

COORDINATORS' DECISIONS

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Present

Bureau: Mr Johan VAN OVERTVELDT (Chair)
Mr Janusz LEWANDOWSKI (Vice-Chair)
Mr Olivier CHASTEL (Vice-Chair)

Coordinators: Mr José Manuel FERNANDES (EPP)
Ms Eider GARDIAZABAL RUBIAL (S&D)
Ms Valerie HAYER (Renew)
Mr Rasmus ANDRESEN (Greens/EFA)
Mr Bogdan RZÓŃCA (ECR)
Mr Dimitrios PAPADIMOULIS (GUE/NGL)

Rapporteur: Monika HOLMEIER (EPP)

1. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coordinators decided to postpone the appointment of BUDG representatives to the inter-committee thematic contact group on artificial intelligence, pending more detailed information.

As a follow-up to the MFF/OR Contact Group meeting of 11 December, Coordinators mandated the Chair to write to the President in relation to the overall Parliament strategy on MFF-related files.

2. POINTS FOR DECISION

2.1. Appointments

Reports			
INI	Implementation report on EU Trust Funds and the Facility for Refugees in Turkey	<u>Decision:</u> Request for own-initiative report <i>(Rapporteur: Janusz Lewandowski, EPP)</i> <u>Points:</u> 1.5 <i>(AFET and DEVE committees agree to request a joint implementation report (automatic authorisation))</i>	Lead: BUDG/AFET/ DEVE

Siegfried Mureşan (EPP) was appointed rapporteur for the European Investment Stabilisation Function.

2.2. Budget 2020: debriefing

Coordinators held an exchange of views on relevant features of the past budgetary procedure and implications for the next one and to reflect on possible messages to be conveyed to the other institutions in this respect.

A deadline for additional written feedback by the coordinators has been set to Tuesday 17 December.

2.3. Annual budget: guidelines and July trilogue

Coordinators decided, starting with the 2021 budgetary procedure:

- to postpone by one month the Spring trilogue and the adoption of the report on political guidelines (so as to make opinions to the guidelines possible);
- to abolish the “mandate for the trilogue” report; a Plenary debate on the draft budget could in any case be kept, while an analysis of the draft budget may be provided in a rapporteur's working document.

Coordinators will review this approach at the end of the Budget 2021 procedure.

2.4. ECA Work programme

Coordinators discussed the topics proposed by the groups. The final list to be sent to the CCC will be agreed upon by written procedure.

2.5. Hearing Programme on EU Own Resources and Fiscal Policy harmonisation: untapped potential for synergies?

Coordinators discussed and endorsed the draft programme of the hearing and the speakers.

2.6. Missions General Overview

Coordinators were invited to nominate seven Members for the Ethiopia mission and communicate the names to the secretariat by 18 December 2019.

2.7. Opinions in the form of a letter

Coordinators decided that opinions in the form of a letter shall be used when:

- the timetable of the committee responsible does not allow BUDG enough time to prepare a standard opinion or a position in the form of amendments, and the committee responsible has confirmed that its vote cannot be postponed; and:
- BUDG is legally obliged or deems it indispensable to provide its view on the file.
- When the committee gives an opinion in the form of a letter:
- the Chair shall be in principle responsible for the opinion (but may delegate the responsibility, e.g. if there is a standing rapporteur on the topic);
- a first draft of the letter shall be circulated to the coordinators with a deadline for comments;
- the political groups, with the assistance of the secretariat, shall make every effort to integrate the comments received into a final version of the letter that has the potential support of a clear majority in BUDG;
- should one political group insist on requesting a change to the letter that is not supported by a majority, after all options for compromise have been explored, that change shall be considered an amendment to the letter and shall be put to the vote;
- the opinion in the form of a letter shall be put to the vote in BUDG; the final vote on the adoption of the letter will be preceded by any votes on amendments tabled pursuant to the previous subparagraph.

2.8. European Parliamentary Week 2020

Coordinators endorsed the modified title: "How to make the EU budget under the next MFF fit to address global challenges" and the choice of panellists (countries) for the BUDG ICM.

3. POINTS FOR INFORMATION

3.1. Documents for information

3.2. Delegated and implementing acts

3.3. State of play of appointments on BUDG files

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

5. NEXT MEETING

The next Coordinators' meeting is scheduled on 22-23 January 2019 (tbc) in Brussels.