

## Words by the Chair



Dear colleagues,

The first of the two November ITRE committee meetings will be a compact and intense one. We will vote on three files and then focus primarily on the MFF-related legislation. The latter is of crucial importance for ITRE as it shapes the future programmes for which our committee is responsible.

ITRE Members will discuss the draft report on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters. Furthermore, Members will also discuss the report on Establishing a European Instrument for Nuclear Safety, a file which is part of the MFF package, which complements the MFF with activities to be carried out within the framework of the EURATOM Treaty.

The Committee will consider amendments to three MFF-related files and a recast file. First, we will deliberate on the amendments to the draft opinion on the Programme for a Single Market, Competitiveness of Enterprises including SMES and Statistics. Then we will consider those on the Establishing a dedicated financial programme for decommissioning of nuclear facilities and management of radioactive waste,

## Consideration of reports

## Labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters

Consideration of [draft report](#)

Rapporteur: [Michał Boni](#)

On 5 November the ITRE Committee will discuss the draft report on labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and other essential parameters.

Overall, the rapporteur is supportive of the Commission's proposal and has tabled 24 amendments.

The rapporteur believes it is important that manufacturers be given sufficient time to comply with the regulation requirements.

## PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Deadline for tabling amendments: 6 November 2018*
- *Vote in ITRE: 7 January 2019*
- *Vote in Plenary (mandate): tbc*

## Establishing a European Instrument for Nuclear Safety

Consideration of [draft report](#)

Rapporteur: [Vladimir Urutchev](#)

This proposal is made in the context of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2021-2027.

The rapporteur will present his draft report on the European Instrument for Nuclear Safety which complements the MFF with activities to be carried out within the framework of the Euratom Treaty.

## PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Deadline for tabling amendments: 7 November 2018*
- *Vote in ITRE: 3 December 2018*
- *Vote in Plenary: tbc*

and finally - the amendments to the draft report on the Nuclear decommissioning assistance programme of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania. Lastly, the committee will consider the amendments to the draft report on the Re-use of public sector information (recast).

The committee will vote on three opinions, namely: Establishing the InvestEU Programme, for which the lead committees are BUDG and ECON; Autonomous driving in European transport, for which the lead committee is TRAN; and Blockchain: a forward-looking trade policy, for which the lead committee is INTA.

Jerzy Buzek

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## Consideration of amendments

### Establishing the Programme for single market, competitiveness of enterprises, including small and medium-sized enterprises, and European statistics

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [Patrizia Toia](#)

The ITRE committee will be having a consideration of amendments to the draft opinion on a Programme for a Single Market, Competitiveness of Enterprises including SMEs and Statistics. A total of 188 amendments have been tabled to the Commission's proposal that complement the rapporteur's original draft opinion. Under Article 54 of the Parliament's rules of procedure, ITRE has exclusive competences over all matters related to SMEs and the former COSME programme that will be continued through this MFF proposal, meaning that the ITRE vote will be the final committee stage for the relevant amendments before Plenary.

#### PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 3 December 2018*
- *Vote in lead Committee (IMCO): 22 January 2019*

### Establishing a dedicated financial programme for decommissioning of nuclear facilities and management of radioactive waste

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [Peter Kouroumbashev](#)

The Commission proposal, made in the context of the MFF, aims to assist Member States in the process of winding and shutting down those nuclear installations in the final stage in their lifecycles, is based on article 203 of the Euratom Treaty. This means that the Council will adopt this Regulation after consulting the European Parliament but without being obliged to follow its opinion.

31 amendments have been tabled by ITRE Members, including the 9 amendments initially presented by the rapporteur, Mr Kouroumbashev.

#### PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 3 December 2018*
- *Vote in Plenary: tbc*

### Proposal for a Council regulation establishing the nuclear decommissioning assistance programme of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania (Ignalina programme); and repealing Council Regulation (EU) No 1369/2013

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [Rebecca Harms](#)

The nuclear decommissioning assistance programme of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania is part of the MFF 2021-2027. Parliament is consulted on this file. The committee will discuss the 35 amendments that have been tabled.

#### PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 21 November 2018*
- *Vote in Plenary: January 2019*

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## Re-use of public sector information (recast)

Consideration of [amendments](#)

Rapporteur: [Neoklis Sylikiotis](#)

Following the presentation of the draft report by the rapporteur on 9 October 2018, ITRE Members tabled 266 amendments in addition to the 58 proposed by the rapporteur in his draft report.

As for the opinion-giving committees, IMCO adopted 91 amendments, CULT and LIBE opinions have not been voted yet.

The Commission proposal is a recast of the PSI Directive with the objective to contribute to the strengthening of the EU data-economy by increasing the amount of public sector data available for re-use, ensuring fair competition and easy access. In particular, the Commission wants to encourage the dissemination of dynamic data and use of APIs, increase the supply of high-value data sets and limit the exceptions to the principle of charging marginal costs. The amendments focus on a variety of issues such as public undertakings, high-value data sets and access to research data.

### PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

- *Vote in ITRE: 3 December 2018*
- *Vote in Plenary: tbc*

## Votes on 5 November

Dossier	Rapporteur	No of amendments	No of compromise amendments	Vote in lead committee/Plenary
<b>Establishing the InvestEU Programme</b> Adoption of <a href="#">draft opinion</a>	<a href="#">Seán Kelly</a>	499	44	<i>BUDG/ECON:</i> <i>3 December 2018</i>
<b>Autonomous driving in European transport</b> Adoption of <a href="#">draft opinion</a>	<a href="#">Hans-Olaf Henkel</a>	80	13	<i>TRAN: 22 November 2018</i>
<b>Blockchain: a forward-looking trade policy</b> Adoption of <a href="#">draft opinion</a>	<a href="#">Cristian Silviu Busoi</a>	52	11	<i>INTA: 20 November 2018</i>

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