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On 29 January 2020, the European Commission's Work Programme 2020 was published. Under the second priority - 'A Europe fit for the digital age'- the Commission announced its intention to put forward a new Digital Services Act in Q4 2020 (as confirmed by the adjusted Commission Work Programme 2020 presented in May 2020) in order to reinforce the single market for digital services and help provide smaller businesses with the legal clarity and level playing field they need.

The European Commission has launched two public consultations on the responsibilities for digital services and on ex ante instruments for gatekeepers in June 2020 (with deadline on 8 September 2020).

In the European Parliament, the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection (IMCO), the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and the Legal Affairs Committee (JURI) have published their respective draft reports in April and in May 2020. The vote in Committees are expected in September 2020.

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