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## **Highlights**

# Joint AGRI-ENVI-ITRE meeting – Exchange of views on the implementation of the EU Forest Strategy, in the presence of Commissioner Phil Hogan



Commissioner Hogan will update the AGRI, ENVI and ITRE committees on the progress in the implementation of the EU Forest Strategy. Members of the three committees will discuss crosscutting forest related issues, in light of new increasing challenges, such as those in the context of the 2030 Climate and Energy framework, the European Bioeconomy Strategy, the Circular Economy Package, the ongoing work on the CAP reform and the need to strengthen growth and jobs in rural areas.

# **Work in progress**

#### Discontinuing seasonal changes of time

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The Rapporteur, Ms Ulrike Muller (ALDE, DE), will present her draft opinion on the proposal for a Directive to change the current summer time regime. TRAN is the lead committee. To end the biannual change of clocks that currently takes place in every Member State at the end of March and the end of October, on 12 September 2018, the European Commission adopted a proposal to discontinue the seasonal changes of time in the Union. One of the key issues includes the necessity to pursue a coordinated approach across Members States, as well as the choice of the standard time.

The deadline for amendments is the 18 January 2019 at 13.00.

### **Votes**

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



Members will vote on the draft opinion by Ms Sofia Ribeiro (EPP, PT) on the Regulation establishing the Programme for single market, for which IMCO is the lead committee. In total 167 amendments have been tabled and the rapporteur, has negotiated 20 compromise amendments to facilitate the vote.

## **Next committee meeting**

23 January 2019, 9.00 – 12.30 and 14.30 – 18.30

24 January 2019, 9.00 – 12.30 (Brussels)

29 January 2019, 15.00 – 18.30 (Brussels)

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