Dear colleagues,

Tomorrow’s ITRE meeting will start with several votes to enter inter-institutional negotiations, namely, on the Cybersecurity and the labelling of tyres. These votes are an important procedural step to allow this new Parliament to resume ongoing legislative procedures from the last term. In addition to these, we will be adopting the draft opinion on the 2020 Budget as well as ITRE’s contribution to the COP 25 resolution. Following the vote, our meeting will host several presentations on the challenges of a future-oriented EU industrial strategy, on the Galileo Satellite Navigation System and on the EU Space Programmes. In the afternoon, the European Court of Auditors will present their Special Report on wind and solar power generation and the Commission will close the order of business with its report implementation of the work under the nuclear decommissioning assistance programmes to Bulgaria, Lithuania and Slovakia. All these items are matters of great relevance to our upcoming works on Energy and Industry and will give us good insight of their state of play. Our next meeting will focus on the Commissioners’ designate Hearings which all of us have been preparing for a few weeks.

Adina-Ioana Vălean

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**Votes on 25 September**

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Other news and events

Presentation of the Policy department study on "How to tackle challenges in a future-oriented EU industrial strategy" by Dr Julie Pellegrin

This study provides a critical assessment of the 2017 EU industrial strategy and of the policy measures it comprises. Even though the EU industrial strategy is still a "metapolicy", it successfully promotes a more integrated and innovative approach. However, it should more clearly identify mission-oriented strategic goals and mobilise the necessary effort and means to reach them. This document was provided/prepared by Policy Department A at the request of the Industry, Research and Energy Committee.

Study and more info

Presentation of the STOA study on "Galileo Satellite Navigation System: Space applications on earth" by Dr-Ing. Ulf Bestmann

This study explains the background necessary for an understanding of the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) working principle, and highlights Galileo’s properties in comparison to those of other competing GNSSs. It outlines Galileo’s importance for the EU, emphasising the socio-economic and strategic benefits for Europe by providing a detailed view of a wide variety of applications across different domains. The study also considers the different requirements from the various application domains, which are based on commonly used Key Performance Indicators. It also identifies some of the gaps and challenges to reaching Galileo’s final operational capability, expected in 2021. The study concludes with an examination of results, based on which different policy options are proposed in order to maximise the impact of the European GNSS in the near future and in the longer term. The study is based on interviews with various experts throughout Europe involved in GNSS in general and Galileo in particular, and on an extensive literature review covering high-quality sources.

Study

Presentation of the EU Space Programmes as enablers for policies covered by the ITRE Committee

The European space programmes Galileo, EGNOS (European Global Navigation Satellite System - GNSS) and Copernicus support many activities and services that fall within the sphere of interest of the European Parliament’s ITRE Committee. From satellite monitoring and observation to accurate positioning and tracking, the European space programmes provide many of the building blocks for applications that deliver critical services in the areas of Industry, Research and Energy. Europe can legitimately strive to be the leading global actor for the creation and use of space applications and services. To this aim, the presentation organised by ITRE will cover the Commission and GSA perspectives on EU Space for industry /markets/SMEs, with special reference to the arrival of 5G, connected and automated driving, Smart Cities and the Internet of Things and the consequent rapid proliferation and diversification of added-value space services.
Presentation of the European Court of Auditors Special Report "Wind and solar power for electricity generation"

In recent years, electricity generation from wind and solar photovoltaic power has seen impressive growth. Meanwhile, the cost of producing electricity from the wind and sun has become increasingly competitive with the cost of electricity from burning fossil fuels. For this report, the European Court of Auditors (ECA) assessed the progress made by the EU and the Member States towards the 2020 renewables targets and examined the effectiveness of their measures to that end. It was found that significant progress, beginning in 2005, was followed by a deceleration in both sectors after 2014. For half of the EU Member States, meeting the 2020 targets will be a significant challenge. ECA addresses a number of recommendations to the Commission to help Member States support further deployment — by organising auctions, promoting citizen participation and improving the conditions for deployment, including resolving grid insufficiencies.

Report and more info

Presentation by the Commission of the report on the implementation of the work under the nuclear decommissioning assistance programmes to Bulgaria, Lithuania and Slovakia

When they acceded to the EU, Bulgaria, Slovakia and Lithuania committed to shutting down eight nuclear reactors before the end of their scheduled lifetime:
- Kozloduy nuclear power plant in Bulgaria (units 1-4);
- Bohunice V1 nuclear power plant in Slovakia (2 units);
- Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania (2 units).

The EU itself committed to providing financial assistance for safely decommissioning those reactors. Regulation (Euratom) No 1368/2013 and Regulation (Euratom) No 1369/2013 were adopted to provide support to these decommissioning programmes for the funding period 2014-2020, continuing the assistance provided in previous periods. In June 2018 the Commission concluded in its mid-term evaluation report that these Member States had made effective and efficient progress in decommissioning their respective nuclear power plants. Based on a revision of the detailed decommissioning plans, the mid-term evaluation report confirmed that no additional funding is needed in the current MFF (2014-2020) and that the programmes should be continued after 2020.

The report presented during this ITRE meeting was published in May 2019 and reviews the implementation of these nuclear decommissioning assistance programmes during 2018.