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**EMPL COORDINATORS**

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## 1. Chair's announcements

### 1.1. Interpretation languages (JK)

**Interpretation was provided in the following languages: English, French, German, Italian and Polish**

### 1.2. 1.2. List of EMPL Coordinators

**(For information)**

**(New numbers as of 1st February 2020.)**

	<u>EMPL Coordinators/Deputies</u>	
<b>EPP (15)</b>	Dennis Radtke	Sara Skyttedal
<b>S&amp;D (12)</b>	Agnes Jongerius	

<b>RE (8)</b>	<b>Dragoş Pîslaru</b>	Sylvie Brunet
<b>ID (6)</b>	<b>France Jamet</b>	Elena Lizzi
<b>Greens/EFA (4)</b>	<b>Kira Marie Peter-Hansen</b>	Katrin Langensiepen
<b>ECR (5)</b>	<b>Elżbieta Rafalska</b>	Helmut Geuking
<b>The LeftThe LEFT (4)</b>	<b>Nikolaj Villumsen</b>	

Please note that the above *order* of political groups reflects their strength in the Chamber, not in the committee.<sup>1</sup>

**The Coordinators warmly thanked Elina Natcheva for her work as EPP advisor and wished her all the best in her new position.**

## **2. Points for information/follow-up of previous decisions**

### ***2.1. Update on UNCRPD (MM)***

**The Coordinators took note of the information provided. Further information was requested on the institutional coordination and focal points. This information will be provided in writing by the EMPL Secretariat**

### ***2.2. European Semester Conference / Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the EU on 22 -state of play [ABR]***

**The Coordinators took note of the state-of-play. The Secretariat provided clarifications as regards the speakers that have been invited upon a proposal of the project team and Portuguese Presidency. They also agreed that Commissioner Schmit would be invited for the EMPL ICM session.**

### ***2.3. Programming exercise of EMPL hearings for the period 15.03-30.06.2021 [EC]***

**The Chair informed the Coordinators of the 3 topics that have been selected as a result of the written consultation, as well as their tentative dates. The Coordinators then hold an extensive exchange of views, during which the following issues were raised:**

- Proposed date for the hearing on the Pay Transparency (considered as too late by S&D);**
- Proposal to add a fourth hearing, on the Child Guarantee (RE) or Amazon (S&D, The Left)**
- Proposal to change the hearing on Minimum Wages into an exchange of views (S&D)**

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.europarl.europa.eu/meps/en/search/table>

Plenary (29.6.2020): EPP 187, S&D 147, RE 98, ID 76, Greens/EFA 67, ECR 62, The LeftTHE LEFT 39, ID 29

The Secretariat highlighted that the number of hearings proposed (3) was limited due to the limited number of slots dedicated to EMPL meetings in the coming months. It was agreed to take a final decision in a written procedure<sup>2</sup>.

#### ***2.4. Services offered by EPRS to EMPL Members (EC)***

The Coordinators were invited to take note of the services offered by EPRS and of their timeframe and to draw attention of Rapporteurs on those services.

### **3. Cooperation pursuant to Rules 56+/57/58 - state of play**

#### ***3.1. Update on FEMM request for rule 58 on Minimum Wages (TV/ABR)***

The Coordinators took note of the state of play

#### ***3.2. EMPL request for rule 57 on FEMM report "Equality between men and women"(TV)***

The Coordinators took note of the state of play

### **4. ECA 2022 Work Programme (TV)**

The Coordinators regretted that the EMPL suggestions for the 2021 WP were not sufficiently taken up by ECA and agreed in principle to put them forward as EMPL suggestions for the ECA 2022 work programme. They emphasized, in particular, the need for audits of the Youth Guarantee, and of the organisation of persons with disabilities and those that support persons with disabilities and whose funding has been withheld or diverted to Coronavirus response initiative. A written consultation will be launched after the Coordinators meeting.

The EPP Coordinator also stressed on the critical situation of ECA as regards staffing.

### **5. New EP calendar and future EMPL meetings dates [JK]**

Coordinators took note of the new EP calendar and the tentative meeting dates for the next EMPL meetings. They were invited to note that, due to the current situation neither rooms nor interpretation can currently be guaranteed until the very last moment (even when they have been booked months in advance). They agreed that, whenever possible, votes on Mondays should be avoided.

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<sup>2</sup> As a result of the written consultation, the hearings selected for the period 15.03-30.06.2021 were:

- hearing on the new Occupational Health and Safety framework - this hearing would cover, in particular, occupational exposure to asbestos;
- hearing on the proposal on Pay transparency;
- hearing on Amazon attacks on fundamental workers' rights and freedoms: freedom of assembly and association and the right to collective bargain and action.

## 6. Allocation of reports and opinions

**The coordinators took note of the recent adoption of:**

- **1 own-initiative report subject to quota;**
- **1 implementation report.**

### *6.1. Decisions on new reports and opinions*

<b>Reports</b>
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None

<b>Opinions</b>
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*6.1.1. Possible EMPL opinion on CULT implementation report “Implementation of inclusion measures within Erasmus+ 2014-2020” [ABR]*

**Decision**

**No opinion**

### *6.2. Possible launch of new own-initiative/ implementation reports [EC]*

**Decision**

**The Coordinators decided to postpone the decision on the launch of both a new INI and a new implementation report until the next Coordinators meeting.**

<b>Documents for information</b>
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**The Coordinators took note of the documents received for information**

**Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Joint Committee established by the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community as regards the date from which the provisions of Title III of Part Two of the Agreement shall apply to the nationals of Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Kingdom of Norway, and the Swiss Confederation (EC)  
COM(2020)0780**

**Opinion Of A National Parliament (MT) On The Proposal For A Directive Of The European Parliament And Of The Council On Adequate Minimum Wages In The European Union (COM (2020) 682) [ANNEX]**

**Opinion Of A National Parliament (SE) On The Proposal For A Directive Of The European Parliament And Of The Council On Adequate Minimum Wages In The European Union (COM(2020) 682)**

**Opinion Of A National Parliament (DA) On The Proposal For A Directive Of The European Parliament And Of The Council On Adequate Minimum Wages In The European Union (COM(2020) 682)**

**Opinion Of The National Parliament (IT) On Proposal For A Directive Of The European Parliament And Of The Council On Adequate Minimum Wages In The European Union (COM(2020) 682)**

*6.3. Proposal to amend the scope of the INL “Protecting workers from asbestos” (EMPL/9/01679)*

**Decision**

**The Coordinators held an exchange of views and endorsed the rapporteur’s suggestion to change the content of the INL report.**

**The Secretariat confirmed that the Chair has to write to the CCC Chair to request authorisation to modify the scope of the INL report.**

**7. Possible update of the Rules of procedure (ELA) (SR)**

**Decision**

**The Coordinators mandated the Chair to write to the Conference of Presidents to request an update of the Rules of Procedure so that the newly established European Labour Authority can be included in the list of agencies under the EMPL remit in Annex VI Powers and responsibilities of standing committees.**

**8. 2022 Budgetary procedure (SR)**

**The Coordinators took note of the details of the budgetary procedure for the DB 2022. They also reiterated their criticism on the Commission’s assessment procedure of Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions regarding last year’s procedure and it was confirmed that the Chair would raise the matter again with the Commission and at CCC level.**

**9. Petitions [SR]**

*9.1. Petitions received for information (see **the annexes**):*

- Petition No 0631/2020 by A. E. and C. S. (Italian) on the recognition of qualifications acquired by non-established teaching staff through ‘experience in the field’
- Petition No 0677/2020 by A. S. (Polish), on behalf of Stowarzyszenie Rozwoju Innowacyjności Energetycznej w Zgorzelcu (Association for Development and Innovation in Zgorzelec), bearing 27,000 signatures, against immediate closure of the Lignite Mine in Turów (Poland)
- Petition No 0747/2020 by Carlos Alonso Ciudad (Spanish), on behalf of Asociación Vecinal de San Lorenzo (Ermua), of the citizens’ platform ‘Zaldivar Argitu’ and of Asociación Ekologistak Martxan Bizkaia, on the accident which occurred on 6 February 2020 at the Zaldivar landfill site
- Petition No 0850/2020 by Daniela Giardino (Italian) on the misuse and excessive use of fixed-term contracts in the Italian health service
- Petition No 0880/2020 by Dimosthenis Stefanidis (Greek) on an alleged violation of the Working Time Directive by Cyprus
- Petition No 0967/2020 by Daniel Jan Hans Hinkelmann (German) on boosting consumer rights in the EU
- Petition 1027/2020 by W.R. (German) on the definition of blindness in the EU

### **The Coordinators took note**

#### **9.2. Petitions received for decision (see **the annexes**):**

- Petition No 0427/2020 by T.M (German) on codifying case-law and improving the coordination of EU and national social security systems

**The Coordinators took note of a confidential petition on codifying case-law and improving the coordination of EU and national social security systems.**

**They decided to consult the Commission and, after clarifying if there is a case to issue an opinion, to do so in the form of a letter.”**

## **10. Points for information [ADs concerned]**

### **10.1. Commission Directive (EU) 2020/739 of 3 June 2020 amending Annex III to Directive 2000/54/EC as regards the inclusion of SARS-CoV-2 in the list of biological agents known to infect humans and amending Commission Directive (EU) 2019/1833: the follow-up on the Commission statement (CK/EC)**

**The Coordinators took note of this letter and agreed to discuss it at a subsequent meeting. They also noted that the EMPL Committee will hold an exchange of views with Commissioner Schmit on 1st February.**

### **10.2. Tentative agenda of the Commission for proposals to be expected in the social field (MM/SM/JB/MP)**

**The Coordinators took note of this information.**

**10.3.      *Impact assessment Minimum wages (TV/ABR)***

**The Coordinators took note of this information**

**10.4.      *EU Court of Justice recent ruling on the posting of workers directive (JB)***

**The Coordinators took note of this information**

**10.5.      *Poldep study “The impact of digital work and teleworking on workers and society (with a special focus on surveillance and monitoring as well as the mental health of workers)” (EC/MP)***

**The Coordinators took note of this forthcoming study**

**10.6.      *Annual Report on Intra-EU labour mobility (SM)***

**The Coordinators took note of this information**

**10.7.      *New Consumer Agenda. Strengthening consumer resilience for sustainable recovery (COM(2020) 696 final) (SR)***

**The Coordinators took note of this information**

## **11. Timetables**

### **Timetables of reports:**

**European Semester for economic policy coordination: Employment and Social Aspects in the Annual Sustainable Growth Strategy 2021 - Rapp: Gálvez Munoz**

Joint ECON-EMPL Economic Dialogue on the ASGS 2021	7 December 2020
Send draft report to translation	18 December 2020 (in EN)
Consideration of draft report	14 January 2020
Deadline for AMs	20 January 2021, noon, <b>only in EN</b>
Availability of Amendments in all languages	4 February 2021 tbc
Consideration of AMs	27-28 January (AMs might not be available in all languages)
Shadow Rapporteurs meeting - compromises	Weeks 4, 5, 6
<b>Vote in EMPL</b>	23 February tbc
Vote in Plenary	March I 2021 tbc



**Impacts of EU rules on the free movements of workers and services: intra-EU labour mobility as a tool to match labour market needs and skills - Rapp: Kanev (update)**

Draft report sent to translation	6 November 2020 <del>9-20 October 2020</del>
Consideration of draft report	30 November/ 1 December 2020 <del>10 November 2020</del> <del>28 October</del>
Deadline AMs	<b>9 December 2020, 12.00</b> <del>17 November 2020</del> <del>10 November 2020</del>
Consideration of AMs	27 January/ <del>27-28 January 2021</del> <del>30 November/1 December 2020</del>
Shadow Rapporteurs meetings COMPs	February/ March 2021 <del>December 2020, January</del>
Vote in EMPL	<del>February</del> /17 March 2021 (tbc)
Vote in Plenary	<b>tbc</b>

**Old continent growing older - possibilities and challenges related to ageing policy post 2020 - rapp: Szydło (update)**

Send draft report to translation	11 September
Consideration of draft report	1 October tbc
Deadline for amendments	8 October noon
Availability of AMs in all languages	23 October tbc
Consideration of AMs	10 November
Shadows meetings	Weeks <span style="color: red;">49, 50, 51, 1-7</span>
Vote in EMPL	<span style="color: red;">January 23 February 2021 (week 4)</span> tbc
Plenary	<span style="color: red;">March</span> 2021 tbc

**Timetables of opinions:**

Opinion on the general guidelines for the 2022 budget (Section III) - Rapp. Ďuriš Nicholsonová

BUDG draft report available (in EN)	10 February (TBC)
<b>Deadline for AMs to BUDG draft report under Rule 56(4) EN ONLY (not in AT4AM)</b>	12 February**, 12.00
EMPL vote	22-23 February (TBC depending on the possible extraordinary plenary to vote on TCA with the UK)
BUDG vote (on all AMs tabled to the draft report, including the EMPL position in the form of AMs)	17 March

Finalisation of possible compromise AMs: week 7 (green week)

**\*\* The deadline for tabling AMs will be automatically adjusted in case BUDG report is made available on an earlier or later date than 10 February.**

**The protection of persons with disabilities through petitions: lessons learnt - Rapp: Kanev**

Send draft opinion to translation	25 February 2021 tbc
Consideration of draft opinion	17-18 March 2021 tbc
Deadline for AMs	24 March 2021, noon tbc
Availability of Amendments in all languages	13 April 2021 tbc
Shadow Rapporteurs meeting	Weeks 16, 17 ...
<b>Vote in EMPL</b>	May / June tbc (no EMPL meeting date available yet)
Vote in PETI	June or July 2021

**The Coordinators took note of these timetables**

## 12. Use of the annual page reserve in 2020 (JK)

The total annual page reserve amounts to 45 pages à 1500 characters.

FdR	Deadline	Doc. Type	Part	Characters	Pages	Rapporteur	AD	Subject
1196942	23/03/2020	PA	Suggestions	259	0,17	Rodríguez Palop	Bürger	The EU Strategy for Gender Equality
1203804	26/05/2020	PA	Suggestions	1502	1,00	Zdechovský	Petrucchi	Report on the implementation of National Roma Integration Strategies
1206624	24/06/2020	PA	Suggestions	1792	1,19	Cañas	Vujatovic	A New Industrial Strategy for Europe
1208364	09/07/2020	PA	Suggestions	733	0,49	Alieva-Veli	Radeva	A new strategy for European SMEs
1198318	13/07/2020	PR	Part A	4119	2,75	Demirel	Carmona	Reducing inequalities with a special focus on in work poverty
1210732	24/08/2020	PR	Part A	1943	1,30	Van Sparrentak	Makay/Radeva	Access to decent and affordable housing for all
1209952	13/08/2020	PA	Short justification	339	0,23	Pislaru	Vujatovic	Recovery and Resilience Facility
1211582	02/09/2020	PA	Suggestions	653	0,44	Rafalska	Martinello	New Avenues for Legal Labour Migration
1212634	22/09/2020	PA		559	0,37	Zalewska	Bürger	Shaping digital education policy
1213493	25/09//2020	PR	Part A	2700	1,80	Szydło	Makay	Old continent growing older
1212534	08/10/2020	PR	Part A	3197	2,13	Langensiepen	Makay	General framework for equal treatment in employment and occupation in light of the UNCRPD
1213614	12/10/2020	PR	Part A	5652	3,77	Radtke, Jongerius	Petrucchi	A strong social Europe for Just Transitions
1217539	23/11/2020	PR	Part A	1587	1,06	Kanev	Radeva	Impacts of EU rules on the free movements of workers and services
1214496	30/11/2020	PA	Suggestions	3214	2,14	Duda	Petrucchi	Fishers for the future
1218771	05/01/2021	PA	Suggestions	1620	1,08	Arvanitidis	Petrucchi	Shaping the digital future of Europe
1218525	12/01/2021	PA	Suggestions	2193	1,46	Tomc	Radeva	2019 discharge: General budget of the EU - European Commission
1220719	13/01/2021	PR	Part A	3758	2,51	Gálvez Muñoz	Makay	European Semester for economic policy coordination

1220719	13/01/2021	PR	Part B	1529	1,02	Gálvez Muñoz	Makay	European Semester for economic policy coordination
<b>Total:</b>				<b>37349</b>	<b>24,90</b>			

**The Coordinators took note of this information**

**13. Dates of next Coordinators' meetings [JK]**  
**(Take note)**

**The Coordinators took note of the tentative dates for the next meetings**