpretation was available in the following languages: FR, IT, EN

1.2. Update on Brexit [EC]

Decision

The Coordinators

1. noted that

- A comprehensive EP resolution on the future EU/UK relationship will be adopted during the March II session in Strasbourg.
- At the extraordinary CCC meeting on 31 January 2018 in the presence of Mr Barnier, Mr Verhofstadt had announced that
- - a number of seminars would be held on the various aspects of the future EU-UK relations
 - the EMPL Chair and 5 Coordinators were invited to a seminar entitled 'level playing field' on 31 January at 16:30 hrs
 - a draft motion for a resolution would be circulated by Mr Verhofstadt's team after those seminars to the relevant committees
 - only groups which backed Brexit resolution are involved in the exercise

2. decided that the EMPL contribution to that fresh resolution would be handled as follows:

- **The draft resolution shall be circulated to the 5 groups which backed the previous Brexit resolution, but no meeting shall be organised, thus allowing those groups to contribute via their internal channels.**

A joint LIBE/EMPL/PETI **hearing on citizen's rights after Brexit** would take place on **Thursday 1 February 2018 at 14:00 hrs** as a follow-up to the one held in May this year. The final agenda was among the meeting documents.

1.3. European Parliamentary days - 19 and 20 February 2018 [EC/CF]

2018 European Semester Conference (Article 13) will take place on 19-20 February 2018 in Brussels. It will include three plenary sessions as well as an interparliamentary committee meeting organised by EMPL from 16.45 to 18.45 on Monday **19 February**. The final draft programme was among the meeting documents as is a draft questionnaire for the topics to be discussed at the EMPL-organised meeting.

Coordinators are asked to encourage their Members to take part in the EMPL interparliamentary committee meeting (Monday 19 February) as well as to the plenary session (19 February and 20 February).

Update 31.02:

Panel "Digitalisation and the future of work":

- Mr Hendrik Bogaert MP, BE (EPP)/ confirmed
- Ms Rocio de Frutos, MP, ES (S&D)/ declined (ES Parliament disagrees with the procedure)
- possible alternative Ms Maria Spilabotte ("Partito Democratico")
- Mr Wolfgang Strengmann-Kuhn, MP, DE (Greens)/ declined (DE Parliament disagrees with the procedure and Mr Strengman Kuhn is not part of the German delegation to the EPW)

Panel "Inequalities in the Member States":

- Mr Ondřej Benešík, MP, CZ(EPP) / declined
- Mr Jan Krainer, MP, AT (S&D) / accepted
- Mr Roldán Monés, MP, ES (ALDE)/ no reply yet (please note that ES Parliament disagrees with the procedure)

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the above state of play and

- **the acting S&D Coordinator suggested, that given the resistance of national parliaments, there should not be a selection of speakers anymore in the future, but rather a selection of national parliaments which should then send whomever they see fit**
- **decided that the S&D should propose an alternative speaker from a country where no parliamentary elections were imminent**
- **noted that the Greens/EFA group proposed that Ms Aina Vidal Sáez replace Mr Strengmann-Kuhn.**

1.4. Dinner hosted by President Tajani with several ministers of labour on 27 February 2018 [EC]

The Coordinators noted that Mr Calvet Chambon had given the impetus for the President's invitation to a dinner on 27 February 2018. Vice-Chairs and Coordinators had been invited by the President to a dinner with Commissioner Thyssen and Ministers of labour from Bulgaria, Greece and Germany (confirmed), Austria (declined) as well as from France and Spain (pending) had been invited.

2. Points for information/follow-up of previous decisions

2.1. EMPL delegation to Canada in week 14 [RS/LS]

On 8 November 2017, the CoP authorized the EMPL Committee delegation of 7 Members including the Chair to Ottawa and Toronto, in the week of 3 to 7 April 2018 (5 days including travel time).

Update:

Following the answers received by political groups, the composition of the delegation is as follows:

Danuta Jazłowiecka	EPP
Sven Schulze	EPP
Emilian Pavel	S&D
Marian Harkin	ALDE
Paloma López Bermejo	GUE/NGL
Laura Agea	EFDD
Joëlle Mélin	ENF

The draft programme was among the Annexes.

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the state of play.

2.2. EMPL delegation to Cedefop 12-13 February 2018 [JuB]

The work programme for 2018 foresees an EMPL delegation visit to Cedefop in Thessaloniki on **12-13 February 2018**.

The following nominations were received:

S&D Mr Emilian Pavel

S&D Mr Siôn Simon

EPP Ms Anne Sander

The draft programme can be found in the annexes.

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the state of play.

2.3. EMPL delegation to Austria - nomination of Members [MM/RS]

On 13 November 2017, the Bureau authorised the EMPL Committee request for a delegation of up to 7 Members plus the Chair to Vienna, Austria, with a focus on the functioning of ESF activities in practice and to study the employment and social effects of free movement of persons in the EU, includes the coordination of social security systems and posting of workers. In accordance with the EMPL Coordinators' decision of 21 November 2017, the delegation will take part from **7 to 9 May 2018** (arrival on 7 May, noon; departure on 9 May, noon).

The 7 places according to the d'Hondt system are as follows:

1 EPP

2 S&D

3 EPP

4 S&D

5 ALDE

6 EPP

7 ECR

Decision

The Coordinators invited political groups to communicate to the Secretariat the names of Members taking part in the delegation at the latest by Thursday 8 February 2018 noon.

2.4. EMPL delegation to the Czech Republic - nomination of Members (EC/CF)

On 13 November 2017, the Bureau also authorised the EMPL Committee request for a delegation of up to 7 Members plus the Chair to Prague and Zlin in the Czech Republic, to study best practices on matching skills and jobs in, and to inspect the functioning of European Social Fund (ESF) and Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) projects in practice. In accordance with the EMPL Coordinators' decision of 21 November 2017, the delegation will take part from **9 to 11 May 2018** [A first draft of the programme was attached.]

If the first 7 places, according to the d'Hondt system, are used for the delegation to Austria, the next 7 places are as follows:

8. GUE/NGL

9. S&D

10. EPP
11. S&D
12. EPP
13. ALDE
14. Greens/EFA

If some places are not taken up, the following Groups are next in line:

15. EFDD
16. ENF
17. S&D

Decision

The Coordinators invited political groups to communicate to the Secretariat the names of Members taking part in the delegation at the latest by Thursday 8 February 2018 noon.

2.5. EMPL hearing on Digitalisation and automation: Challenges for the labour market and social security systems [LS]

At their meeting on 17 October, EMPL Coordinators decided to request the authorisation for a public hearing related to 'Digitalisation and automation: Challenges for the labour market and social security systems'.

This public hearing is scheduled for 16 May 2018 (a.m.).

Three experts can be reimbursed. In line with past practice, it is suggested to designate three experts and three substitutes.

The secretariat was contacted by the secretariat of the EESC and was informed that the EESC has already adopted several opinions relating to this topic, and would be keen to give an input to this hearing. Depending on the exact focus of the hearing, the EESC would be willing to send one its Rapporteurs to participate in the hearing.

Decision

- **The political groups were asked to send proposals of experts to be invited at the latest by 27 February, in view of a decision by Coordinators at their meeting on 8 March (three experts can be reimbursed)**
- **Coordinators agreed to invite a relevant Rapporteur of the EESC to participate in the hearing (as speaker with limited speaking time in the first round after the experts).**

2.6. EMPL hearing on Working conditions in sectors presenting a high risk of exploitation [LS]

At their meeting on 17 October, EMPL Coordinators decided to request the authorisation for a public hearing related to 'Working conditions in sectors presenting a high risk of exploitation'.

This public hearing originally stems from two proposals from the GUE/NGL group, which referred to the sectors of HORECA (hotels, restaurant, tourism) and agriculture.

This public hearing is scheduled for 19 June 2018 (p.m.).

Three experts can be reimbursed. In line with past practice, it is suggested to designate three experts and three substitutes.

The secretariat was contacted by the secretariat of the EESC and was informed that the EESC has already adopted several opinions relating to this topic, and would be keen to give an input to this hearing. Depending on the exact focus of the hearing, the EESC would be willing to send one its Rapporteurs to participate in the hearing.

Decision

- **The political groups were asked to send proposals of experts to be invited at the latest by 27 February, in view of a decision by Coordinators at their meeting on 8 March (three experts can be reimbursed)**
- **Coordinators agreed to invite a relevant Rapporteur of the EESC to participate in the hearing (as speaker with limited speaking time in the first round after the experts).**

2.7. EMPL hearing on Work-life balance on 21 February [JuB]

Decision

The Coordinators

- **heard Mr Casa, rapporteur for that file, who proposed to invite, in addition to the other experts, a representative of the European Association of Crafts and Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (UEAPME)**
- **noted the dissenting opinions of the S&D and GUE/NGL Groups who opposed that initiative on procedural grounds, namely that (a) the request by Mr Casa had been made without advance notice and (b) a comprehensive decision had already been taken**
- **decided, following a vote, to invite also a representative of the UEAPME.**

2.8. EMPL involvement in the evaluation of the Agencies [CF/JuB/TV/BM]

Update: Following the coordinators' decision a letter from Ms Ulvskog to Commissioner Thyssen was sent on 29.1.2018.

3. Pending conflicts of competence

3.1. Apprenticeship Framework - request from CULT [BM]

Update:

The CULT committee tabled 30 amendments to the resolution on the basis of Rule 53(4).

3.2. Renewed FEMM request for an own-initiative report: new title and reduced scope: “Care services in the EU for improved gender equality” [JuB]

The papers for the meeting included

- a letter dated 24 October 2017 from the FEMM Committee requesting the authorisation of an INI report on “EU funds to improve work-life balance”
- a letter from EMPL to CCC Chair Wikström dated 7 December 2017 contesting the authorisation of this INI
- a letter from the FEMM Chair to CCC Chair Wikström dated 12.1.2018 proposing a new title and reduced scope: “Care services in the EU for improved gender equality”
- a letter from EMPL to CCC Chair Wikström dated 29.1.2018 based on the Coordinators decision of 11 January 2018 objecting the authorisation even if the title was changed and the scope reduced

Update:

Following the coordinators decision of 11.1.2018 and in reply to the FEMM letter of 12.1., the EMPL Chair sent a letter to the CCC Chair on 29.1.2018 expressing EMPL's continued opposition to the FEMM request for an INI report even if the title was changed and the scope narrowed down.

3.3. CULT opinion to EMPL INI ‘Employment and social policies of the Euro area’ [MM]

At the CCC meeting of 16 January 2018, the CULT Chair requested a CULT opinion on this planned own-initiative report. The request remains limited to a normal opinion pursuant to Rule 53.

Decision

The Coordinators, who had been asked by the Acting Chair for their views on this request, accepted CULT’s request for an opinion pursuant to Rule 53.

4. Documents for information

none

5. Allocation of reports and opinions

For information: own-initiative reports for which authorisation was requested

(no more than 3 at any given time):

The following ordinary INI reports are currently progressing:

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
Thomas Händel - Workers representation on board level in Europe (BM)	25.06.2015	01.07.2015	07.07.2015	03.09.2015	postponed
Rapporteur ECR: Jana Žitňanská - Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment (TV)	12.10.2017	07.11.2017	14.11.2017	06.12.2017	25-26 April 2018
Renate Weber - The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs	21.11.2017				

and reactivating the unemployed (MP)					
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Note: At their meeting of 2 February 2018, the Coordinators raised the issue of the blocked INI report on the Workers representation on board level in Europe.

The following **implementation** 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

Rapports d'application adoptés en Commission EMPL				
	Rapporteur	Titre du rapport	Date d'adoption	Dossier
1	Edurard Kukan	European Year of Active Ageing	9 septembre 2015	{1}
2	Sven Schulze	Implementation of the European Progress Microfinance Facility - 2013	15 décembre 2015	{2}
3	Renate Weber	Implementation report on the Employment Equality Directive	21 juin 2016	{3}
4	Maria Arena	Report on the revised Framework Agreement on parental leave concluded by BUSINESSEUROPE, UEAPME, CEEP and ETUC and repealing Directive 96/34/EC	16 mars 2016 (plénière 12 mai 2016)	{4}
5	Helga Stevens	Implementation report on the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	30 mai 2016 (plénière 7 juillet 2016)	{5}
6	Marian Harkin	Implementation report on the activities, impact and added value of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund between 2007 and 2014	21 juin 2016, plénière 7 juillet 2016	{6}
7	Helga Stevens -	Progress Report on the implementation of the European Disability Strategy (2010 - 2020)	19 octobre 2017, plénière 30 novembre 2017	(7)
8	Romana Tomc	The implementation of the Youth Employment Initiative in the Member States (4 décembre, plénière janvier 2018	(8)

{1} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2014/2255\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2014/2255(INI)&l=en)

- {2} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2042\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2042(INI)&l=en)
- {3} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2116\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2116(INI)&l=en)
- {4} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2097\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2097(INI)&l=en)
- {5} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258(INI)&l=en)
- {6} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258(INI)&l=en)
- {7} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2127\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2127(INI)&l=en)
- {8} [http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2039\(INI\)&l=en](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2039(INI)&l=en)

Decisions on new own-initiative reports

- The regular INI quota is down to 3 (from previously 6).
- Applicable since the beginning of the second half of the parliamentary term; no fresh INIs will be authorised until we are below the threshold of three.
- Implementation reports are not affected.

"[...] During the second half of a parliamentary term, each parliamentary committee may simultaneously draft up to three own-initiative reports. [...]"

http://www.sib.ep.parl.union.eu/SIB/download.do?file=/Documents/10_Recueil/1/1.3/1.3.1/422604_net_en.pdf

Candidate list for own-initiative reports - updated table:

Order	Date	INI Title as agreed by Coordinators	Notes	AD	Proposed by
0		Non-legislative aspects of Labour Mobility package, incl. labour mobility in cross-border regions	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 On 1.9.2016, the item was postponed , pending further clarification as to the contents of the Commission proposal(s)".following a shift in focus (social security) of the announced Commission proposal.		Consensus
		Combating inequalities as a lever to boost job creation and growth	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016		merged S&D ALDE Consensus on 1.9.2016
		Minimum income policies as a tool to tackle poverty	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015		EFDD

			<p>Covered by INI on Social pillar etc, Coordinators' decision of 14.4.2016</p> <p>Reinstated, Coordinators' decision of 26.4.2016</p> <p>Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016</p>		Consensus on 1.9.2016
		<p>Delivering sustainable long-term employment through re-shoring The role of employer led vocational education and training for growth and employment (new title as suggested by ECR; the S&D group expressed reservations about this title change) [The ECR Group expressed its opposition to those reservations.]</p> <p>Agreed title : Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment</p>	<p>Original title as per Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015</p> <p>Title change as shown in the minutes of 9.2.2017</p> <p>S&D reservation as shown in the minutes of 9.3.2017</p> <p>ECR opposition as shown in the minutes of 6.4.2017</p> <p>Coordinators' decision of 17 October 2017</p>		ECR
		The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed	Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015		ALDE
1		The campaign of the International Labour Organisation to ratify the Protocol on Forced Labour and to contemporary forms of severe labour exploitation	Coordinators' decision of 1.9.2016		Chair

Reports

5.1. Transparent and predictable working conditions in the European Union [TV tbc]

COM (2017)797 - 2017/0355(COD)

Decision

Rapporteur to be nominated by the ALDE Group.

p.m.: Coordinators' decision of 11 January 2018:

Invite Commissioner Thyssen to present this proposal, adopted on 21 December 2017, to a future Committee meeting.

Update: Letter to Commissioner Thyssen, inviting her to the EMPL meeting of 22 February, has been signed and sent on 29 January 2018. Reply pending.

Opinions

5.2. Harnessing globalisation: trade aspects [CF]

Decision

No opinion

Documents for information

5.3. COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT Accompanying the document Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on transparent and predictable working conditions in the European Union (TV tbc)

SWD (2017)0478

Decision: No action needed - This impact assessment will feed into Parliament's work on the proposal for a Directive (item 5.1.)

5.4. 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 on transparent and predictable working conditions in the European Union (TV tbc)

SWD (2017)0479

Decision: No action needed - this executive summary will feed into Parliament's work on the proposal for a Directive (item 5.1.).

6. Draft programme for committee delegations in the second half of 2018

Committees are invited to submit their priorities for their travel activities in order to adopt the draft programmes for committee missions and ad hoc delegations during the second half of 2018 (July-December). The priorities for committee missions and ad hoc delegations have to be sent to the CCC secretariat by **22 March 2018** in order to adopt the draft programmes during the CCC meeting of 17 April 2018. The Conference of Presidents and the Bureau would then consider the programmes by May 2018.

Decision

The Coordinators

- noted that only three viable turquoise weeks would be available
- took note of a proposal from the ALDE Coordinators to organise an informal delegation to the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA)¹, Frankfurt, on a Monday of a Strasbourg session
- decided that up to three delegations may be requested for the second half of 2018, viz.:
 - one delegation to the future presidency country (Romanian presidency during the first half of 2019, in the week from 17 to 21 September 2018)
 - one delegation to an agency, i.e. the ETF², in the week from 29 to 31 October 2018
 - possibly
 - a delegation within the EU or candidate countries *within* the quota (27 for the whole year) and/or

¹ <https://eiopa.europa.eu/>

² Agencies visited in 2017 are EU-OSHA and Eurofound and Cedefop in the first half of 2018.

- a delegation outside the EU, *outside* the quota and as ad hoc delegations (usually 7 Members including the Chair, if authorised by CoP)
- *Deadline for sending suggestions for additional delegations for the second half of 2018 to the Secretariat: 19 February COB*
- *Final decision to be taken at the Coordinators' meeting of 8 March 2018.*

7. Draft programme for committee hearings in the second half of 2018

Committees are invited to launch the programming exercise for committee Public HEARINGS during the 2nd half of 2018 (July-December), so that the draft programmes for committee Hearings can be adopted by the CCC at its meeting on 17 April 2018.

Each Committee has to send their committees' requests for Hearings during the 2nd half of 2018 to the CCC Chair by Thursday, **22 March 2018**, at the latest.

Decision

The Coordinators

- took a decision of principle that two hearings should be requested for the second half of 2018,
- set a deadline for sending suggestions for hearings for the second half of 2018 to the Secretariat:
 - 19 February
 - Final decision to be taken at the Coordinators' meeting of 8 March 2018.

8. EMPL expertise programme for 2018 [LS/PoIDep]

The Policy Department A has sent an e-mail on 17 January informing the Coordinators about the procedure to launch the work programme for the EMPL expertise budget 2018 at the next meeting of Coordinators (February 1st). Policy Department A has suggested that each political group submits one proposal for a study, briefing note or a workshop **by 23 January 2018** cob.

A single (updated) paper containing

- an initial assessment of the fresh proposals
- a list of requested, ongoing and completed products

is attached to the notes for your convenience.

Decision

The Coordinators

- heard Policy Department A
- held an exchange of views
- decided that the following action be taken:
 - Proposal I.1. - no action at this stage (family and carers)
 - Proposal I.2 and II.2 - Policy Department A to submit a detailed assessment paper showing which aspects of the request were covered by papers from other sources and which specific aspects would justify supplementary EP studies; issue to be kept on the rolling programme of future initiatives (border regions)
 - Proposal II.1 - no action at this stage (UNCPRD)
 - Proposal II.3 - no action at this stage (self employment)
 - Proposal II.4 - research study (child poverty)
 - Proposal II.5 - no action at this stage (right to strike)
 - Proposal II.6 - no action at this stage (Job training and apprenticeships)
 - Proposal II.7 - Policy Department A to submit a detailed assessment paper showing which specific difficulties preclude meaningful in-depth analysis (fitness sector)
 - Proposal II.8 - Policy Department A to organise a workshop during committee meeting, including (a) presentation of the impact assessment by the Commission and (b) presentations by additional experts chosen by the Policy Department on the basis of the applicable framework contracts (European Labour Authority)
 - Proposal II.9 - Policy Department A to organise a workshop during committee meeting, including (a) presentation of the impact assessment by the Commission and (b) presentations by additional experts chosen by the Policy Department on the basis of the applicable framework contracts (European Social Security Number).

9. Budgetary procedure 2019 [EC]

Background:

The budget procedure is traditionally subject to a specific procedure, with tight time constraints, in order to follow the steps in the lead committee. *The BUDG timetable should be available in the*

course of week 5 and coordinators will be informed either just before the coordinators meeting or in writing if BUDG timetable is not communicated before 1st February.

Decision

- **Chair to act as rapporteur**
- **Coordinators to be informed about the timetable in due course.**

10. Suggestions for ECA audits in 2019 [TV]

Decision

The Coordinators

- noted that the S&D Group had proposed an audit of the European Solidarity Corps, which was rejected by the majority of Coordinators owing to the limited duration of that programme
- decided, in view of the tight deadline (1 February 2018), not to propose any other topic to the Court of Auditors for their 2019 Work Programme.

11. Decision of principle to invite ECA for presentations [TV]

Background:

As part of its 2018 work program (Annex # X), the European Court of Auditors is expected to publish inter alia the following documents:

- A special report on “EU labour mobility” which would assess whether the Commission and the Member States effectively facilitate labour mobility; *(expected for March 2018 - responsible ECA Member: Mr George PUFAN (RO))*

- A briefing paper on the “Integration of third country nationals” in order to provide an overview of the EU framework for the integration of third-country national. More specifically, it would set out the Commission’s role in supporting and promoting integration activities and how different Member States use EU funding in their integration activities. *(expected for June 2018 - responsible ECA Member: Ms Iliana IVANOVA (BG))*

Decision

Coordinators decided to invite the ECA to present the abovementioned special report and briefing paper to the EMPL committee.

12. Motions for Resolutions³ - decision on procedure [MP]

none

13. Petitions [MP]

A. Petitions received for opinion

none

B. Petitions received for information

none

³ Rule 133

1. Any Member may table a motion for a resolution on a matter falling within the spheres of activity of the European Union. The motion may not comprise more than 200 words.

2. The committee responsible shall decide what procedure is to be adopted.

It may combine the motion for a resolution with other motions for resolutions or reports.

It may adopt an opinion, which may take the form of a letter.

It may decide to draw up a report under Rule 52.

3. The authors of a motion for a resolution shall be informed of the decisions of the committee and of the Conference of Presidents.

4. The report shall contain the text of the motion for a resolution.

5. Opinions in the form of a letter addressed to other institutions of the European Union shall be forwarded by the President.

6. The author or authors of a motion for a resolution tabled under Rule 123(2), 128(5) or 135(2) shall be entitled to withdraw it before the final vote.

7. A motion for a resolution tabled in accordance with paragraph 1 may be withdrawn by its author, authors or first signatory before the committee responsible has decided, in accordance with paragraph 2, to draw up a report on it.

Once the motion has been thus taken over by the committee, only the committee shall be empowered to withdraw it up until the opening of the final vote.

8. A withdrawn motion for a resolution may be taken over and retabled immediately by a group, a committee or the same number of Members as is entitled to table it.

Committees have a duty to ensure that motions for resolutions tabled under this Rule which meet the requirements laid down are followed up and duly referred to in the resulting documents.

14. Points for information [ADs concerned]

Timetables Reports:

Timetables Opinions:

EMPL opinion to ECON report on a pan-European personal pension product (PEPP)

Shadows meeting ahead of the draft opinion	Week 9
Send draft opinion (translation, etc)	28 March 2018
Consideration of draft opinion	25-26 April 2018
Deadline for tabling amendments	2 May 2018, noon
Consideration of amendments	7 June 2018
Shadows meetings	Weeks 22, 23, 24
Vote in EMPL	18-19 June 2018
Vote in lead committee ECON	11 July 2018
Vote in Plenary	Tbc

Use of EMPL annual translation reserve

On 18.01.2017, the EMPL Committee had 100% of its annual translation reserve (45 pages) available.

15. Dates of next Coordinators' meetings [JK/LE]

Next meeting:

NEW DATE: Thursday, 15 March (10.00-11.30), in Strasbourg, room tbc.

Coordinator's meeting dates in 2018

Thursday, 12 April (10.00-11.30)

Thursday, 17 May (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 7 June (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 12 July (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 6 September (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 27 September (10.00-11.30)

Thursday, 8 November (10.00-11.30) - to be confirmed

Thursday, 6 December (10.00-11.30) - to be confirmed