



**Committee on Employment and Social Affairs** 

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#### **Introductory words by Marita Ulvskog**



The EMPL Committee will meet on 7 June.

First, the agenda foresees the adoption of the draft report concerning "Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness quality employment". A draft opinion to the REGI report titled "Increase the of financial

envelope of the Structural Reform Support Programme and adapt its general objective" will also be put to the vote.

Subsequently, Members will have the chance to exchange views with representatives from the European Commission, in the framework of a presentation on "EGF mid-term review as an introduction to the proposal for the next MFF".

Finally, the Committee will also consider a draft report on "The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed".

Thank you for your attention.

Marita Ulvskog, First Vice-Chair, Acting Chair

#### POINTS ON THE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

#### Reports

Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment (vote)

The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed

#### **Opinion**

Increase of the financial envelope of the Structural Reform Support Programme and adapt its general objective (vote)

#### **Exchange of views**

Commission presentation: EGF mid-term review as an introduction to the proposal for the next MFF

Delegated act of 28.5.2018 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Social Fund, regarding the definition of standard scales of unit costs and lump sums for reimbursement of expenditure by the Commission to Member States

#### **MEETING DATES AND VENUES**

7.06.2018, 9.00-12.30, JAN (2Q2)

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# Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment

#### Adoption of draft report

On 7 June, EMPL will vote on the draft report on the Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment. Vote in the Plenary is expected for 2 July 2018.

Rapporteur: Jana Žitňanská (ECR, SK)

## The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed

#### **Consideration of draft report**

During its meeting on 7 June, EMPL will consider the draft report on the role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed. Members will be allowed to table amendments up to 14 June 2018, and vote in the EMPL Committee is scheduled for September 2018.

Rapporteur: Renate Weber (ALDE, RO)

## Commission presentation: EGF mid-term review as an introduction to the proposal for the next MFF

#### **Exchange of views with Commission representatives**

On 7 June, EMPL Members will have the chance to exchange views with representatives from the European Commission, who will present the mid-term review of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF). Presenters will focus in particular on whether - and to what extent - the EGF has reached the objectives that were set 10 years ago, when the Fund was created.

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#### **Presentation by the Commission**

On 7 June, the Commission will deliver a presentation in the EMPL Committee about the delegated act of 28.5.2018 concerning reimbursements of Member States' expenditure in the context of the European Social Fund.

#### **Votes on draft opinions**

During its meetings on 7 June, the EMPL Committee will vote on the following opinions:

Increase of the financial envelope of the Structural Reform Support Programme and adapt its general objective Rapporteur: Csaba Sógor (EPP, RO)

Lead Committee: REGI

#### Recent studies and briefing notes

- Posting of Workers Directive Briefing
- European Labour Authority Briefing
- Youth unemployment: The race to zero At a Glance
- The European Labour Authority (ELA) and social security coordination Briefing
- Ensuring high-quality job creation from EU funding programmes: How can the best practice of Horizon 2020 be better integrated into other programmes (ESF, Youth Guarantee, Globalisation Fund)? - Study
- European Labour Authority and Support for Labour Mobility (EURES) - Briefing
- The vulnerability to exploitation of women migrant workers in agriculture in the EU: the need for a Human Rights and Gender based approach Study

#### **News from the Agencies**

### European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop)

Cedefop has recently published the results of its opinion survey on vocational education and training (VET), which was the first of this kind in Europe. The survey allows unprecedented insight into the opinions of citizens concerning - among others - the effectiveness and attractiveness of VET in the EU. In order to facilitate access to such data Cedefop has also developed data visualizations online, which allow users to easily find statistics both at the aggregate (i.e. EU) and Member State level. More

### European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound)

Eurofound has recently published a report analysing the impact of digitalization on work and employment. The report focuses on three main vectors that are driving current change: automation of work, the introduction of digital technologies into processes, and the development of 'platforms' that match demand and supply and coordinate economic transactions. In particular, the study reviews the history of what is more and more frequently referred to as the 'digital revolution', by tracking its historical development and comparing it with other periods of significant technological advance occurred in the past. Another recent contribution by Eurofound consists in an article dedicated to fraudulent practices in the contracting of work, such as the abuse of legitimate employment contracts with the aim of sidestepping employment and social regulations. More

#### **European Training Foundation (ETF)**

On 30th-31st May, ETF experts gathered in Turin (Italy) with training providers and policy-makers in order to celebrate good practices in training for the internalization of SMEs, as well as to hold ETF's 2018 good practice awards ceremony. ETF Director Cesare Onestini congratulated training providers for participating in the competition, and he awarded seven particularly innovative training programmes that were selected out of a long list of applicants. More

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#### **European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA)**

EU-OSHA recently participated in the European Week Against Cancer, which took place from 25 to 31 May 2018. In particular, EU-OSHA published several pieces of research on this issue including a report, presentations and summaries -, aiming to shed light on the difficulties that cancer survivors experience when they return to work, as well as on the problems that their employers may face. More

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