Dear colleagues,

Next ITRE meeting will kick off with votes on proposals for regulations with great importance to industry on the labelling of tyres with respect to fuel efficiency and on establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre. Furthermore, following lively debate during the consideration of the draft opinion, ITRE will be adopting its position about discontinuing seasonal changes of time, a topic that will affect every single citizen living within our borders. MEPs will also vote on the provisional agreement reached with Council on Re-use of public sector information and on an oral question with resolution on the EU’s long-term vision for a prosperous, modern, competitive and climate neutral economy. In this line, a workshop on the role of hydrogen in EU’s energy transition with the example of Germany will close the morning session.

In the afternoon, ITRE will hold a Public Hearing on “Connectivity of the digital future”. It will also hear the Commission present a draft delegated act on renewable energy and will get feedback from several ongoing inter-institutional negotiations.

Jerzy Buzek

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**Other news and events**

**Workshop**

Just energy transition, opportunity for EU industries.

The role of hydrogen in the future - The example of energy transition in Germany

The workshop should address the potential offered by the energy transition to transform EU conventional industrial processes and preserve employment. It should also explore the role of hydrogen in opening new windows of opportunity in energy flexibility, availability, security, as well as improved efficiency contributing to the decarbonisation of the economy. The case of energy transition in phasing out coal from the electricity generation sector in Germany should be taken into account.

More info

**Public hearing**

Connectivity of the digital future

On 19th of February, from 14:30 to 17:00, two panels will shed light on the complex issues of fifth generation wireless mobile standard (5G), taking on board the experience gathered from ongoing 5G trials across the European Union. The hearing will also address the question on how different technologies, such as ubiquitous sensors, small cells, space technologies and artificial intelligence applications combine to create new services and to significantly enhance the user experience for communications, applications, digital content and e-commerce. The hearing will also tackle the issue of barriers and difficulties in 5G rollout within the scope of latest EU’s regulatory framework. Finally, the hearing will allow understanding how 5G, as enabler of very highspeed connectivity, can unlock the world of AI.

More info

**Feedback from ongoing negotiations**

The ITRE Committee Members will receive an update on the ongoing negotiations for the following files:

- Establishing the Digital Europe programme for the period 2021-2027 (COM(2018)0434 – C8-0256/2018 - 2018/0228(COD)) - Rapporteurs: Ms Virkkunen, Mr Marinescu and Mr Telička

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