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Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

A WORD FROM THE CHAIR

This month ITRE will continue its legislative work on a number of important files. The Committee will be voting on the Decision establishing a programme on interoperability

solutions for European public administrations, businesses and citizens (ISA2). We will also adopt two Own-Initiative reports, one on European Family Businesses and the other on Blue Economy.

On top of that ITRE Members are to consider two draft reports. The first one is an opinion under Rule 54 on the new international climate agreement in Paris. The second is a report on the development of sustainable European Industry of base metals.

Then, as part of its involvement in the Budgetary procedure, the Committee will hold an important exchange of views with Mr José Manuel Fernandes, EP General Rapporteur for the 2016 budget.

This month's meeting will also include discussions with some prominent guests: ACER Director Alberto Pototschnig and the Chairman of the Board of Regulators, Lord Mogg, who will present a first outline of the Agency's draft work programme for 2016. Finally, we will host Jean-Pierre Bourguignon, President of the European Research Council (ERC) on the occasion of the ERC signing its 5000th grant agreement.

[Jerzy Buzek](#)

MEETING OF 16 JUNE 2015**Towards a new international climate agreement in Paris**

(Rapporteur: [Sean Kelly](#))

[Consideration of a draft opinion](#)



This year the Commission has issued a Communication on which the European Parliament will react in the form of an own initiative report from the Committee on the

Environment, Public Health and Food Safety. This approach differs from the procedure based on oral questions. The ITRE Committee is involved in the form of an opinion with enhanced cooperation under Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure. The Commission proposal deals for an important part with climate diplomacy.

The draft opinion from the Rapporteur, Mr Kelly, addresses a number of subjects such as growth, jobs, competitiveness, clean energy, protection of property rights, the bio-sector, carbon leakage etc. The rapporteur stresses that should other major competitors of the EU's energy-intensive industries fail to make similar commitments on GHG reductions, carbon leakage provisions will be maintained in the long term and strengthened where necessary; he considers it vital that sustainable European agribusiness is protected against carbon leakage. Maintaining a level playing field for EU industry and the energy sector, to promote links between the EU ETS and other emission trading systems, with the aim of creating a future world emissions trading market to significantly reduce global emissions and increase industrial competitiveness are very important. A global phase-out of environmentally and economically harmful subsidies is necessary.

Draft report also calls on the US and China to play a more significant global climate role.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Deadline amendments: 30 June 2015, 12.00

Vote in ITRE: 3 September 2015

Developing a sustainable European Industry of base metals

(Rapporteur: [Edouard Martin](#))

[Consideration of a draft report](#)



Mr Martin will present his draft report on developing a sustainable European industry of base metals.

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The draft report addresses the present situation in Europe, where there is an accentuated loss of competitiveness of several basic materials industries such as steel, aluminium, non-ferrous metals industries. The EU needs therefore to help building an efficient frame for these sectors in order to re-establish their economic potential. The draft ITRE report will focus on important issues in this context such as climate change, border adjustment measures, emissions policy, energy policy, transparency and merger acquisitions.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**Deadline amendments: 3 July 2015, 12.00**

Consideration of amendments: 3 September 2015

Vote in ITRE: 22 September 2015

Vote in Plenary: October II 2015

**ISA2**(Rapporteur: [Carlos Zorrinho](#))[Adoption of a draft report](#)

The Committee will vote on the draft report on the Commission proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a programme on interoperability solutions for European public administrations, businesses and citizens.

In ITRE, 138 amendments were tabled to the Commission proposal. 22 Compromise Amendments have been proposed by the Rapporteur.

In this legislative procedure LIBE and IMCO are associate committees. LIBE has exclusive competences regarding data protection issues. IMCO has provided an opinion parts of which have been included in the Compromise Amendments.

The draft report and most of the amendments aim to clarify some aspects of the Decision and reinforce the businesses and citizens dimensions.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in Plenary: September 2015

Family businesses in Europe(Rapporteur - [Angelika Niebler](#))[Consideration of a draft report](#)

The Committee will vote on the draft report on family business in Europe.

In total 210 amendments were tabled to the draft report of the rapporteur and 19 compromise amendments have been proposed by the rapporteur ahead of the vote.

The EMPL and FEMM committees have provided their opinions.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in Plenary: September 2015

Blue Economy: realising the potential of seas and oceans for jobs & growth(Rapporteur: [João Ferreira](#))[Adoption of a draft report](#)

The Committee will vote on the draft report on Blue Economy.

In total 223 amendments were tabled to the draft report of the rapporteur and 29 compromise amendments have been proposed by the rapporteur ahead of the vote.

The EMPL and PECH committees have provided their opinions.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Vote in Plenary: September 2015

2016 Budget – Mandate for the Trialogue(Draftsperson: [Anneleen Van Bossuyt](#))[Adoption of a draft opinion](#)

The Committee will vote on its opinion on mandate for the trialogue for 2016 EU budget. The aim of this opinion on the 2016

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budget is to indicate ITRE priorities in the 2016 budget ahead the adoption of Council position.

In total 55 amendments were tabled to the draft opinion and 10 compromise amendments have been proposed by the draftsman.

ITRE priorities in the 2016 Budget, Exchange of views with José Manuel Fernandes, General Rapporteur for the 2016 Budget

Mr José Manuel Fernandes, EP General Rapporteur for the 2016 budget, will visit the ITRE Committee to present his draft report on a mandate for the trilogue, aimed at being the first assessment of the Commission's proposal by Parliament and at feeding into the trilogue to be held on 14 July 2015 in the Council.

The report will be based on the EP political priorities in 2016 budget as expressed in the EP resolution of 11 March 2015 on general guidelines for the preparation of the 2016 budget. The visit of Mr Fernandes to the ITRE Committee aims at briefing the ITRE Members about main features of the 2016 draft budget and at having an exchange of views with ITRE Members on the main budgetary priorities in 2016 budget.

ACER Draft 2016 Work Programme Outline, Exchange of views with Alberto Pototschnig, Director of ACER

ACER Director Alberto Pototschnig and the Chairman of the Board of Regulators, Lord Mogg will present to the ITRE Committee a first outline of the Agency's draft work programme for 2016. They will suggest focusing on four main areas, namely the post 2014 completion of the internal energy market, the infrastructure challenge, the monitoring of wholesale energy markets and other longer-term regulatory challenges. The debate in ITRE will enable the Agency to listen to the views expressed by Members and take them into account in the preparation of the draft work

programme, which must be submitted to Board of Regulators, to the European Parliament and to the Commission by 30 June. Subsequently, the official 2016 work programme will be adopted until 30 September by the Agency's Administrative Board.

Horizon 2020, Exchange of views with Jean-Pierre Bourguignon, President of the European Research Council

On 16 June Jean-Pierre Bourguignon, President of the European Research Council (ERC) will visit the ITRE Committee on the occasion of the ERC signing its 5000th grant agreement.

President Bourguignon will be accompanied by ERC grantees who will share their experiences of carrying out research with the financing of the ERC.

An [ERC exhibition](#) in the European Parliament Forum Area will present the results and discoveries of ERC funded research projects.

Set up in 2007 by the EU, the ERC is the first European funding organisation for excellent frontier research. With a budget of over 13 billion euros European Research Council is the largest single part of the EU's Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation.

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COMING SOON**Upcoming oral question and motion for resolution vote**

- Towards a thriving data-driven economy - *16/06*

Amendments deadlines:

- Towards new international climate agreement in Paris - *30/06*
- Developing a sustainable European Industry of base metals - *3/07*

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- 23 June 2015 in Brussels
- 15-16 July 2015 in Brussels