The meeting opened at 10.09 on Monday, 11 October 2021, with Sabine Verheyen (Chair) presiding.

1. Adoption of agenda

   Decision: The draft agenda was adopted in the form shown in these minutes.

2. Approval of minutes of meetings

   • 31 August 2021

   Decision: The minutes were approved

3. Chair’s announcements

   The Chair announced that the Coordinators’ decisions of 29 September 2021, have been formally approved, as no objections were raised by the deadline of 4 October. Their decisions are recorded in the annex of these minutes.

   The Chair explained the procedure of the remote voting, stated the quorum and opened the remote voting procedure on the amendments.

   **Voting was open from 10.15 until 11.45**

   *** Remote voting time ***

   *All Members taking part in the vote (either present in committee meeting room or via remote participation) have voted by e-mail using printed ballot paper voting lists.*
4. **The European Education Area: a shared holistic approach**

CULT/9/04668
2020/2243(INI)

**Rapporteur:**
Michaela Šojdrová (PPE)  
PR – PE680.925v01-00
AM – PE693.784v01-00

**Responsible:**
CULT*

**Opinions:**
EMPL*  
Ilana Cicurel (Renew)  
AD – PE689.863v02-00
AM – PE692.688v01-00

- Adoption of draft report

**Decision:**
The draft report was adopted with amendments: 24 in favour, 0 against and 4 abstentions  
68 adopted amendments  
9 rejected amendments  
77 presented

***End of remote voting time***

5. **Exchange of views on the European Year of Youth 2022**

**Speakers:** Sabine Verheyen, Themis Christophidou (EC/DG EAC), Simon Lindkaer Andersen, (European Youth Forum), Inge Brees (European Youth Forum), Michaela Šojdrová, Petra Kammerevert, Laurence Farreng, Dace Melbārde, Milan Zver, Ilana Cicurel, Lucia Ďuriš Nicholsonová, Andrey Slabakov and Anne Karjalainen (CoR/SEDEC)

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The meeting adjourned at 11.47 and resumed at 14:26 with Sabine Verheyen (Chair) presiding.

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6. **Chair’s announcements**

The Chair announced the results of the votes on the amendments, stated the quorum and opened the remote voting procedure on the final vote.

*Voting was open from 14.30 until 15.30*

*Final votes by roll call*

7. **Exchange of views with the World Anti-Doping Agency**
Speakers: Sabine Verheyen, Olivier Niggli (WADA), Witold Banka (WADA), Tomasz Frankowski, Petra Kammerevert, Laurence Farreng, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Milan Zver and Florencia Van Houdt (EC/DG EAC)

8. Any other business

9. Next meetings
   • 25-26 October 2021 (Brussels)
   • 15 November 2021 (Brussels)

The meeting closed at 15:40

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Results of roll-call votes

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+ : in favour
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0 : abstention
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   (2020/2243(INI)) - Michaela Šojdrová

1.1. Final vote

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1. Points system for appointing rapporteurs for reports and opinions

The updated points table will be included in the next coordinators’ note.

2. Chair’s announcements

In annex:  Draft programme_Joint AFET-CULT public hearing: Culture in the EU’s external relations

Draft programme_Public hearing on the Inclusion measures within the Erasmus+ Programme 2014-2020

Email from Swiss mission to the EU

The Coordinators:

- heard the Chair inform Members about the draft programme of the joint AFET-CULT public hearing on Culture in the EU’s external relations, scheduled to take place on 14 October 2021;

- heard the Chair inform Members about the draft programme of the CULT public hearing on Inclusion measures within the Erasmus+ Programme 2014-2020, scheduled to take place on 26 October 2021;

- heard the Chair inform Members about the current CULT own-initiative reports, and approved the deadline of 15 October 2021, 12:00, for political groups to submit proposals for new CULT own-initiative reports (including a comprehensive motivation), to be sent by email to the CULT Secretariat;

- heard the Chair inform Members about the forthcoming Policy Department Research Programme for 2022, and approved the deadline of 11 October 2021, 12:00, for political groups to submit proposals for a maximum of 2 new Policy Department studies (including a comprehensive motivation), to be sent by email to the CULT Secretariat (cult-secretariat@europarl.europa.eu) and the Policy Department (poldep-cohesion@europarl.europa.eu);

- heard the Chair inform Members about a request from the Swiss National Council for a meeting with CULT Members on 9 November 2021;

- heard the Chair recall the current rules for Shadows’ meetings; reiterated that: 1) in line with the CULT Committee’s and the EP's established practice, Shadows’ meetings are platforms for exchange between the Rapporteur and Shadows and that the replacement of an absent Shadow at such a meeting is exclusively possible by another CULT Member, and that 2) staff members are only allowed to take the floor on an exceptional basis in such meetings, notably to read out a prepared statement of their respective Shadow, or to reply to specific questions addressed to them by the Rapporteur chairing the meeting;

3. Referrals
3.1. Three proposals for a Council decision (NLE procedures)

1. Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Creative Europe Programme)
   COM(2021)0471  2021/0265(NLE)
   Main committee: CULT / Committees for opinion: ITRE, JURI

2. Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (European Solidarity Corps programme)
   COM(2021)0466  2021/0260(NLE)
   Main committee: CULT / Committees for opinion: EMPL

3. Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Erasmus+)
   COM(2021)0474  2021/0268(NLE)
   Main committee: CULT

   AD: DCH

**Decision:**
- The Coordinators agreed to forward the proposals to the respective Standing Rapporteurs for information and with a view for the Standing Rapporteurs to suggest a potential follow-up, if required.
3.2. Proposal for a Council recommendation on blended learning for high quality and inclusive primary and secondary education

COM(2021)0455 SWD(2021)0219 2021/0255(NLE)

Main committee: CULT / Committees for opinion: EMPL

AD: DCH

**Decision:**

- The Coordinators decided for CULT not to take any formal action, but entrusted the Chair to send a letter to the European Commission and the Council, reiterating the existing definitions of different forms of learning in the Erasmus+ Programme and the EP’s understanding of “blended learning” as expressed in the currently ongoing own-initiative report on the European Education Area.

3.3. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - New European Bauhaus - Beautiful, Sustainable, Together

COM(2021)0573

Main committee: ITRE

Committees for opinion: CULT, ENVI, EMPL, ECON, REGI, IMCO, TRAN, FEMM

AD: MSZ

**Decision:**

- The Coordinators entrusted the Chair to liaise with the ITRE Committee with a view to drawing up a joint own-initiative report pursuant to Rule 58 of the Rules of Procedure.

4. European Year of Youth 2022

AD: SM

**Decision:**

- The Coordinators expressed their overall support for the European Year of Youth proposed by the President of the European Commission in her recent State of the Union address, yet regretting the timing of the year, which makes the adequate preparation and implementation of this initiative a challenge.
- The Coordinators declared their preparedness to consider applying a simplified procedure (Rule 52 of the EP’s Rules of Procedure) once the file will be officially referred to the CULT Committee.
5. INI report “Towards a European Digital Public Sphere” – state of play

AD: SB

Decision:
- The Coordinators decided to discontinue the ongoing CULT own-initiative report “Towards a European Digital Public Sphere” and inform the Conference of Committee Chairs accordingly, while reserving the possibility for resuming this report at a later stage.

6. Letter to Polish Minister of Education and Science

In annex: Draft letter_Polish Minister of Education and Science_response to reply letter

AD: MJP

Decision:
- The Coordinators endorsed the final draft of the response letter to the Polish Minister of Education and Sciences by a broad majority.
- The Coordinators approved the deadline of 8 October 2021, 12:00, for all interested CULT Members, including substitutes, to co-sign the letter.

7. Programme of committee travel activities in 2022

AD: MJP

Decision:
- The Coordinators endorsed the Chair’s proposal for CULT Committee travel activities in 2022 as follows:
  - Esch sur Alzette, Luxembourg (21-23 February 2022)
  - Kaunas, Lithuania (18-20 July 2022)
  - Novi Sad, Serbia (19-21 September 2022)
  - Budapest, Hungary (2-4 November 2022)

8. Programme of public hearings in the first half of 2022

AD: MJP
Decision:

- The Coordinators decided **not** to take a decision on CULT public hearings at this stage, but rather at a later stage on an ad-hoc basis.

9. Programme of activities with National Parliaments in the first half of 2022

AD: MJP

Decision:

- The Coordinators decided **not** to organise any interparliamentary activities in the first half of 2022.

10. Ad-hoc delegation to IGF in Katowice – 6-10 December 2021

In annex: Draft programme_IGF ad-hoc delegation

AD: FA

Decision:

- The Coordinators took note of the planning for the IGF 2021 and agreed to encourage interested Members to inform their respective group leaders of their intent to participate.

11. Petition for opinion – Petition 0884/2020 by Manuel Antonio Zárate Martín (Spanish), on behalf of the civic platform ‘Toledo, Sociedad, Patrimonio y Cultura’ (Toledo, Society, Heritage and Culture), on the deterioration of the Toledo archaeological and landscape protection area in Vega Baja

In annex: Petition No. 0884/2020

D(2021)XXXX-CULT letter to PETI-Opinion n. 0884/2020

AD: MSZ

Decision:

- The Coordinators endorsed the draft letter to be sent to the PETI Committee as proposed by the Chair.

12. Miscellaneous reports and communications, letters, follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament’s positions
The Coordinators took note of the following miscellaneous reports and communications received for information, as well as letters sent by the Chair and follow-ups by the European Commission to the Parliament’s positions, deciding not to take any action or do a follow-up at this stage.

Miscellaneous reports and communications

In annex:

1. A (2021)3325_Commission reply to EP resolution on Challenges of sports events organisers in digital environment

2. D(2021)305190_INGE-CULT hearing_Role of education, media and culture

3. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - “Fit for 55”: delivering the EU’s 2030 Climate Target on the way to climate neutrality COM(2021)0550

Main committee: ENVI
Committees for opinion: AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, CONT, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN, REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

4. Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Horizon Europe) COM(2021)0469

Main committee: ITRE
Committees for opinion: ENVI, TRAN, REGI, AGRI, CULT


Main committee: LIBE
Committees for opinion: AFET, CONT, JURI, CULT, AFCO, PETI


7. Proposal for a Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the
EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Digital Europe Programme)
COM(2021)0475 2021/0269(NLE)

Main committee: ITRE
Committees for opinion: CULT

8. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - Ex Post evaluation of the 2019 European Capitals of Culture (Plovdiv and Matera) & Commission Working Document
COM(2021)0493 SWD(2021)0232

9. Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament - Summary of the annual implementation reports for the operational programmes co-financed by the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived in 2019
COM(2021)0494

COM(2021)0544 SWD(2021)0240

11. Joint communication to the European Parliament and the Council - The EU strategy for cooperation in the Indo-Pacific
JOIN(2021)0024

Main committee: AFET
Committees for opinion: INTA, DEVE, ENVI, ITRE, TRAN, PECH, LIBE, CULT

C(2021)6650

Main committee: LIBE
Committees for opinion: CULT, ITRE, FEMM, EMPL, JURI

CONS(2021)11237 CONS(2021)11238

CONS(2021)11258 CONS(2021)11259

CONS(2021)11241 CONS(2021)11242
Letters sent by the Chair on behalf of the CULT Committee and letters received

In annex:

1. D(2021)17589 Letter to Commissioner Gabriel European Gender Equality Week invitation
2. D(2021)102036 Letter to Commissioner Jourova Invitation to a CULT meeting in October 2021
3. Letter from the SG of the European Schools (with annex)
4. D(2021)16221 Verheyen Reply to WADA President
5. D(2021)18391 Verheyen to Gabriel ERA
6. D(2021)305768 Sassoli to Verheyen Joint AFET-CULT public hearing

Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament’s positions

In annex:

1. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's resolutions (non legislative) of the March I 2021 session - second part (FINAL VERSION)
2. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's resolutions (non legislative) of the March II 2021 session (FINAL VERSION)
3. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's resolutions (non legislative) of the April 2021 session – first part (FINAL VERSION)
4. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's positions (legislative) of the June I 2021 session (FINAL VERSION)
5. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's resolutions (non legislative) of the June I 2021 session (FINAL VERSION)
6. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's positions (legislative) of the June II 2021 session (FINAL VERSION)
7. Follow-up by the European Commission to the Parliament's positions (legislative) of the July 2021 session (FINAL VERSION)
13. Any other business

Decision:

- The Coordinators decided to postpone their deliberations on recent developments in the educational system in Cyprus (requested by GUE/NGL) and the situation of students in Belarus (requested by EPP) until their next meeting.