

# The Week Ahead 21 – 27 October 2019

## Agenda

### Plenary session, Strasbourg

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**EU Summit.** MEPs will take stock of the outcome of the 17-18 October meeting of EU heads of state or government in a debate with Council President Donald Tusk and Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker. The summit focussed on Brexit, negotiations for a long-term EU budget, strategic priorities for the next five years, climate change, enlargement and foreign affairs (*Tuesday*).

**Juncker Commission.** In a debate with Jean-Claude Juncker on Tuesday morning, MEPs will take stock of the work done by the outgoing Commission during its five-year mandate.

**Turkey/ Syria.** MEPs will discuss the Turkish military operation in north-east Syria and how the EU should react on Wednesday morning, with a resolution to be put to the vote on Thursday.

**Albania and North Macedonia's EU Accession.** MEPs will debate with Council and Commission on whether to open accession talks with the two Western Balkan countries. Parliament has, in previous resolutions, expressed its strong support to start negotiations with both countries (*Wednesday*).

**EU budget 2020.** Parliament will adopt its position on next year's EU budget, focussing on climate change, youth unemployment, Erasmus, migration and external policies (*debate Tuesday, vote Wednesday*).

**Multinationals/Taxes.** MEPs will discuss stalled legislation obliging multinationals to disclose what taxes they pay in each country and vote on a resolution, which is likely to call on EU ministers to adopt a position to start negotiations on the new law (*debate Tuesday, vote Thursday*).

**Brexit/EU funds.** MEPs are set to approve changes to the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund to include support for workers who would lose their jobs due to a no-deal Brexit. They are also expected to endorse a measure to make sure that UK researchers, students and farmers would continue to get EU support in the event of a no-deal Brexit until the end of 2020 (*Tuesday*).

**Sakharov Prize.** Following a decision by Parliament's Conference of Presidents, EP President Sassoli will announce the winner of the Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought 2019. The award ceremony will take place on 18 December in Strasbourg (*Thursday*).

**President's Diary.** EP President David Sassoli will meet Klaus-Heiner Lehne, President of European Court of Auditors, on Tuesday, George Tsereteli, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the OSCE on Wednesday and the Speaker of Northern Macedonian Parliament Talat Xhaferi on Thursday.

**Pre-session press briefing.** The EP Press Service will hold a press briefing with political groups' spokespersons at 16:00 on Monday in the Daphne Caruana Galizia Press conference room, Strasbourg.

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**Monday 21/10/2019**

## **PLENARY SESSION**

**17:00 - 23:00** Debates

- Resumption of session and order of business
- **Effects of the bankruptcy of Thomas Cook Group**  
[2019/2854(RSP)]
- **The danger of violent right-wing extremism (in the light of the recent events in Halle, Germany)**  
[2019/2885(RSP)]
- **Criminalisation of sexual education in Poland**  
[2019/2891(RSP)]
- **Storms in Europe – particularly the heavy rains in Spain and of the hurricane in Azores (Portugal)**  
[2019/2892(RSP)]
- **One-minute speeches (Rule 172)**

## **THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY**

### **The President's agenda**

18:00 Conference of Presidents

## **PRESS CONFERENCES**

**16:00-16:30** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N-1.2*

**Pre-session briefing**

## **PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**19:30-19:45** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N1.4*

**Joint meeting: Economic and Monetary Affairs & Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Committees**

## Votes

- Establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investment - Vote on the decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations - Rapporteur: Bas EICKHOUT (Greens/EFA, NL), Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN (EPP, FI)

**19:00-20:00** *Strasbourg, Winston Churchill, 200*

## Committee on Regional Development

### Votes

- Financial assistance to Member States to cover serious financial burden inflicted on them following a withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union without an agreement (COD) - adoption of draft report by Younous Omarjee (GUE/NGL, FR)

**19:00-21:30** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N1.3*

## Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

### Votes (19.00-19.30)

- Election of the third Vice-Chair
- Search and rescue in the Mediterranean (SAR) (RSP), rapporteur Juan Fernando LÓPEZ AGUILAR (S&D, ES) - adoption of motion for a resolution

### Debate (19.30-20.30)

- Exchange of views with Dunja MIJATOVIĆ, Commissioner for Human Rights, Council of Europe

Tuesday 22/10/2019

## PLENARY SESSION

09:00 - 12:20 Debates

- **Conclusions of the European Council meeting of 17 and 18 October 2019**  
[2019/2721(RSP)]
- **Review of the Juncker Commission**  
[2019/2831(RSP)]

12:30 - 14:30 VOTES

- \*\*\*I • **European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (2014-2020)**  
*Report: Vilija Blinkevičiūtė (A9-0015/2019)*  
[2019/0180(COD)]  
**Committee on Employment and Social Affairs**
- \*\*\*I • **Fishing authorisations for Union fishing vessels in United Kingdom waters and fishing operations of United Kingdom fishing vessels in Union waters**  
*Report: Chris Davies (A9-0014/2019)*  
[2019/0187(COD)]  
**Committee on Fisheries**
- \*\*\* • **Implementation and financing of the EU general budget in 2020 in relation to the UK's withdrawal from the EU**  
*Report: Johan Van Overtveldt (A9-0018/2019)*  
[2019/0186(APP)]  
**Committee on Budgets**
- \*\*\*I • **Periods of application of Regulation (EU) 2019/501 and Regulation (EU) 2019/502**  
*Report: Karima Delli*  
[2019/0179(COD)]  
**Committee on Transport and Tourism**

## 15:00 - 21:00 Debates

- **General budget of the European Union for 2020 - all sections**  
*Report: Monika Hohlmeier, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial (A9-0017/2019)*  
[2019/2028(BUD)]  
[Committee on Budgets](#)
- **Discharge 2017: European Asylum Support Office (EASO)**  
*Report: Petri Sarvamaa (A9-0011/2019)*  
[2018/2208(DEC)]  
[Committee on Budgetary Control](#)
- **Discharge 2017: EU general budget - European Council and Council**  
*Report: Isabel García Muñoz (A9-0010/2019)*  
[2018/2168(DEC)]  
[Committee on Budgetary Control](#)
- **Taking forward the Horizontal anti-discrimination Directive**  
[2019/2877(RSP)]
- **State of play of the disclosure of income tax information by certain undertakings and branches - public country-by-country reporting**  
[2019/2882(RSP)]

## THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

### The President's agenda

- 15:00 Meeting with Commissioner Moscovici
- 16:00 Meeting with Mr Lehne, President of European Court of Auditors
- 18:00 Meeting with Alessandro Mahmood and Maiorino
- 18:30 ITW, La Bussola, Rainews24 LIVE, Lobby set

## PRESS CONFERENCES

**10:10-10:30** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N-1.2*

### [S&D Briefing](#)

Iratxe GARCÍA PÉREZ, (ES), chair

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**10:30-10:50** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N-1.2*

## **Greens/EFA Briefing**

Ska KELLER (DE), and Philippe LAMBERTS (BE), co-chairs

**15:00-15:30** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N-1.2*

## **RE Briefing**

Dacian CIOLOȘ (RO), chair

Wednesday 23/10/2019

## PLENARY SESSION

09:00 - 11:50 Debates

- **The Turkish military operation in northeast Syria and its consequences**  
[2019/2886(RSP)]

12:00 - 14:00 VOTES followed by explanations of votes

- **Draft general budget of the European Union for 2020 - all sections**
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[2018/2168(DEC)]  
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- **Objection pursuant to Rule 112: Assessment of the impact of plant protection products on honeybees**  
[2019/2776(RPS)]

15:00 - 23:00 Debates

- **Climate and ecological emergency**  
[2019/2887(RSP)]



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- **Presentation of the Court of Auditors' annual report - 2018**  
[2019/2802(RSP)]
- **Search and rescue in the Mediterranean**  
*Report: (O-000025/2019, O-000024/2019)*  
[2019/2755(RSP)]
- **Opening accession negotiations with North Macedonia and Albania**  
[2019/2883(RSP)]
- **The situation in Iraq, in particular the violent suppression of young people's and students' protests**  
[2019/2884(RSP)]
- **High-level UN political declaration on Universal Health Coverage**  
[2019/2861(RSP)]

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14:45 LEX signing

17:00 Meeting with Mr Tsereteli, President of the OSCE

## PRESS CONFERENCES

**15:00-15:30** *Strasbourg, Louise Weiss, N-1.2*

### “Political situation in Spain“

François ALFONSI (Greens/EFA, FR), Matt CARTHY (GUE/NGL, IE), Fernando BARRENA ARZA (GUE/NGL, ES), Kateřina KONEČNÁ (GUE/NGL, CZ), Christian ALLARD (Greens/EFA, UK), Benoît BITEAU (Greens/EFA, FR), and Jill EVANS (Greens/EFA, UK)

Thursday 24/10/2019

## PLENARY SESSION

10:00 - 11:50 Debates

**Debates on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law (Rule 144)**

- **Situation of LGBTI persons in Uganda**  
[2019/2879(RSP)]
- **Egypt**  
[2019/2880(RSP)]
- **The proposed new Criminal Code of Indonesia**  
[2019/2881(RSP)]

12:00 - 14:00 VOTES followed by explanations of votes

- **Motions for resolutions concerning debates on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law (Rule 144)**
- \*\*\*] • **Financial assistance to Member States to cover serious financial burden inflicted on them following a UK's withdrawal from the EU without an agreement**  
*Report: Younous Omarjee (A9-0020/2019)*  
[2019/0183(COD)]  
**Committee on Regional Development**
- **Objection pursuant to Rule 112: partially granting an authorisation for a use of chromium trioxide (Cromomed S.A. and others)**  
[2019/2844(RSP)]
- **Effects of the bankruptcy of Thomas Cook Group**  
[2019/2854(RSP)]
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[2019/2886(RSP)]

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[2019/2755(RSP)]

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[2019/2883(RSP)]

## 15:00 - 16:00 Debates

- **Appointment of EBA Executive Director Farkas as AFME Chief Executive**

**Report: (O-000031/2019)**

[2019/2888(RSP)]

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09:00 Meeting with Speaker of Northern Macedonian Parliament Talat Xhaferi

10:00 Conference of Presidents

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Friday 25/10/2019

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### The President's agenda

09:30 Presentation "Reports on Italians in the World" - Migrantes Foundation (Rome)