A WORD FROM THE CHAIR



With the Christmas break now behind us, I would like to wish you a happy new year. Our work starts again at the beginning of what will be a very intense few months.

At a joint sitting of the ENVI and ITRE committees, we will vote on the report responding to the Commission's Green Paper on a 2030 framework for climate and energy policies.

Concerning other ITRE work, there will also be a joint debate on the ten files that make up the Innovation Investment Package, which is directly linked to the implementation of the Horizon programme.

The package includes:

- six public-private partnerships in innovative medicines, aeronautics, electronics, bio-based industries, fuel cells and hydrogen, and air traffic management; and
- four public-public partnerships between the Commission and Member States on new treatments against poverty-related diseases, measurement technologies for industrial competitiveness, support for high tech SMEs, and solutions for the elderly.

Finally, we will also vote on reports on maritime CO2 emissions and on eCall in vehicles.

Amalia Sartori

MEETING OF 9 JANUARY 2014

Green Paper: A 2030 framework for climate and energy policies

(Rapporteurs: <u>A. Delvaux</u> (ENVI) and <u>K.Szymanski</u> (ITRE)

Adoption of a <u>draft report</u> (Rule 51)

The own-initiative report responds to the Green Paper of 27 March 2013 by which the Commission started a debate on a 2030 framework for climate and energy policies, that is, for the period following the present policy framework up to 2020.

The debate so far has been very active with Members from both committees tabling 920 amendments, whilst the co-rapporteurs have proposed 86 compromise amendments with the support of other groups and shadow rapporteurs.

Amendments deal with the whole range of issues covered by the text, in particular the setting of targets (number, scope, bindingness, level, timing), but also the role of energy efficiency, renewable energies and technology choices, the energy mix, cooperation between Member States, and the role of EU policy in the international context.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in plenary: 4 February 2014

Carbon dioxide emissions from maritime transport



(Draftsperson: M. Ulvskog)

Adoption of a draft opinion

The Committee will vote on Ms Ulvskog's draft opinion on Monitoring, reporting and verification of emissions from maritime transport.

Members tabled a total of 77 amendments.

Whereas the Commission's includes rules for both CO2 emissions and other climate relevant information many of the amendments aim to limit the applicability of the rules to CO2 emission only. Others concern the timetable for the entry into force and implementation of the regulation and the methods to be allowed for measuring CO2 emissions.

In an amendment proposed by the draftsperson the Commission is asked to present a legislative proposal on emissions reductions and instruments if no international agreement which includes emissions reduction commitments is signed by 31 December 2015.

Deployment of the eCall invehicle system

(Draftsperson: A.I. Vălean)

Adoption of a draft opinion

The Committee will vote on the proposal for a regulation on the approval requirements for the deployment of the eCall in-vehicle system and amending Directive 2007/46/EC.

Members tabled a total of 45 amendments to the proposal and the draftsperson proposed 7 compromises.

Many of the amendments require that more time is given to the vehicle manufacturers to adapt this Regulation to the technical requirements.

Horizon 2020 - Innovation and Investment Package (PPPs and P2Ps)

Consideration of amendments

This week the Committee will debate the amendments tabled to the six legislative proposals to establish public-private partnerships (PPPs) under Article 187 TFEU and the four legislative proposals to establish public-public partnerships (P2P) with Member States under Article 185 TFEU. Parliament is treating these files as one legislative package.

This package is of high importance for the ITRE Committee since its implementation will have a direct impact on the balance of funding amongst the various initiatives funded under Horizon 2020.

The PPPs and P2Ps are only two of the instruments through which Horizon 2020 funds will be disbursed and Parliament has been adamant that these two instruments do not function to the detriment of other methods of funding under Horizon 2020.

This is an issue that was very contentious during Horizon 2020 negotiations and has become even more poignant now that Council has cut the overall budget for Horizon 2020 by 12.5%.

The debate is expected to focus on several horizontal issues:

Discharge procedure

- Duration of the partnerships
- Level of Budget transferred from Horizon 2020.
- Alignment with the conditions set in Horizon 2020.
- Derogations from the Rules of Participation.

Joint Undertakings under Article 187 TFEU

Innovative Medicines Initiative 2
 Joint Undertaking

(Rapporteur: T. Riera Madurell)

• Bio-Based Industries Joint Undetaking

(Rapporteur: L. van Nistelrooij)

 Clean Sky 2 Joint Undertaking (Rapporteur: C. Ehler)

• ECSEL Joint Undertaking

(Rapporteur: P. Rubig)

 Fuel Cells and Hydrogen 2 Joint Undertaking

(Rapporteur: V.T. Panayotov)

SESAR Joint Undertaking

(Rapporteur: B. Thomsen)

Joint Undertakings under Article 185 TFEU

Active and Assisted Living

(Rapporteur: <u>C. Turmes</u>)

 Clinical Trials Partnership Programme

(Rapporteur: V. Ford)

• Supporting research performing small and medium-sized enterprises

(Rapporteur: M. Ransdorf)

European Metrology Programme

(Rapporteur: N. Tzavela)

NEWS FROM THE AGENCIES

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (<u>ACER</u>)

ACER calls for improvements in the Network Code on Forward Capacity Allocation. <u>More</u>

The Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC)

BEREC elects its Board for 2014, and adopts its work programme for 2014. More

The European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA)

New report with check list of recommendations to the electronic communications sector on how to withstand and act efficiently after power cuts, calling for increased exchange on situational awareness. More

• Single global market-based measure to international aviation emissions - 23/01

Amendments deadline:

The nuclear safety of nuclear installations
 27/01(tbc)

COMING SOON

Upcoming Report votes:

- Copernicus programme (consolidated text) 23/01
- Innovative Medicines Initiative 2 Joint Undertaking – 23/01
- Bio-Based Industries Joint Undertaking 23/01
- ECSEL Joint Undertaking 23/01
- Clean Sky 2 Joint Undertaking 23/01
- Fuel Cells and Hydrogen 2 Joint Undertaking – 23/01
- SESAR Joint Undertaking until 2024 23/01
- Supporting research performing small and medium-sized enterprises – 23/01
- European Metrology Programme 23/01
- Clinical Trials Partnership Programme 23/01
- Active and Assisted Living 23/01

Upcoming Opinion votes:

 Indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts-23/01



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