# **AFCO**



## **Committee on Constitutional Affairs**

## Newsletter

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## INTRODUCTORY WORDS BY THE CHAIR

Dear Readers,

I have the pleasure to introduce you to the 73rd issue of the



AFCO Committee
newsletter. As I am sure
many of our regular readers
are aware, this newsletter is
an important tool prepared
by the Committee
Secretariat to keep you
informed on various AFCO
activities and the current
important topics in the
domain of constitutional
affairs in the European

Parliament. This month contains two Committee meetings; the AFCO ordinary meeting that was held on 3 April and the upcoming extraordinary meeting scheduled for Monday 22 April. During the first meeting of this month Members voted on the draft report on Amendments to Parliament's Rules of Procedure concerning the training on preventing conflict and harassment in the workplace and on good office management. The meeting on Monday 22 April has one vote scheduled to be held. The vote on the draft report on Establishing an Interinstitutional Body for Ethical Standards for Members of. I am convinced that readers will appreciate the important information included in this newsletter and will follow our upcoming committee meeting with great interest.

Salvatore De Meo Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs

\*\*\*Voting time\*\*\*

## <u>Establishing an Interinstitutional Body for Ethical Standards for</u> Members of Institutions and bodies

## Rapporteur: Daniel Freund (Greens/EFA)

During the extraordinary committee meeting on 22 April AFCO Members will vote on the draft report on the Agreement establishing an Interinstitutional Body for Ethical Standards for Members of Institutions and advisory bodies mentioned in Article 13 of the Treaty on European Union.

The draft report was presented by the rapporteur Daniel Freund (Greens/EFA) during the AFCO meeting on 3 April.

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish an interinstitutional framework for cooperation on ethical standards for the members of the Union's institutions and bodies.



Amendments to Parliament's Rules of Procedure concerning the training on preventing conflict and harassment in the workplace and on good office management

Rapporteur: Gabriele Bischoff (S&D)

At its meeting of 3 April 2024, the committee voted on the report on Amendments to Parliament's Rules of Procedure concerning the training on preventing conflict and harassment in the workplace and on good office management (2024/2006(REG)), for which Gabriele Bischoff (S&D) is the rapporteur. It was adopted with 14 votes in favour, 9 votes against and 0 abstentions.

The report provides for the training on preventing conflict and harassment in the workplace and on good office management to become mandatory for Members. Not completing the training within the deadline and under the conditions foreseen in Annex II of the Rules of Procedure would lead to penalties. Moreover, Members would not be able to be elected as office-holders or be appointed as rapporteurs and could, under strict conditions, be removed from those offices if they have not completed the training in breach of that Annex.



\*\*\*End of vote\*\*\*





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#### **MEETING DOCUMENTS**

In light of the European Parliament's paperless project, please bear in mind that no paper dossiers will be available in the meeting room. Instead, meeting documents will be made available on the following <u>public</u> and <u>EP internal</u> websites.

#### **MEETING DATE AND VENUE**

22 April 2024 19.30 – 19.45

Room: DE MADARIAGA S1 - Strasbourg

#### **MEETING LANGUAGES REQUESTED**

DE EN FR IT NL ES PT ET HU PL BG

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**



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