



EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

*Committee on Employment and Social Affairs*

2014 - 2019

## **EMPL COORDINATORS' MEETING**

**Monday, 30 March 2015, 17.00 - 18.30**  
**Room 6B54 (in camera), Paul-Henri Spaak building, Brussels**

### **AGENDA**

15.4.2015

*Revised version - changes appear in yellow*

The meeting started at 17.03 hrs and closed at 18.38 hrs. In the Chair: Ms Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair, Acting Chair in the absence of Mr Thomas Händel.

#### Present

EPP	Mr Jeroen Lenaers, representative of the Coordinator
S&D	Ms Jutta Steinruck, Coordinator
ECR	Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator
ALDE	Ms Marian Harkin, Coordinator
GUE/NGL	Ms Inês Zuber, Co-Coordinator
GUE/NGL	Ms Rina Ronja Kari, Co-Coordinator
Greens/EFA	Ms Karima Delli, representative of the Coordinator
EFDD	Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator

#### Apologies

EPP	Mr David Casa, Coordinator
Greens/EFA	Ms Jean Lambert, Coordinator

#### Also present

Ms Agnes Jongerius, Vice-Chair

## **1. Chair's announcements**

### **1.1 Interpretation**

Interpretation was available in German, English and Italian.

### **1.2 Unused interpretation at shadows meetings**

The Chair reminded the Coordinators that Members who requested interpretation and could not be present must notify the Secretariat as soon as possible in order to cancel unneeded interpretation.

- Workshop on The impact of the crisis on skills shortages on 23 March: Spanish and Polish interpretation was requested but was not used
- EFSI Shadow Rapporteurs' meeting on 26 March: French interpretation was requested but was not used.

### **1.3 State of play related to EMPL and FEMM INI's on (Social/Female) Entrepreneurship**

#### **Decision:**

*The Coordinators agreed to send a joint EMPL-FEMM letter to the CCC-secretariat about the agreement between the two committees about the respective INIs; according to which the title of the FEMM report will be changed to "External factors that represent hurdles to female entrepreneurship".*

### **1.4 Structured dialogue 2015 - invitation to Commissioner Thyssen**

#### **Decision:**

*The Chair will invite the Commissioner to a suitable EMPL meeting in May.*

### **1.5 Opinion to the ECON initiative report on *Bridging the investment gap in the EU for sustainable growth and jobs***

#### **Decision:**

*Since ECON will not draw up the report to which the EMPL opinion would have been drafted, 1.5 points were returned to the Greens/EFA Group.*

### **1.6 "ESF amending Regulation proposing increased YEI pre-financing" - provisional Coordinators agreement on how to proceed if the report is adopted without amendments.**

#### **Decision:**

*Coordinators agreed on the principle that, if the report is adopted without amendments:*

- a) a letter by the EMPL Chair is sent to the Commission about a swift pay-out of the pre-financing, draft to be approved by EMPL Coordinators in a written procedure,*
- b) an Oral Question to the Council about the need for MS to deliver on YEI is drawn up, wording to be decided in a follow-up written procedure among Coordinators, adoption if feasible right after the vote on the report or at the time of STR LEX signing.*

## 2. Allocation of reports and opinions

### Reports

*None.*

### Opinions

#### 2.1 Market access to port services and financial transparency of ports (ZP)

EMPL/8/00169

\*\*\*I 2013/0157(COD) COM(2013)0296 – C7-0144/2013

**Responsible:** TRAN (Rapp: Knut Fleckenstein (S&D)) **Opinion:** EMPL

**Decision:** *Rapporteur to be nominated by the GUE/NGL Group.*

#### 2.2 The EU role in the framework of international financial, monetary and regulatory institutions and bodies (AC)

EMPL/8/02962

2015/2060(INI)

**Responsible:** ECON (Rapp: Sylvie Goulard (ALDE)) **Opinion:** EMPL, AFCO

**Decision:** *No opinion.*

### Documents received for information

#### 2.3 Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Results of the public consultation on the **Europe 2020 strategy** for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth (MK)

COM(2015)0100

**Responsible:** EMPL

**Decision:**

*Coordinators noted that the Commission document can be used as an input for the hearing on the revision of the Europe 2020 strategy in June.*

*Coordinators took the following operational decisions in relation to that hearing:*

- *The date for the hearing was fixed for Monday, 15 June 2015, 15:00 - 17:30.*
- *The deadline for proposing names of experts (up to 6 experts with an entitlement to claim travel expenses) was set for 17 April 2015, 13:00 hrs.*
- *The final decision on the experts to be invited will be taken at the next Coordinators' meeting.*

*Coordinators noted that following the hearing and closer to the launch of the revision proposals by the Commission, next steps could be considered (for information: ECON Coordinators have decided not to act on the Commission Communication).*

**3. STOA proposals to be supported by EMPL – follow-up to the written procedure (CO)**

*Annex to this point included: STOA proposals from Danuta Jazłowiecka and Heinz K. Becker*

**Decision**

***The Coordinators***

- ***Decided to support the modified proposal from Danuta Jazłowiecka entitled "Problems with flexicurity in employment in the EU; analysis of new forms of employment and their influence on the labour market".***
- ***Decided to support the proposal from Heinz K. Becker entitled: "Impact of digitalisation on the labour market".***

#### **4. EMPL public hearings in the second half of 2015 (ZP)**

*Annex to this point included: compiled list of proposals (including the shortlist agreed on 24 September and the new proposals)*

##### **Decision**

##### ***The Coordinators:***

- *Held an exchange of views,*
- *Noted that a political majority agreed that short-lists of topics for hearings should remain open to possible additions taking account of new developments;*
- *Agreed that a better attendance at hearings should be ensured;*
- *Decided to request authorisations for the following public hearings to be organised in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2015 in the following order:*
  1. *Re-shoring Europe - bringing jobs back to Europe;*
  2. *Member States' active labour market policies - good practices with regard to the 3 parts of the Active Inclusion Strategy (adequate income, labour market activation, high-quality public services).*

## 5. EMPL delegations in the second half of 2015 (ZP)

In view of the decision on the committee delegations to be organised in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2015 (**July-December**), committees are requested to submit requests for such visits until 10 April 2015 at the latest.

### Decision

#### *The Coordinators*

- *Held an exchange of views.*
- *Noted that that delegations can only take place in turquoise weeks, viz*
  - *20-24 July*
  - *24-25 September*
  - *3-6 November*
- *Confirmed the non-formal delegation to ECB (Frankfurt), on a Monday of a Strasbourg session – 7 September 2015.*
- *Decided to request authorisation for the following delegation visits in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2015:*
  - *EU-OSHA (Bilbao) - 3 places outside quota: 24-25 September*
  - *Portugal: 3-6 November (up to three days)*
  - *ILO, Geneva - 325<sup>th</sup> session of the ILO Governing Body (29 October - 12 November 2015): 3-6 November (one-day visit);*
  - *The Netherlands (upcoming Council Presidency visit): 3-6 November (exact date to be decided).*



## 6. Pilot projects and preparatory actions (PPs and PAs) in the 2016 budget (ZP)

*Annex to this point included:*

- *list of compiled proposals for PPs and PAs reflecting provisional, informal comments from DG EMPL (based on staff-level discussions)*
- *BUDG Working Document on pilot projects and preparatory actions in budget 2015 and 2016*
- *First Commission interim report on the implementation of Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions 2015 (long document)*

### **Decision:**

#### ***Coordinators***

- ***Agreed that the aim should be to propose no more than 3 pilot projects and 2 preparatory actions and instructed the secretariat to prepare a concise list of proposals containing the reflections of DG EMPL;***
- *decided to invite the Commission to present the state-of-play on PPs and PAs at an open Coordinators' meeting;*
- *decided to take a final decision on PPs and PAs after the presentation of the Commission.*

## 7. EMPL participation at the Tripartite Social Summit, 19 March 2015 (CO)

*Annex to this point included: Letter to President Schulz; letter to EMPL Chair, agenda, list of participants*

### **Decision:**

#### *The Coordinators:*

- *Heard a short debriefing from Ms Jongerius on the Tripartite Summit;*
- *Mandated the Chair to write to President Schulz, asking him to write to Presidents Juncker, Tusk and Latvian Presidency to*
  - *thank for the invitation while raising the fact that the invitation was sent very late,*
  - *and to express the wish that - in line with the EP resolution of 15 April 2014-<sup>1</sup> the EMPL Chair be invited on a permanent basis.*

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<sup>1</sup> "The Summit shall consist of the President of the European Council, the Council Presidency and the two subsequent presidencies, the Commission and the social partners, represented at the highest level. The ministers from those three presidencies and the Commissioner responsible for employment and social affairs shall also be present. Depending on the agenda, other ministers from these three presidencies, other Commissioners *and the Chair of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs of the European Parliament* may also be invited to take part."

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=TA&language=EN&reference=P7-TA-2014-0377>

## **8. Aviation and road transport issues (MK)**

*Annex to this point included: The reply of Commissioners Bulc and Thyssen*

### **Decision:**

#### ***The Coordinators:***

- ***Decided to invite the following stakeholders to the exchange of views on employment in the European aviation to be held at the EMPL meeting on 7 May 2015 at 15:00 hrs:***
  - ***1 representative of the employers Association of European Airlines***  
<http://www.aea.be/>
  - ***1 representative of the European Transport Workers' Federation - ETF (a representative of cabin crews)***
  - ***1 representative of the European Cockpit Association, ECA***
  - ***Professor Peter Turnbull (Cardiff University), author of specialised studies for ETF and***
  - ***Professor Jorens author of the study on "atypical employment in Aviation"***
- ***Instructed the secretariat, acting under the authority of the Chair, to make sufficient time for the exchange of views while respecting the time needs of other items with urgent mandatory timelines.***

**9. Nomination of an EMPL Member to the Working Group on Legal questions related to the development of Robotics and artificial intelligence set up by JURI (CO)**

*Annex to this point included: Invitation letter from the JURI Chair*

**Decision:**

***The Coordinators:***

- ***took note of JURI proposal and decided that EMPL would be represented in the Working Group;***
- ***set a deadline for political groups to send the names of proposed Members to the secretariat until 1 April, end of business.<sup>2</sup>***

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<sup>2</sup> As mentioned during the meeting, the S&D candidate is Mr Brando Benifei.

**10. Discussions with relevant European organizations – proposal from Danuta Jazłowiecka**

*Annex to this point included Ms Jazłowiecka's letter to the Chair with the proposal*

**Decision:**

*This item was postponed.*

**11. Sign language interpretation for public hearings (CO)**

**Decision:**

*Coordinators mandated the Chair to write a letter to the Secretary General asking for explanations as to why sign interpretation could not be provided for the hearing.*

12. **Proposal for a study from DG IPOL to examine the effects of the TTIP on employment and social standards (ALDE Group)**

**Decision:**

***The Coordinators:***

- ***Heard the representative of the Policy Department;***
- ***Took a decision of principle to have a study on the effects of the TTIP on employment and social standards drawn up;***
- ***Invited the rapporteur, together with the shadow rapporteurs and the political groups, to draw up more detailed specifications in close cooperation with the Policy Department.***

### **13. Motions for Resolution<sup>3</sup> - decisions on procedure (MM)**

*Annexes: texts of the motions*

#### **13.1 B8 0201/2015- Motion for a European Parliament resolution on support measures in response to the record level of unemployment in Italy by Mara Bizzotto**

***Decision:*** *Not to follow up this motion for a resolution since unemployment has already been the object of recent EP resolutions and debates, such as European Parliament resolution of 11 March 2015 on European Semester for economic policy coordination: Employment and Social Aspects in the Annual Growth Survey 2015 (2014/2222(INI)). Furthermore, the EMPL INI on Social entrepreneurship and social innovation in combatting unemployment (rapp: Lope Fontagné) will also address unemployment.*

#### **13.2 B8 0279/2015 - Motion for a European Parliament resolution on dismantling residential institutions for children by Ivan Jakov i**

***Decision:*** *No action.*

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<sup>3</sup> Rule 133 : Motions for resolutions

1. Any Member may table a motion for a resolution on a matter falling within the spheres of activity of the European Union. The motion may not comprise more than 200 words.

2. The committee responsible shall decide what procedure is to be adopted.

It may combine the motion for a resolution with other motions for resolutions or reports.

It may adopt an opinion, which may take the form of a letter.

It may decide to draw up a report under Rule 52.

3. The authors of a motion for a resolution shall be informed of the decisions of the committee and of the Conference of Presidents.

4. The report shall contain the text of the motion for a resolution.

5. Opinions in the form of a letter addressed to other institutions of the European Union shall be forwarded by the President.

6. The author or authors of a motion for a resolution tabled under Rule 123(2), 128(5) or 135(2) shall be entitled to withdraw it before the final vote.

7. A motion for a resolution tabled in accordance with paragraph 1 may be withdrawn by its author, authors or first signatory before the committee responsible has decided, in accordance with paragraph 2, to draw up a report on it.

Once the motion has been thus taken over by the committee, only the committee shall be empowered to withdraw it up until the opening of the final vote.

8. A withdrawn motion for a resolution may be taken over and retabled immediately by a group, a committee or the same number of Members as is entitled to table it.

Committees have a duty to ensure that motions for resolutions tabled under this Rule which meet the requirements laid down are followed up and duly referred to in the resulting documents.



**14. Petitions (MM)**

**14.1 Petition 0196/2014 by Maria Dragut (Romanian), on personal employment problems**

***Decision: No action.***

**14.2 Petition 0326/2014 by Harald Schmutzler (Austrian), on the social chapter**

***Decision: No action.***

**14.3 Petition 0532/2014 by Claudio Antoni Ferranti (Italian), on the employment of “socially useful workers” (known as LSU) by the Sicilian regional authorities**

***Decision: No action.***

**14.4 Petition 2755/2013 by K.D. (German), on the pan-European prohibition of part-time employment and employee lending**

***Decision: No action.***

## 15. Points for information

### 15.1 Timetables

#### Reports:

**Commission Communication on a Green Employment Initiative: Tapping into the job creation potential of the green economy - COM(2014)0446 (Jean Lambert) **REVISED****

Approved by EMPL Coordinators	23 October 2014
Send text to Translation	3 March 2015
Consideration of draft report	24 March 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b>16 April 2015, noon</b>
Send amendments to translation	17 April 2015
Consideration of AMs tabled	28 May 2015
Shadow Rapporteurs' meeting to discuss compromise amendments	Weeks 19-20, 2015
Vote in EMPL	16 June 2015
Vote in ENVI	6-7 May 2015
Vote in Plenary (tentative)	July 2015

**Report on the implementation, results and overall assessment of the 2012 European Year for Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations (Eduard Kukan)**

Exchange of views in Committee (with working document)	16 April 2015
Send text to translation	10 March 2015
Consideration of draft Report	28 May 2015
Send text to Translation	5 May 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b>3 June 2015</b>
Send amendments to translation	4 June 2015
Consideration of AMs tabled	23 June 2015
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>15-16 July 2015</b>
Plenary	September 2015 (tbc)

**Reducing inequalities with a special focus on child poverty (Ines Zuber)**

Exchange of views with stakeholders	1 April 2015
Consideration of draft Report	7 May 2015
Send text to Translation	16 April 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b>13 May 2015, noon</b>
Send amendments to translation	18 May 2015
Shadow meeting	Week 24
Consideration of AMs tabled	15-16 June 2015
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>15-16 July 2015</b>
Vote plenary	tbc

**Report on the Communication from the Commission on an EU Strategic Framework on Health and Safety at Work – COM (2014) 332 (Ole Christensen)**

Send text to Translation	3 June 2015
Consideration of draft report & exchange of views	23 June 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b><i>30 June 2015, noon</i></b>
Consideration of AMs tabled	15 September 2015
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>23 September 2015</b>
Plenary estimate:	October II

**Social entrepreneurship and social innovation in combatting unemployment" (Verónica Lope Fontagné).**

Decision by coordinators	23 October 2014
Send text to Translation	14 April 2015
Consideration of draft report	7 May 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b><i>21 May 2015, noon</i></b>
Consideration of AMs tabled	15-16 June 2015
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>15-16 July 2015</b>

**Implementation of the European Progress Microfinance Facility (Sven Schulze)**

Decision by coordinators	December 2014
Exchange of views with stakeholders	7 May 2015
Send PR to translation	22 May 2015
Consideration of draft report	15-16 June 2015
<b><i>Deadline for AMs</i></b>	<b><i>23 June 2015, 12.00</i></b>
Consideration of AMs	15-16 July 2015
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings	Weeks 37-38-39-40
Deadline for finalisation of compromises (with indication of political support)	7 October 2015
Send pre-final voting list	9 October 2015
Deadline for comments (oral AMs, request of split votes) to the pre-final voting list	12 October 2015, 16.00
Send final voting list	12 October 2015
<b>Adoption in EMPL</b>	<b>13 October</b>
Plenary	tbc

**Opinions:**

**Proposal for a Directive on single member private limited liability companies (SUP) (2014/0120(COD) (Jutta Steinruck) (Revised)**

Draft sent to Translation	13 March 2015
Consideration of draft opinion	1 April 2015
<b><i>Deadline for tabling amendments</i></b>	<b><i>4 May 2015, noon</i></b>
Consideration of AMs tabled (tbc)	<b>28 May 2015</b>
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings in view of compromises	<b>Weeks 23/24</b>
Deadline for finalisation and indication of political support of negotiated compromises	<b>16 June 2015</b>

(includes indication of political support)	
Pre-final voting list to be sent out	17 June 2015
Deadline for comments (oral AMs, request of split votes/separate votes) to the pre-final voting list	22 June 2015, 16h00
Sending out of final voting list	22 June
<b>Vote in EMPL</b>	<b>23 June 2015</b>
Adoption in JURI	15 September 2015

#### Urban dimension of EU policies 2014/2213(INI) (Evelyn Regner) **REVISED**

Decision by coordinators for an opinion	18 December 2014
Deadline to send draft opinion to translation	3 February 2015
Presentation and consideration of draft opinion in committee	26 February
<b>Deadline for tabling amendments</b>	<b>6 March 2015, noon</b>
Shadow rapporteurs' meeting(s) in view of compromises	Weeks 13-18
Deadline for finalisation of negotiated compromises (includes indication of political support)	29 April cob
Pre-final voting list to be sent out	4 May
Deadline for comments (oral AMs, request of split votes/ separate votes) to the pre-final voting list	6 May, 16h00
Sending out of final voting list	6 May, after 16h00 asap
<b>Adoption in EMPL</b>	<b>7 May</b>
Adoption of draft report in REGI	17 June
Plenary estimate	July/September

#### Cohesion policy and marginalised communities (Ádám Kósa)

Consideration of draft Opinion	7 May 2015
Send text to Translation	16 April 2015
<b>Deadline for tabling amendments</b>	<b>13 May 2015</b>
Send amendments to translation	18 May 2015
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>23 June 2015</b>
Vote lead committee (REGI)	13-14 July 2015
Vote plenary	

#### Opinion on Promoting Youth Entrepreneurship through education and training (2015/2006(INI) (Jana Žitánská)

Send draft opinion to translation	25 March 2015
Consideration of draft opinion	16 April 2015
<b>Deadline for tabling amendments</b>	<b>6 May 2015</b>
Consideration of AMs tabled (tbc)	28 May 2015
Shadow Rapporteurs meetings to present compromise amendments	Week 23/24

Deadline for feedback for finalising compromise amendments	16 June 2015
Pre- final voting list including finalised compromises	17 June 2015
Deadline for comments (split votes, separate votes) to the pre-final voting list	22 June 2015, 16.00
Final voting list	22 June 2015
<b>Vote in EMPL</b>	<b>23 June 2015</b>
Vote in CULT	14 July 2015

### **Untapping the potential of Research and Innovation in the Blue Economy to create Jobs and Growth (Laura Agea)**

Consideration draft Opinion	16 April
Send text to TO/Translation	26 March
<b><i>Deadline for tabling AMs</i></b>	<b><i>22 April</i></b>
Send amendments to translation	23 April
<b>Vote EMPL</b>	<b>28 May</b>
Vote lead committee ITRE	16 June 2015
Vote plenary	

### **EEA-Switzerland: Obstacles with regard to the full implementation of the internal market" (Anne Sander)**

Deadline to send draft opinion to translation	16 April 2015
Presentation and consideration of draft opinion in Committee	7 May
<b><i>Deadline for tabling AMs</i></b>	<b><i>12 May, 12h00</i></b>
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings in view of compromises	Weeks 23, 24, 25
Deadline for finalisation of negotiated compromises (includes indication of political support)	18 June, 12h00
Pre-final voting list to be sent out	19 June
Deadline for comments (oral AMs, requests for split votes / separate votes) to the pre-final voting list	22 June, 16h00
<b>Adoption EMPL</b>	<b>23 June</b>
Adoption Lead Committee IMCO	16 July

### **15.2 Report of the Working Group of political groups on trilogues and first-reading agreements**

The report of the Working Group and a letter from the Chair of the CCC to President Schulz on this matter was annexed to these notes, amongst the documents for information.

### **15.3 Appointment of the three non-voting experts to the ETF Governing Board – letter from President Schulz to President Juncker and President Juncker's reply**

The letters were annexed to these notes, amongst the documents for information.

**16. Date of next Coordinators' meeting**

Thursday, 30 April, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., Strasbourg