

MONDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2018

19.00 - 20.30

Room: Salvador de Madariaga (SDM 5), Strasbourg

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IN CAMERA

1. COORDINATORS' MEETING



Meeting held in camera

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The draft agenda was e-mailed to Members on 18 July 2018 and is in the [file for the meeting](#).

3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair draws attention to the following points:

Languages available

FR, DE, IT, NL, EN, ES, CS, HU, and PL

Webstreaming

Due to limited webstreaming facilities in Strasbourg, this meeting will not be webstreamed.

Adoption of Coordinators' recommendations

The summary of coordinators' recommendations from the last CONT coordinators' meeting that took place on 12 July 2018 was circulated to the Members on 7 September 2018.

If no objections are received before the end of the meeting, these recommendations will be deemed approved.

4. EXCHANGE OF VIEWS - OLAF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING A FORMER MEMBER OF THE EUROPEAN COURT OF AUDITORS (ECA)



Exchange of views held in camera

Rapporteur: [Ingeborg Grässle](#) (EPP)
Administrator: Christian Ehlers

The EU's anti-fraud office (OLAF) concluded an investigation into a former Member of the European Court of Auditors in June 2018.

The initial allegations were submitted to OLAF by the European Court of Auditors. The OLAF investigation found an abuse of the European Court of Auditors assets, as well as infringements of ethical obligations.

Upon conclusion of the investigation, OLAF addressed recommendations to the European Court of Auditors and to the judicial authorities of Luxembourg for possible follow-up.

CONT Committee will hold an exchange of views in camera.

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PUBLIC MEETING

5. PROTECTION OF PERSONS REPORTING ON BREACHES OF UNION LAW

CONT/8/12903



Consideration of CONT Opinion to JURI

CONT Rapporteur: [Dennis De Jong](#) (GUE/NGL)
Administrator: Tereza Pinto de Rezende

Shadow Rapporteurs: Tomáš Zdechovský (EPP), Gilles Pargneaux (S&D), Nedzhmi Ali (ALDE), Benedek Javor (Verts/ALE)

The purpose of the Directive is to strengthen the protection of persons reporting on breaches of Union law (whistleblowers). The Rapporteur proposes 85 amendments to the Commission proposal. His opinion in the form of amendments try to clarify parts of the legislative text and introduces several issues that were included in the EP resolution of 14 February 2017 on the role of whistle-blowers in the protection of EU's financial interests (2016/2055 INI). It also amends the proposal in order to ensure same kind of protection to EU staff members and eliminate restrictions to reporting.

CONT Timetable:

Event	Body	Date
Deadline for amendments	CONT	12 September at 14:00
Adoption in CONT	CONT	27 September
Adoption in Plenary	Plenary	October II

The draft opinion is available on the [CONT website](#).

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7. NEXT MEETINGS

- 27 September 2018, 9.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 18.30 (Brussels)
- 4 October 2018, 9.00 – 12.00 (Strasbourg)
- 10 October 2018, 9.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 18.30 (Brussels)
- 11 October 2018, 9.00 – 12.30 (Brussels)

PAPERLESS PROGRAMME (INTERNAL USERS ONLY)

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NEWS FROM POLICY DEPARTMENT - BUDGETARY AFFAIRS

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CONT

Workshop on “How can we better communicate the results of the EU budgetary control process to citizens? Addressing the challenges of populist discourse on EU spending” - **10 October 2018**

Workshop on “the Revision of OLAF regulation in light of the future cooperation with EPPO” - **11 October from 10.30 to 12.30**

POLICY DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS:

Recent publications

CONT

Proceedings of the Workshop on “[How to better combat fraud? Follow up of the Commission’s anticorruption sharing programme](#)”

In-Depth Analysis “[State Aid and EU funding: are they compatible?](#)”

Study “[Ensuring high quality job creation from EU funding programmes: how can the best practice of Horizon 2020 be better integrated into other programmes \(ESF, Youth Guarantee, Globalisation Fund\)?](#)”

In-Depth Analysis “The effectiveness and visibility of EU funding in the Western Balkan countries with a special focus on the cross-border cooperation” - not available online yet.

CONT/BUDG

Study “[Oversight and Management of the EU Trust Funds](#)”

BUDG

In-Depth Analysis “[The EU spending on fight against climate change](#)”

Study “[EU funds for migration, asylum and integration policies](#)”

Study “Potential revenue from the extension of charging fees by EU Agencies” - not yet available online

Study “Financial Implementation of European Structural and Investment Funds” - not yet available online

Forthcoming publications

CONT

- Study “Public procurement in EU: few winners for main large-scale infrastructure projects; Overview on the criteria selection, the monitoring and the control system” - **11 October 2018**

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