

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS' MEETING

- not to be-treated in full committee -

Tuesday, 24 January 2023, 11:30 - 13:30

BRUSSELS

(meeting room: Jozsef Antall 2Q2 and with remote participation)

COORDINATORS' RESULTS

26.01.2023

- Mr Canfin, Chair
- Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group
- Mr Wölken, Coordinator of the S&D group
- Mr Torvalds, Coordinator of the Renew group
- Mr Eickhout, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group
- Ms Sardone, Coordinator of the ID group
- Mr Vondra, Coordinator of the ECR group
- Ms Modig, Coordinator of the Left group, replaced by Mr Kokkalis from item 5 onwards
- Mr Klaus Berend, DG SANTE, EC (for item 3)
- Mr Günther Sidl, ENVI contact person for EFSA (for item 3)
- Mr Martin Hojsik, ENVI contact person for ECHA (for item 3)

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA

The draft agenda was adopted in the form shown in the minutes.

2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Invitation to the new Director-General of DG CLIMA for an exchange of views in ENVI*
- *Invitation to European Scientific Advisory Board on Climate Change for a presentation in ENVI of advice given to the Commission in relation to setting climate targets for 2040;*
- *Exchange of views with the Commission at one of the next committee meetings on the recent ECJ judgement C-162/21 on derogations from express bans on the*

marketing and use of seeds treated with plant protection products containing neonicotinoids;

- *Establishment of a health subcommittee under ENVI: legislative work in ENVI and timeframe of establishment in view of limited staff resources*

3. EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH THE COMMISSION ON LONG-TERM CARCINOGENICITY AND TOXICITY OF PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCTS

**** In the presence of Klaus Berend, DG SANTE, as well as Günther Sidl (ENVI contact person for EFSA) and Martin Hojsík (ENVI contact person for ECHA) ****

Decision taken:

Coordinators had an exchange of views on this topic with the Commission in the presence of the ENVI contact persons for EFSA and ECHA. They generally welcomed the further action outlined in the letter by Commissioner Kyriakides concerning the evaluation of the long-term toxicity of plant protection products and decided to follow up on this issue at a later stage.

4. DECISIONS ON URGENT MATTERS

4.1 *Nomination of EP representatives on bodies set up under the EU Health Union*

Decision taken:

Coordinators decided to propose the following nominations:

- *the designation of Prof. Dr. Aura Timen, Head of the Department of Primary and Community Care at the Radboud University Medical Centre, Nijmegen, as the EP representative on the Health Security Committee (HERA), and Prof. Dr. Didier Lepelletier as a substitute;*
- *the designation of Prof. Dr. Didier Lepelletier, President of the French High Council of Public Health and head of the department of hospital hygiene at Nantes University hospital, as the EP representative on the Health Crisis Board, and Prof. Dr. Aura Timen as a substitute.*

Coordinators also decided that the mandate of both representatives should be for a period of three years and mandated the Chair to write to the President in view of a decision by the Conference of Presidents.

4.2 *European Citizens' Initiative to end the trade of shark fins in the EU*

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to join the public hearing organised by PECH on the European Citizen's Initiative "Stop Fining – Stop the Trade" as an associated committee along with the PETI committee.*

4.3 *Relations with other committees*

- *Joint hearing with AGRI: "Carbon farming: practical applications in use in the EU"- nomination of experts (22 March 2023)*

Decision taken: *Coordinators took note of the new date of the hearing and decided to allow political groups to propose experts until 27 January COB in view of a decision on the selection of experts in written procedure thereafter.*

- *Joint hearing with AGRI: the "Sustainable management of water resources in agriculture - nomination of experts (25 April 2023)*

Decision taken: *Coordinators took note of the new date of the hearing and decided to allow political groups to propose experts until 27 January COB in view of a decision on the selection of experts in written procedure thereafter.*

- *EURO 7 (requests for associated status from ITRE, IMCO and TRAN)*

Decision taken: *Coordinators mandated the Chair to negotiate an agreement with his ITRE counterpart granting Rule 57 with limited shared competences related to batteries durability and cyber-security. They also decided to dismiss IMCO's and TRAN's requests for association, based on past precedents.*

- *Certification of carbon removals - AGRI request for associated committee status*

Decision taken: *Coordinators mandated the Chair to negotiate an agreement with AGRI granting Rule 57 with limited shared competences.*

5. **DECISIONS ON PROCEDURE** *(see list of points in Annex VIII and VIIIa)*

Reports

1. **Fees and charges payable to the European Medicines Agency, amending Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 297/95 and Regulation (EU) 658/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council**

ENVI/9/10980

***I 2022/0417(COD) COM(2022)0721 – C9-0426/2022

Responsible:

ENVI

Opinions:

BUDG

Decision taken: *EPP group (1 point).*

2. **Amending Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures**

ENVI/9/11034

***I 2022/0432(COD) COM(2022)0748 – C9-0433/2022

Responsible:

ENVI

Opinions:

ITRE

IMCO

Decision taken: *EPP group (1 point).
Coordinators also decided to invite the Commission for a presentation of the proposal.*

3. **Amending Regulations (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746 as regards the transitional provisions for certain medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices**

ENVI/9/11070

***I 2023/0005(COD) COM(2023)0010 – C9-0003/2023

Responsible:

ENVI

Opinions:

EMPL

IMCO

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to mandate the Chair to write to the President to request an urgent procedure under rule 163 of the Rules of Procedure (RoP), once the Council has confirmed its intention to adopt the proposal without amendments.*

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Own-initiative reports

4. Implementation and delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals

Decision taken: *The Left group (1 point).*

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Legislative opinions

5. Labelling of organic pet food

ENVI/9/10800

***I 2022/0390(COD) COM(2022)0659 – C9-0396/2022

Responsible:
AGRI

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to deal with the appointment of a rapporteur for the opinion in form of a letter in written procedure, once the AGRI coordinators have taken a decision on the future procedure.*

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Non-legislative opinions

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Documents received for information

- 6. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the Functioning of the European carbon market in 2021 pursuant to Articles 10(5) and 21(2) of Directive 2003/87/EC (as amended by Directive 2009/29/EC and Directive (EU) 2018/410)**
COM(2022)0516

Decision taken: *No action needed, for information only.*

- 7. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions State of Health Preparedness Report**
COM(2022)0669

Decision taken :

No action needed, for information only.

8. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS EU Global Health Strategy Better Health for All in a Changing World**
COM(2022)0675

Decision taken:

The presentation of the Communication took place jointly with DEVE committee on 25 January. No further action needed.

9. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS EU policy framework on biobased, biodegradable and compostable plastics**
COM(2022)0682

Decision taken:

No action needed, for information only.

10. **Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be taken, on behalf of the European Union, in the sixty-sixth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on the scheduling of substances under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 (JGAL/AC)**
COM(2023)0002

Decision taken:

No action needed, for information only.

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Other documents received

11. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the implementation of Directive 2010/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2010 on standards of quality and safety of human organs intended for transplantation**
COM(2022)0671
12. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of Regulation (EU) No 691/2011 on European environmental economic accounts**

COM(2022)0718

13. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on statistics compiled pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 on waste statistics and their quality**
COM(2022)0719
14. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the recognition of third countries for the purpose of equivalence on organic products**
COM(2022)0728
15. **Annexes to the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council pursuant to Article 16(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/953 of the European Parliament and of the Council on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable COVID-19 vaccination, test and recovery certificates (EU Digital COVID Certificate) to facilitate free movement during the COVID-19 pandemic**
COM(2022)0753
16. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the regions: JRC technical report on 'Assessment of the potential for energy efficiency in electricity generation, transmission and storage'**
COM(2023)0001
17. **Commission Recommendation establishing a European assessment framework for 'safe and sustainable by design' chemicals and materials**
C(2022)8854
18. **Commission staff working document Analysis of the national long-term renovation strategies**
SWD(2022)0375
19. **Commission staff working document NextGenerationEU Green Bonds Allocation Report**
SWD(2022)0442
20. **Commission staff working document Study on the Union's situation and options regarding the introduction, production, evaluation, marketing and use of invertebrate biocontrol agents within the territory of the Union**
SWD(2022)0446
21. **Commission staff working document Drivers of food security**
SWD(2023)0004

6. DECISIONS RELATED TO LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- 6.1 *Request for a legal opinion on the legal basis of the Nature Restoration Regulation proposal*

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided not to request an opinion from the Legal Service on the legal basis of the Nature Restoration proposal.*

6.2 Request for an exchange of views with the Commission on the revision of REACH

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to invite the Commission for an exchange of views on the forthcoming revision of the REACH regulation at one of the next committee meetings.*

7. INPUT FOR THE FUTURE CCC AWAY-DAY ON THE POSSIBLE UPDATE OF ANNEX VI OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

Decision taken: *Coordinators had an exchange of views on the possible update of Annex VI of the RoP in order for the Chair to provide feedback during the forthcoming CCC Reflection Day.*

8. DECISIONS RELATED TO NON-LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

8.1 EEA - future replacement of the Executive Director

Decision taken: *Coordinators endorsed the proposed procedure in view of the nomination of the new EEA Executive Director.*

8.2 COP27 and G77, and China's role in G77

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to organise an exchange of views with Executive Vice-President Timmermans at coordinators level on this issue. They also agreed on the principle of requesting authorisation for an ENVI ad hoc delegation to Brazil in the coming months.*

8.3 Exchange of views with Commissioner Lenarčič on the EU's Disaster Resilience Goals

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to invite Commissioner Lenarčič for an exchange of views on the future Communication on the EU's Disaster Resilience Goals at one of the next committee meetings.*

- 8.4 *Request to invite the authors of two STOA studies (“Fostering coherence in EU health research: Strengthening EU research for better health” and “European pharmaceutical research and development: Could public infrastructure overcome market failures?”)*

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to invite the authors of the two STOA studies for a presentation at one of the next committee meetings.*

9. **PROPOSALS FOR DECISION WITHOUT DEBATE**

9.1 *ECA – input to the work programme 2024*

Decision taken: *Political groups are invited to submit proposals linked to the use of EU revenue and expenditures for the ECA 2024+ Work Programme in writing by Thursday 2 February 2023 COB in view of a decision by written procedure.*

9.2 *ENVI mission to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) in Helsinki*

Decision taken: *Coordinators took note of the latest information on the forthcoming mission to ECHA.*

9.3 *Decisions on procedure*

9.3.1 *Motions for resolution Rule 143*

None.

9.4 *Petitions for opinion*

Decision taken: *No opinion. The Chair will reply accordingly to the PETI Chair.*

9.5 *Documents recently published by the European Court of Auditors*

- *Opinion 08/2022 concerning the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Social Climate Fund as revised by the Council*

Decision taken: *No action needed, for information only.*

- *Special report 01/2023 “Tools facilitating travel within the EU during the COVID-19 pandemic”*

Decision taken: *No action needed, for information only.*

- *Review 02/2023 EU actions to address the increasing amount of hazardous waste*

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to have this report presented in Committee (possibly also with CONT).*

9.6 Recommendations by coordinators taken by written procedure

Coordinators endorsed through written procedure the following recommendations:

1. *Draft letter on energy savings in the EP (deadline: 21 December 2022 at 13:00)*
2. *Format and call for experts for AGRI - ENVI public hearings (deadline: 21 December 2022 at 13:00)*
3. *Opinion to the proposal on labelling of organic pet food (deadline: 21 December 2022 at 13:00)*
4. *ENVI opinion in the form of a letter to the ECON INI Report on European Semester for economic policy coordination: Annual Growth Survey 2023 (deadline: 19 January 2023 at 17:00)*

10. POINTS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 *Letter from Commissioner Kyriakides on the study requested by the Council on Invertebrate Biocontrol Agents (IBCA's)*

10.2 *Updated calendar of ENVI Committee meetings in the first half of 2023*

10.3 *Updated tables on the legislative and non-legislative work*

10.4. *Petitions for information*

10.5 *Case-law of interest for the ENVI Committee*

10.6 *Letters of interest for the coordinators*

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 *Timetable of the Sustainable Use of Plant Protection Products file*

Decision taken: *Coordinators stressed the need to agree quickly on a joint timetable with AGRI for the SUR file (Regulation on the Sustainable Use of Plant Protection Products).*

12. NEXT COORDINATORS' MEETING

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