

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS' MEETING

- not to be-treated in full committee -

IN CAMERA

Monday, 21 March 2016, 17.30-18.30

Room

JAN 4Q2

COORDINATORS RESULTS

21.03.2016

Present:

Mr La Via, Chair

Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group

Mr Groote, Coordinator of the S&D group

Ms Girling, Coordinator of the ECR group

Mr Gerbrandy, Coordinator of the ALDE group

Ms Konečná, Coordinator of the GUE/NLG group

Mr Eickhout, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group

Mr Pedicini, Coordinator of the EFDD group

Ms D'Ornano, Coordinator of the ENF group

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA

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

2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1 Main items discussed at last CCC meeting

The main item of interest for ENVI at last CCC meeting was the exchange of views with VP Timmermans on the Commission Work Programme and the Commission approach on sustainability. VP Timmermans informed that, at the request of President Juncker, he was working, together with VP Katainen on a plan on how to fit the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals in the 10 priorities of the Commission. Once this work will be finalised, the two VPs will present it in the ENVI Committee.

2.2 Invitation to VP Timmermans in the context of the structured dialogue

Coordinators mandated the Chair to formally invite Vice-President Timmermans to the ENVI Committee.

2.3 Invitation to Commissioner Bulc

Commissioner Bulc was invited to the April ENVI meeting in view of the ICAO High-Level meeting on GMBM in May, but can unfortunately not attend due to previous commitments. Coordinators mandated the Chair to insist on having an exchange of views at political level ahead of the GMBM meeting in May and instructed the secretariat to look into alternative dates in April when Commissioner Bulc could be present.

They also considered that a joint ENVI/TRAN presentation by Commissioners Arias Canete and Bulc on the communication on decarbonisation of transport should not take precedence over a presentation by Commissioner Arias Canete of the legislative proposals on efforts sharing and LULUCF.

Finally, coordinators mandated the Chair to raise with President Schulz the difficulty of finding available dates for some Commissioners to hold exchange of views in Committee meetings.

3. DECISIONS ON PROCEDURE

Decisions on procedure

Reports

None

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Own-initiative reports

None

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Legislative opinions

1. Measures to safeguard the security of gas supply

ENVI/8/05771

***I 2016/0030(COD) COM(2016)0052 – C8-0035/2016

Responsible: ITRE

Decision taken: No opinion.

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Non-legislative opinions

2. ITRE INI report on "EU Strategy on Heating and Cooling"

Decision taken: EPP rapporteur for opinion (0,5 points).

3. ITRE INI report on "EU Strategy for liquefied natural gas and gas storage"

Decision taken: S&D rapporteur for opinion (0,5 points).

4. **BUDG/ECON INI implementation report on "The implementation of the European Fund for Strategic Investments"**

Decision taken: *No opinion, interested MEPs may submit amendments to the relevant Committees.*

5. **JURI legislative INI report on "Civil Law Rules on Robotics"**

Decision taken: *EPP rapporteur for opinion (0,5 points) who will also be ENVI representative in the Working Group on legal questions related to the development of Robotics.*

Documents received for information

6. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the exercise of the delegation conferred on the Commission pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market (the EU Timber Regulation)
COM(2016)0060**

Decision taken: *No action needed.*

7. **Proposal for a Council decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Paris Agreement adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
COM(2016)0062**

Decision taken: *No action, for information only.*

8. **Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Regulation EU/995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market (the EU Timber Regulation)
COM(2016)0074**

Decision taken: *To organise an exchange of views with the Commission on the implementation of the Timber Regulation.*

9. **Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking
COM(2016)0087**

Decision taken: *ALDE rapporteur (1 point). Coordinators also agreed to invite the Dutch Presidency for an exchange of views in the ENVI Committee.*

10. **Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council: The Road from Paris: assessing the implications of the Paris Agreement and accompanying the proposal for a Council decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Paris agreement adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**
COM(2016)0110

Decision taken: *No action needed (see also coordinators' results of 16 February 2016)*

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Other documents received

11. **Commission staff working document: Evaluation of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market (the EU Timber Regulation) accompanying the document**
SWD(2016)0033
12. **Commission staff working document Evaluation of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market (the EU Timber Regulation) Accompanying the document**
SWD(2016)0034
13. **Commission staff working document Analysis and Evidence in support of the EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking Accompanying the document Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking**
SWD(2016)0038
14. **Commission staff working document Technical assessment of the experience made with the Anti-Contraband and Anti-Counterfeit Agreement and General Release of 9 July 2004 among Philip Morris International and affiliates, the Union and its Member States**
SWD(2016) 44 final - responsible CONT

Decision taken: *To invite the Commission for an exchange of views in the ENVI Committee.*

4. DECISIONS ON URGENT MATTERS

4.1 Mission to ICAO GMBM High-Level Meeting - composition of the delegation

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided that the delegation will be composed as follows:*

- *Mr Dance (S&D)*
- *Ms Girling (ECR)*
- *Mr Gerbrandy or Mr Faria (ALDE)*

5. DECISIONS RELATED TO NON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

5.1 Possible OQ and resolution on Transfats

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to draft OQs to Council and Commission and a resolution.
A deadline was set for Tuesday, 5 April closure of business for political groups to inform the secretariat on the names of co-sponsors.*

5.2 Work plan of the Health Working Group - Use of expertise budget

Decision taken: *Coordinators endorsed the annual programme of workshops of the Health Working Group.*

5.3 2016 ENVI annual scrutiny plan

Decision taken: *Coordinators endorsed the technical proposal for the ENVI scrutiny plan for the year 2016. In addition, Coordinators decided the following:*

A. Studies with exchange of views in Committee:

Decision taken: *To request a study - to be presented in the ENVI Committee when finalised - on the "Progress in phasing out of fossil fuel subsidies".*

B. Interparliamentary Committee Meeting (ICM) with national parliaments:

Decision taken: *Not to organise, for the time being, an ICM with national parliaments.*

C. Ad hoc exchange of views with the Commission:

Decision taken: *To hold, outside the ENVI committee scrutiny activities, an ad hoc exchange of views with the Commission on "Sustainability criteria for biomass to be adopted by the end of 2016".*

5.4 Pesticides authorisation procedure - Ombudsman case 12/2013/MDC

Decision taken: *To invite the Ombudsman for an exchange of views in the ENVI Committee.
To come back to the issue of the possible implementation report after that exchange of views.*

5.5 Criteria for Endocrine Disruptors - Follow-up to the EGC ruling in the case Case T-521/14 Sweden v. Commission

Decision taken: *To await for the reply from the Commission to President Schulz's letter.*

5.6 *Follow-up to new failure in appointment of ECDC Executive Director*

Decision taken: *To invite the two EP representatives on the ECDC Management Board (Mr Scheres and Ms Malliori) for an exchange of views on the matter at next coordinators' meeting.*

6. PROPOSALS FOR DECISION WITHOUT DEBATE

6.1 Decisions on procedure

6.1.1 Motions for resolution Rule 133

1. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on school meals by Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský- B8-0228/2016

2. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on European Alzheimer's strategy by Dominique Bilde, Marie-Christine Boutonnet, Steeve Briois - B8-0230/2016

3. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the procedure for banning imports of GM products by Sophie Montel, Florian Philippot, Steeve Briois - B8-0244/2016

4. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on hunting: an inclusive, sustainable and environmentally friendly activity by Dominique Bilde, Philippe Loiseau, Edouard Ferrand, Marie-Christine Boutonnet, Mireille D'Ornano - B8-0259/2016

5. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on noise pollution from machinery and equipment for outdoor use by Aldo Patriciello - B8-0280/2016

6. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on research into the Zika virus by Aldo Patriciello - B8-0286/2016

Decision taken: *No follow-up needed. The Chair will reply accordingly to the author(s) of the motions for resolution.*

6.1.2 Short-list of candidates for INI reports

The following issue is currently on the short-list:

- **Adding water to foods obtained from fishing** – follow-up to motion for resolution B8-0608/2015

Decision taken: *To take note of the issue currently on the short-list.*

6.2 A new EU Forest Strategy: for forests and the forest-based sector – Proposal for a joint meeting AGRI/ENVI/ITRE

Decision taken: *To reply to AGRI confirming ENVI interest to take part in this joint meeting on the implementation of the new EU Forest Strategy.*

6.3 Possible presentation of ECA special report on Danube water quality

Decision taken: *Not to organise a presentation in ENVI of this special report, in the light of the ENVI Committee busy agendas in the spring and of the ECA work programme for special reports.*

6.4 Priority areas for the ECA Work Programme 2017

Decision taken: *To submit in writing additional proposals for priority areas for 2017 by 4 April 2016 close of business. In view of the tight deadline for input to CCC, the ENVI contribution should be finalised by written procedure.*

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

8. NEXT COORDINATORS' MEETING

Tuesday, 19 April, 9.00-10.00 (tbc)