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Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

EMPL COORDINATORS' MEETING

Thursday, 15 March 2018

10.00-11.30

Room SDM S5- Strasbourg

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The meeting opened at 10:06 and closed at 11:43 hrs with Marita Ulvskog in the chair.

<u>Present</u>

Acting Chair Mrs Marita Ulvskog, 1st Vice-Chair,

EPP Mr David Casa, Coordinator

S&D Mr Agnes Jongerius, Coordinator

ECR Ms Anthea McIntyre, Coordinator

ALDE Mr Enrique Calvet Chambon, Coordinator

GUE/NGL Ms Rina Ronja Kari, Co-Coordinator,

GUE/NGL Mr João Pimenta Lopes, Co-Coordinator

EFDD Ms Laura Agea, Coordinator

Apologies

Chair Mr Thomas Händel, Chair

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Greens/EFA Ms Jean Lambert, Coordinator

ENF Mr Dominique Martin, Coordinator

1. Chair's announcements

1.1. Interpretation [LE/JK]

Interpretation was available in the following languages: FR, IT, EN, DA

1.2. Voting session during the EMPL Committee meeting on 27-28 March

In view of the Easter break, starting on 29 March (Maundy Thursday), the **voting session** during the EMPL meeting on 27/28 March shall take place <u>exceptionally on</u>

Tuesday, 27 March, starting at 14.30 hrs.

For information, the following votes are *currently* foreseen for 27 March 2018:

- **ROLIN**: Protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work [CARM] AD PR
- PIMENTA LOPES: Implementation report on the EU Youth Strategy [SMAJ] AD PR (AM 27.2.)
- KOZŁOWSKA-RAJEWICZ: Modernisation of education in the EU [CARM] AD PA (AM 28.2.)
- McINTYRE: Interinstitutional agreement on Better Law-Making [MART]- AD PA

The Coordinators agreed to *postpone* the following three votes:

- **BACH**: minimum requirements on maximum daily and weekly driving times, minimum breaks and daily and weekly rest periods [VUJA] AD PA (AM 30.1.)
- **DLABAJOVA**: Posting of drivers in the road transport sector [FORD] AD PA (AM 30.1.)
- LOPE FONTAGNE: Access to occupation and Reg (EC) 1072/2009 on haulage market [SMAJ] -AD PA -(AM 30.1.)

1.3. Update on Brexit [EC]

On 31 January, the Commission gave a presentation to Members of the Brexit Steering group plus Chairs and coordinators of groups represented at the BSG on the issue of **level playing field in the context of the negotiations on the framework for future relations with the UK** on 31.01 - the presentation is publicly available (https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications/slides-level-playing-field en)

On 22 February, the Commission gave a presentation to Members of the Brexit Steering group plus Chairs and coordinators of groups represented at the BSG on the issue of **EU-UK mobility of people**

in the context of the negotiations on the framework for future relations with the UK the presentation is publicly available (https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications/slides-mobility_en)

Note: additional slides are available here:

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications en?field publication type tid selective=343&field c ore nal countries tid selective=All&field core departments target id selective=All

The EP resolution on Brexit was adopted on 14 March 2018.¹

The draft resolution was prepared by the political groups and submitted to the Conference of Presidents on 7 March 2018.

In line with the last decisions of the Coordinators, only the five political groups that are represented in the Brexit Steering Group were involved through group-internal mechanisms.

1.4. Committees contribution to COSAC bi-annual Report [EC]

The Chair of the EMPL Committee has been asked to provide an answer to CCC by 12.03.2018 in the form of a letter, replying to the Questionnaire for the 29th Bi-annual Report of COSAC drafted by the Bulgarian COSAC Presidency (background documents are annexed to the notes).

A written consultation was launched on 02.03 (deadline to reply: 09.03 at 10 o'clock) and the Committee contribution was prepared accordingly

1.5. Indicative timetable for future MFF-related programmes

The Coordinators were informed that the Conference of President envisages a very ambitious timetable for the first readings of all MFF-related programmes. In essence, this means:

- Adoption of all Commission proposals on 29 May 2018
- ➤ April 2019: "Parliament votes on programmes first readings in Plenary Plenary gives its consent to the MFF regulation/opinion on own resources"

In operational terms this signifies that only 10 months (June 2018 - March 2019) are available for the committee phase. (By comparison, the committee phase in EMPL took one-and-a-half years for complex files such as Posting of Workers or Social Security Coordination.)

Updates on this issue will follow as and when more information becomes available.

http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?language=EN&type=TA&reference=20180314&secondRef=TOC

1.6. Update on trilogues on the three Agency files (CF, TV, JuB)

Decision

The Coordinators

- held an exchange of view
- noted that the Commission had not replied to the request for information on the evaluation of the agencies
- instructed the secretariat to agree with the Presidency on a draft timetable on 19 March 2018
- mandated the chair to raise the matter with the Presidency in writing in the event where only insufficient progress would have been to be made.

2. Points for information/follow-up of previous decisions

2.1. EMPL delegation to Canada - update [RS/LS]

On 8 November 2017, the CoP authorized the EMPL Committee delegation of 7 Members to Ottawa and Toronto, in the week of **3 to 7 April 2018** (5 days including travel time).

Update:

The composition of the delegation will be as follows:

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Members	Marian Harkin (Head of the delegation)	ALDE
	Danuta Jazłowiecka	EPP
	Krzysztof Hetman	EPP
	Sven Schulze	EPP
	Emilian Pavel	S&D
	Paloma López Bermejo	GUE/NGL
	Joëlle Mélin	ENF

The draft progamme is as follows:

EMPL COMMITTEE

Delegation to Ottawa and Toronto (CAN)

3-6 April 2018

DRAFT PROGRAMME

State of play 05/03/2018

Tuesday - 3 April		
Afternoon	Check in at Fairmont Hotel, Ottawa	
19.15	Meeting at the hotel lobby, transfer to the venue	
19.30-21.00	Welcome Reception at the Residence of the Ambassador of the EU Delegation to Canada	
Wednesday - 4	4 April	
9.00	Meeting at the hotel lobby, transfer to the venue	
9.15 - 10.15	Briefing on current EU-Canada issues by the EU Ambassador, premises of the EU delegation to Canada Address: 1900 - 150 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, K2P 1P1	
10.30 - 11.45	Round table with think tanks (tbc), premises of the EU delegation	
12.00-12.30	Meeting with social partners - workers' representatives - Canadian Labour Congress, premises of the EU delegation	

12.30-13.00	Meeting with social partners - employers' representatives - Chamber of
Commerce - Confederation of Independent Business (CFIB), premise	
	delegation
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch break
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14.15-15.15	Presentation of the Canadian Super Cluster Initiative / Industry 4.0 (tbc)
15.30 - 18.00	Meeting with government officials in charge of
	the Canadian Labour Programme (tbc) ,
	the Canadian Department of Employment and Skills Development (tbc),
	the Canadian Department of Employment and Skins Development (tbc),
	Global Affairs Canada (tbc)
18.00	Bus transfer to Ottawa airport
20.30-21.35	Flight from Ottawa to Pearson International Airport, Terminal 1, Toronto, flight
	Air Canada - AC 475
Evening	Bus transfer to hotel "Intercontinental Toronto Centre"
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8.45	Meeting at the hotel lobby of the hotel "Intercontinental Toronto Centre"
9.00 - 10.00	Ontario Ministry of Labour
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10.15-12.15	Transfer to Waterloo, the Canadian "Silicon Valley"
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12.13-13.00	Lunch Sicus
12.15-13.00	Lunch break
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13.00 -14.30	Visit of Waterloo University
15.00-17.00	Visit of companies in the field of digitalisation, robotics and artificial intelligence, Clearpath Robotics Inc. , 1425 Strasburg Rd. Suite 2A, Kitchener, On N2R 1H2 (tbc)
17.00 - 19.00	Transfer back to the hotel in Toronto
Friday - 6 April	
9.00	Meeting at the hotel lobby and transfer to the venue
9.30 - 10.45	Visit of MaRS innovation hub (tbc)
11.00- 13.00	Meeting with local / regional officials (tbc)
12.30-13.00	Lunch break / End of official programme
13.00	Bus transfer to the hotel "Intercontinental Toronto Centre"

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the state of play.

2.3. EMPL delegation to Austria - update (MM/RS)

On 13 November 2017, the Bureau authorised the EMPL Committee request for a delegation of up to 7 Members plus the Chair to Vienna, Austria, with a focus on the functioning of ESF activities in practice and to study the employment and social effects of free movement of persons in the EU, includes the coordination of social security systems and posting or workers. In accordance with the EMPL Coordinators' decision of 21 November 2017, the delegation will take part from **7 to 9 May 2018** (arrival on 7 May, noon; departure on 9 May, noon).

Interpretation will be provided in EN/DE.

The composition of the delegation will be as follows:

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

David Casa	EPP
Danuta Jazlowiecka	EPP
Michaela Sojdrova	EPP
Heinz K. Becker (hors quota)	EPP
Michael Detjen	S&D
Evelyn Regner (hors quota)	S&D
Ulrike Trebesius	ECR
Jasenko Selimovic	ALDE
	Michaela Sojdrova Heinz K. Becker (hors quota) Michael Detjen Evelyn Regner (hors quota) Ulrike Trebesius

The state of play of the draft programme is as follows:

Draft programme - EMPL Delegation to Vienna/ Austria -7-9 May 2018

Monday, 7 May	
Morning	Individual arrival in Vienna,

	Flight to Vienna: Flight OS 352: 10.10 Brussels (BRU) - 12.00 Vienna (VIE)
14h00	Meeting at the hotel lobby
14h15	Transfer to the Austrian Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection, Address: Stubenring 1, 1010 Vienna
14h30 - 15h30	Meeting with Ms Beate Hartinger-Klein, Minister of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection, Address: Stubenring 1, 1010 Vienna
16h00- 17h30	Meeting with Members of the Austrian Parliament (Social Affairs Committee)
18h30- 20h00	Optional: Stakeholder dialogue on posting of drivers, EP-liaison office
20h30	Transfer back to the hotel

Tuesday, 8 May		
9h30	Departure from the hotel lobby - visit of an ESF project: "Produktionsschule Jobfabrik"	
10h00-12h00	Visit of an ESF project: "Produktionsschule Jobfabrik" (tbc)	
12h30-14h30	Meeting with social partners (lunch) (tbc)	
15h00-17h30	Visit of "Siemens mobility", Vienna-Simmering (tbc)	
18h00-19h00	Meeting with Ms Juliane Bogner-Strauß, Federal Minister for women, family and youth	
19h00	Transfer back to the hotel	

Wednesday, 9 May		
9h00	Departure from the hotel	
9h30-11h00	Meeting with representatives of the Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA), Vienna	
11h30-12h30	Meeting with stakeholders in the field of social affairs and labour market, EP liaison office (tbc)	
12h30-13h30	9 May reception at the EP liaison office, tbc	
13h30	Transfer back to the hotel	
	Individual departure/ end of the delegation	
Afternoon	Flight to Brussels: Flight SN 2906,: 18.10 (Vienna) - 19.50 (Brussels)	

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the state of play.

2.4. EMPL delegation to the Czech Republic - nomination of Members (EC/CF)

On 13 November 2017, the Bureau also authorised the EMPL Committee request for a delegation of up to 7 Members plus the Chair to Prague and Zlin in the Czech Republic, to study best practices on matching skills and jobs in, and to inspect the functioning of European Social Fund (ESF) and Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) projects in practice. In accordance with the EMPL Coordinators' decision of 21 November 2017, the delegation will take part from **9 to 11 May 2018**

Members	Marek Miroslaw PLURA	EPP

	Georgi PIRINSKI	S&D
	Siôn SIMON	S&D
	Enrique CALVET-CHAMBON	ALDE
Members hors quota	Michaela SOJDROVA	EPP
	Jan KELLER	S&D
	Martina DLABAJOVA	ALDE
Political advisors	Aino FANT	EPP
Secretariat	Elodie CARMONA	AD
	Christopher FORD	AD

The state of play of the draft programme (to be finalised at a preparatory meeting on 21 March) is as follows:

Wednesday 9 May 2018		
	Individual arrivals of MEPs and check-in to hotel	
 14h-18h 	Round table including employment and education Ministers, social partners Visit to Commission office's Schuman Day event Participation in a roundtable with Commissioner Jourova	
 19 h 	Dinner (venue tbc)	
Thursday 10 May 2018		
09h-14h	Visit to the Czech Parliament and lunch with national Parliamentarians (including Senators)	
14h-18h	Visit to Škoda plant and schools/SMEs, Mladá Boleslav	

Evening	Return to Prague and hotel followed by free evening		
Friday 11 May	Friday 11 May 2018		
8h30			
 9h30-14h30 	Departure from hotel Visit to Youth Guarantee projects and/or projects concerned with Roma integration in Ústí nad Labem region		
Afternoon	Return to Prague airport by 16.00		
	End of delegation		

Decision

The Coordinators took note of the state of play.

Delegation to be chaired by Mr Calvet Chambon (ALDE Coordinator).

2.5. EMPL hearing on Digitalisation and automation: Challenges for the labour market and social security systems [LS]

Decision:

The three main speakers shall be:

- Samuel Engblom
- Valerio De Stefano
- Gerlind Wisskirchen

The three substitutes shall be

- Uwe Combuchen
- one of the two authors of the study "The Future of Work in the 'Sharing Economy'" (Fabienne Abadie or Cristiano Codagnone)
- one of the two IG Metal experts on "Fair Click-/Crowdwork" (Robert Fuß or Michael Silbermann)

Mr Gonçalo Lobo Xavier shall be invited as an additional speaker in his capacity as Vice-President of the EESC, in case the EESC rapporteur could not attend.

2.6. EMPL hearing on Working conditions in sectors presenting a high risk of exploitation [LS]

Decision:

The three main speakers shall be:

- Remco Breuker
- Vanya Grigorova
- Amaia Otaegui

The substitutes shall be

- Marco Omizzolo
- Sir David Metcalf

A representative of the FRA shall be invited at the expenses of his institution to present relevant FRA work in this area.

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The Coordinators also agreed that in the future the appointment of experts for hearings should be carried out in written procedures using Excel tables.

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3. Pending conflicts of competence

3.1. Renewed FEMM request for an own-initiative report: new title and reduced scope: "Care services in the EU for improved gender equality" [JuB]

The papers for the meeting include

- a letter from EMPL to the CCC Chair dated 12.2.2018 reiterating the EMPL opposition to the FEMM request

Update:

The CCC discussed the issue during its meeting on 6 February 2018 without taking any decision. Subsequently, on 12 February, the EMPL Chair sent another letter to the CCC Chair insisting on the Coordinators' request not to authorise the FEMM INI report on "Care services in the EU for improved gender equality". She also argued that Parliament should focus on priority and legislative files during the next months in order to finalise these files before the 2019 elections (letter in the annexes).

4. Documents for information

none

5. Allocation of reports and opinions

For information: own-initiative reports for which authorisation was requested

(no more than 3 at any given time):

The following ordinary INI reports are currently progressing:

Rapporteur/Title	Date of the Coordinato rs Decision	Letter asking for authorisati on to CCC	Date of the CCC decision	Date of the CoP decision	Indicative date of the vote in EMPL
Thomas Händel - Workers representation on board level in Europe (BM)	25.06.2015	01.07.2015	07.07.2015	03.09.2015	postponed
Rapporteur ECR: Jana Žitňanská - Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment (TV)	12.10.2017	07.11.2017	14.11.2017	06.12.2017	25-26 April 2018
Renate Weber - The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed (MP)	21.11.2017	14.02.2018			8-9 October 2018

<u>Note</u>: At their meeting of 1 February 2018, the Coordinators raised the issue of the blocked INI report on the Workers representation on board level in Europe.

The following implementation reports are currently in progress:

Rapporteur/Title	Date of the Coordinato rs Decision	Letter asking for authorisatio n to CCC	Date of the CCC decision	Date of the CoP decision	Indicative date of the vote in EMPL

Rap	ports d'applicatior	n adoptés en Commission EMPL		
	Rapporteur	Titre du rapport	Date d'adoption	Dos sier
1	Edurard Kukan	European Year of Active Ageing	9 septembre 2015	<u>{1}</u>
2	Sven Schulze	Implementation of the European Progress Microfinance Facility - 2013	15 décembre 2015	<u>{2}</u>
3	Renate Weber	Implementation report on the Employment Equality Directive	21 juin 2016	<u>{3}</u>
4	Maria Arena	Report on the revised Framework Agreement on parental leave concluded by BUSINESSEUROPE, UEAPME, CEEP and ETUC and repealing Directive 96/34/EC	16 mars 2016 (plénière 12 mai 2016	<u>{4}</u>
5	Helga Stevens	Implementation report on the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	30 mai 2016 (plénière 7 juillet 2016)	<u>{5}</u>
6	Marian Harkin	Implementation report on the activities, impact and added value of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund between 2007 and 2014	21 juin 2016, plenière 7 juillet 2016	<u>{6}</u>
7	Helga Stevens -	Progress Report on the implementation of the European Disability Strategy (2010 - 2020)	19 octobre 2017, plenière 30 novembre 2017	(7)
8	Romana Tomc	The implementation of the Youth Employment Initiative in the Member States (4 décembre, plenière janvier 2018	(8)

- {1} http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2014/2255(INI)&l=en
- {2} http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2042(INI)&l=en
- {3} http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2116(INI)&l=en
- {4} http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2097(INI)&l=en
- {5} http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258(INI)&l=en
- (6) http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2015/2258(INI)&l=en
- (7) http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2127(INI)&l=en

{8}http://www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil/popups/ficheprocedure.do?reference=2017/2039(INI)&l=en

Decisions on new own-initiative reports

- The regular INI quota is down to 3 (from previously 6).
- Applicable since the beginning of the second half of the parliamentary term; no fresh INIs will
 be authorised until we are below the threshold of three.
- Implementation reports are not affected.
 - "[...] During the second half of a parliamentary term, each parliamentary committee may simultaneously draft up to three own-initiative reports. [...]"

"Towards the end of the parliamentary term, requests for authorisation to draw up own-initiative reports must be submitted no later than in the July of the year preceding the elections. After that date, only duly substantiated exceptional requests shall be authorised."

http://www.sib.ep.parl.union.eu/SIB/download.do?file=/Documents/10_Recueil/1/1.3/1. 3.1/422604_net_en.pdf

On 15 March 2018, the Conference of Presidents "decided that requests for own-initiative reports must be submitted to the Conference of Committee Chairs at the latest by <u>17 April 2018</u> and to the Conference of Presidents at the latest by 1 May 2018;"

On 15.3.2018, the Coordinators noted Ms Jongerius' suggestion that potential new INI requests should take account of the above and of the fact that one INI would be adopted in April, thus enabling the Coordinators to decide on one possible additional INI at their April meeting.

Candidate list for own-initiative reports - updated table:

Order	Date	INI Title as agreed by Coordinators	Notes	AD	Proposed by
0		Non-legislative aspects of Labour Mobility package, incl. labour mobility in cross-border regions	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 On 1.9.2016, the item was postponed, pending further clarification as to the contents of the Commission proposal(s)".following a shift in focus (social security) of the announced Commission proposal.		Consensus
		Combating inequalities as a lever to boost job creation and growth	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016		merged S&D ALDE Consensus on 1.9.2016
		Minimum income policies as a tool to tackle poverty	Coordinators' decision of 28.9.2015 Covered by INI on Social pillar etc, Coordinators' decision of 14.4.2016 Reinstated, Coordinators' decision of 26.4.2016 Request to CCC to be made: 1.9.2016		EFDD Consensus on 1.9.2016
		Delivering sustainable long-term employment through re-shoring The role of employer led vocational education and training for growth and employment (new title as suggested by ECR; the S&D group expressed reservations about this title change) [The ECR Group expressed its opposition to those reservations.] Agreed title: Pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from	Original title as per Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015 Title change as shown in the minutes of 9.2.2017 S&D reservation as shown in the minutes of 9.3.2017 ECR opposition as shown in the minutes of 6.4.2017		ECR

	injury and illness into quality employment		
	The role of Employee Financial Participation in creating jobs and reactivating the unemployed	Coordinators' decision of 15.10.2015	ALDE
1	The campaign of the International Labour Organisation to ratify the Protocol on Forced Labour and to contemporary forms of severe labour exploitation	Coordinators' decision of 1.9.2016	Chair

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5.1. European Labour Authority (BM)

COM(2018)131 - 2018/0064 (COD)

Decision:

- 1. Rapporteur to be nominated by the EPP Group.
- 2. Commissioner Thyssen to be invited for a presentation of the proposal, depending on availability, at her earliest convenience.
- 3. Workshop presentation of impact assessment maintained for 16 May 2018 p.m.

5.2. Employment and social policies of the euro area (MM)

EMPL own-initiative report (instead of a Rule 54 opinion in previous years)

Decision:

Mr Hetman was confirmed as rapporteur also for this report.

Opinions	
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5.2. Budget for the year 2019 - Trilogue mandate (EC)

Background: at their meeting of 1st February 2018, the coordinators decided on point 9 (Budgetary procedure 2019) that the Chair would act as Rapporteur for the budgetary procedure (which includes EMPL's opinion on the mandate for the trilogue).

Decision: The Coordinators took note of the above. See also point 9 below.

5.3. Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on health technology assessment and amending Directive 2011/24/EU (EC) COM(2018)0051

Decision:

No opinion, EMPL powers are limited to "health and safety measures at the workplace".2

5.4. Specific measures for Greece under Regulation 2015/1839 (MM)

Decision:

No opinion

5.5. The future of food and farming (EC)

COM (2017)0713

Decision:

No opinion

Documents for information

none

² http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-//EP//TEXT+RULES-EP+20170116+RESP-EMPL+DOC+XML+V0//EN&language=EN&navigationBar=YES

6. Request from the ALDE group for an ad hoc public hearing on the proposal on transparent and predictable working conditions in the EU COM(2017)0797 - 2017/0355(COD) [TV]

On 6 March 2018, the secretariat received a request from the ALDE group for an ad hoc public hearing on the above proposal in this first half of the year, in order for it to feed into the Rapporteur's work on the draft report before the end of May (instead of adding it to the program for the second half of the year).

Such a hearing would indeed be most beneficial to Members ahead of the draft report.

The timetable for this dossier is as follows (see also points for information on page 31.):

EMPL Coordinators – allocation of the file	1 February 2018
Presentation of the Commission's proposal in Committee	21 February 2018
Draft report ready	25 May 2018
Presentation and consideration of draft report in Committee	18-19 June 2018
Deadline AMs	26 June at 12:00
Consideration of amendments	29-30 August 2018
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings in view of compromises	September, October
Adoption EMPL	18 October 2018
Plenary	tbc
Opinions (JURI)	Rapporteur: Kostas Crysogonos (GUE/NGL)
	Administrator: Valeria Ghilardi

In accordance with Article 3 of the Rules on public hearings (Bureau Decision of 18 June 2003), for hearings not included in the 6-month programme approved by the Bureau, specific individual authorisation shall be requested at the latest four weeks in advance and after having notified the Conference of Committee Chairs.

Decision:

The Coordinators decided to request first the authorisation of a formal public hearing on 16-17 May 2018 (Option A) and, failing this, to organise an exchange of views with shareholders (Option B) on the same date.

The secretariat was instructed to urgently conduct enquiries, prepare the necessary letters and make the necessary arrangements for written procedures to nominate and appoint reimbursable experts (Option A) or non-reimbursable stakeholders (Option B).

7. Request for a stakeholder dialogue in the first half of 2018 on the proposal on transparent and predictable working conditions in the EU COM(2017)0797 - 2017/0355(COD) [TV]

Decision:

The Coordinators decided to:

- request that the proposal on transparent and predictable working conditions in the EU be added to the list of topics for stakeholder dialogues in 2018;
- instruct the secretariat to liaise already with DG COMM, under the authority of the Rapporteur, in order to identify possible dates and locations for such stakeholder dialogues.

8. Draft programme for committee delegations in the second half of 2018

A table, summarising the proposals received is annexed to the notes

Committees are invited to submit their priorities for their travel activities in order to adopt the draft programmes for committee missions and ad hoc delegations during the second half of 2018 (July-December). The priorities for committee missions and ad hoc delegations have to be sent to the CCC secretariat by 22 March 2018 in order to adopt the draft programmes during the CCC meeting of 17 April 2018. The Conference of Presidents and the Bureau would then consider the programmes by May 2018.

Turquoise weeks in the second half of 2018:

• 16-20 July

- 20-24 August (not recommended)
- 17-21 September
- 29 October 2 November
- 17-21 December (not recommended)

Delegations already planned for the first half of 2018: Cedefop, Austria, Czech Republic, Canada *Decision of 1 February 2018*

The Coordinators

- noted that only three viable turquoise weeks would be available
- took note of a proposal from the ALDE Coordinators to organise an informal delegation to the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA)³, Frankfurt, on a Monday of a Strasbourg session
- decided that up to three delegations may be requested for the second half of 2018, viz.:
 - o one delegation to the future <u>presidency country</u> (Romanian presidency during the first half of 2019, in the week from 17 to 21 September 2018)
 - o one delegation to an agency, i.e. the ETF⁴, in the week from 29 to 31 October 2018
 - o possibly
 - a delegation within the EU or candidate countries within the quota (27 for the whole year) and/or
 - a delegation outside the EU, outside the quota and as ad hoc delegations (usually 7 Members including the Chair, if authorised by CoP)

The three proposals received (details in the annexed table) are:

- EPP: Como/Italy: Cometa education and research
- S&D: Greece: workers' rights, labour market reforms, wages, pensions, poverty, social exlusion
- ALDE: EIOPA/Frankfurt, informal delegation on a Monday morning prior to a Strasbourg session

Decision:	

³ https://eiopa.europa.eu/

⁴ Agencies visited in 2017 are EU-OSHA and Eurofound and Cedefop in the first half of 2018.

The Coordinators

- bearing in mind their previous decision, namely:
 - one delegation to the future <u>presidency country</u> (Romanian presidency during the first half of 2019, in the week from 17 to 21 September 2018) [TBD]
 - o one delegation to an agency, i.e. <u>the ETF ⁵, in the week from 29 to 31 October 2018</u>
 [BM]
- decided in addition to
 - send a non-formal delegation to the EIOPA on a Monday morning preceding a Strasbourg session [date TBD, potentially Monday 1 October 2018] - [MP]
 - send a delegation to Como (Italy) to study the Cometa project and other successful initiatives in Northern Italy [date TBD, potentially turquoise week of 17 September 2018] - [TBD]

9. Draft programme for committee hearings in the second half of 2018

A table summarising the proposals is annexed to the notes

Committees are invited to launch the programming exercise for committee Public HEARINGS during the 2nd half of 2018 (July-December), so that the draft programmes for committee Hearings can be adopted by the CCC at its meeting on 17 April 2018.

Each Committee has to send their committees' requests for Hearings during the 2nd half of 2018 to the CCC Chair by Thursday, 22 March 2018, at the latest.

For information:

- Each committee may hear a maximum of 16 guests each year whose expenses will be covered.

- Hearings shall take place on Parliament's premises during the ordinary meeting time of the organising committee.

- It is recommended to link hearings to ongoing legislative or non-legislative reports.

Hearings in 2017

Statute for social and solidarity-based entreprises - 22 March 2017

⁵ Agencies visited in 2017 are EU-OSHA and Eurofound and Cedefop in the first half of 2018.

- Social protection and the Commission proposal on Coordination of social security systems -11 April 2017
- LIBE-EMPL-PETI_ joint_hearing- Situation and rights of EU nationals in the UK-4.5.2017
- Greek labour market reforms 29.05.2017
- EMPL-FEMM work-life balance 22 June
- Impact of business models including platform economy 13 July
- CMD-Protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work-13.7.2017
- EMPL/CULT Hearing on European Solidarity Corps Initiative 10.10.2017
- EMPL/TRAN HEARING on working conditions of the mobile workers 16.10.2017

Hearings planned for the first half of 2018:

- "Citizens' rights after Brexit" (jointly with LIBE and PETI, 1 February 2018) [EC]
- "Work/life balance" (22 February 2018) [JuB]
- "Digitalisation and automation: Challenges for the labour market and social security systems") [LS]
- "Working conditions in sectors presenting a high risk of exploitation" [LS]
- possibly, an ad hoc public hearing on the proposal on transparent and predictable working conditions, see item 6 above [TV]

Decision of 1 February 2018:

The Coordinators

• took a decision of principle that two hearings should be requested for the second half of 2018,

Decision:

Owing to a lack of time the Coordinators agreed to take a decision on a maximum of two public hearings for the second half of 2018 in a written procedure involving the use of an Excel table.

10. Budgetary procedure 2019 [EC]

Background:

The budget procedure is traditionally subject to a specific procedure, with tight time constraints, in order to follow the steps in the lead committee. *See whole BUDG timetable in Annex.*

At their meeting of 1st February 2018, EMPL coordinators decided that the Chair would act as Rapporteur for the budgetary procedure 2019.

10.1. 2019 BUDGET – MANDATE FOR THE TRILOGUE

Every year, most of committees convey their priorities to the BUDG Committee negotiating team, either in the form of opinions⁶ or of a letter⁷.

The proposed tentative timetable for this year is as follows:

	Timetable
Week 15	Draft opinion ready
25 April (tbc)	Exchange of view in EMPL with the General Rapporteur for 2018 Budget (MEP Viotti)
	possibly jointly with the exchange of views on the draft opinion (alternatively for the latter: 16-17 May)
End May (tbc)	Presentation of the Commission's statement of estimates 2019 in BUDG committee
23 May, noon (tbc)	Deadline for tabling amendments to the drat opinion in EMPL
18 June (TBC)	Presentation in BUDG of the draft report on the mandate for the trilogue
19 June (TBC)	Vote in EMPL
20 June - 18hr	Deadline for tabling amendments in BUDG
21 June - 12hr	Deadline for opinions from Committees to the draft report
28 June	Adoption of mandate report in BUDG committee

⁷ In 2017: AFET, INTA, CONT, ENVI, FISH, ITRE, LIBE, AFCO

⁶ In 2017: FEMM, CULT, EMPL, AGRI, IMCO, EMPL

Notes:

- Instead of a normal opinion, EMPL could opt for an opinion under Rule 53(4) i.e. EMPL
 Members could table and adopt amendments directly to BUDG draft report.
 - Advantages of this procedure are that amendments adopted in EMPL would likely be directly used by BUDG to draft compromise amendments⁸.
 - Drawbacks of this procedures are that it entails a very tight timetable (entirely dependent on the date of availability of BUDG draft report; assuming the BUDG draft report would be available on 5 June, **EMPL deadline for AMs would be 7 June at 17hr, and EMPL vote on 19 June**) and that AMs can be tabled in EN only.
- BUDG Secretariat has informed Committees secretariats that, should the draft Budget be issued
 too late, there will be no time to adopt a report on the mandate for the trilogue. If this is the
 case, the EMPL Secretariat proposes that EMPL's priorities for the budget 2019 are conveyed to
 BUDG in the form of a letter (draft prepared by EMPL Secretariat under the Chair's instructions
 and adoption by Coordinators in written procedure).

Decision:

The coordinators took note of the tentative timetable and agreed to take the following decision through a written procedure:

- Decide on the procedure (normal opinion or opinion under Rule 53(4))
- If BUDG eventually does not adopt a report on the mandate, decide to convey EMPL's
 priority in the form of a letter drafted under the Chair's instructions and adopted by
 Coordinators in written procedure.

10.2 BUDGET 2018 section III

As for previous years, EMPL will deliver one opinion and adopt budgetary amendments The proposed timetable for this year is as follows:

	Timetable
25 April	Exchange of view with the General Rapporteur for 2017 Budget , MEP Viotti
June (date tbc)	Draft opinion ready
Week 28: 9-12 July	Shadows meeting
11-12 July	Consideration draft opinion in EMPL

⁸ As was the case for the INI report "The next MFF: preparing the Parliament's position on the MFF post-2020 " - where EMPL issued for the 1st time its opinion under Rule 53(4).

11 July (tbc)	COREPER ADOPTION Of Council's position		
12 July, 16hr	Deadline for amendments in EMPL		
	 amendments to the draft opinion (in AT4AM) budgetary AMs (by email) 		
23 August	Possible technical meeting		
27 August	Possible shadows meeting		
29 August morning	Vote EMPL (AMs to the draft opinion and budgetary AMs)		
30 August, 12h	Deadline for tabling budgetary AMs:		
	by individual Members to BUDG		
	by Committees and MEPs (38 signatures) to plenary		
6 September - 12h	Deadline for tabling budgetary amendments by groups to Plenary		
Week 39: 24-27 September	BUDG vote on budgetary amendments		

Decision:

The Coordinators took note of the above timetable.

10.3. Pilot projects/Preparatory actions proposals for the budget 2019

Once a year, in May or June, any Member, committee or group has the right to submit proposals for new pilot projects and preparatory actions or proposals for prolongation of existing ones for **pre-assessment** to the Commission⁹. The Commission then evaluates the implementability of all proposals- the result of this assessment is normally published early (sometimes mid) July.

The proposed timetable for Pilot projects/Preparatory actions for the 2019 Budget is as follows:

Timetable		
27 February	First interim report from COM (see Annex)	
21 March morning	Presentation by the Commission on ongoing PPs/PAs in EMPL meeting	

⁹ The assessment is an informal step only: in order for the proposals for pilot projects and preparatory actions to become part of the budget and thereby finally authorized, they <u>must also be tabled as budgetary amendments to the draft budget by BUDG deadline</u>.

23 April, noon	Deadline for transmission to EMPL SECRETARIAT of preliminary proposals of Pilot Projects-Preparatory Actions		
27 April, noon	Deadline for transmission by Committees' Secretariats (and by Members) of a preliminary list of PP-PAs to BUDG		
Early July (tbc)	Result of the Commission's assessment will be available		
Week 28: 9-12 July	Shadows meeting - discussion on PPs/PAs		
12 July, 16hr	Deadline for Members to table PPs/PAS as budgetary AMs (by email, and preferably in EN)		
29 August morning	Vote in EMPL		
30 August, 12h	by individual Members to BUDG by Committees and MEPs (38 signatures) to plenary		
6 September - 12h	Deadline for tabling budgetary amendments (including PPs and PAs) by groups to Plenary		
Week 39: 24-27 September	BUDG vote on budgetary amendments (including PPs and PAs)		

Note: BUDG usually suggests to keep the number of proposals low (traditionally 2-3) which, with a higher financial envelope, should ensure efficacy and added value. The proposals should not replicate existing actions and be feasible.

Decision:

The Coordinators took note of the above timetable.

Note: the Rapporteur and Coordinators will be informed of any update from BUDG on the timetable applicable for the EMPL contributions.

11. Gender mainstreaming [MM]

Decision:

Postponed owing to lack of time.

12. New EMPL Representative at the PETI Network [MP]

Ms Tatjana Zdanoka (Greens/EFA) left the European Parliament as of March. She was the EMPL PETI Network Member and she needs to be replaced upon her departure from the EP.

The next meeting of the Petitions Network on Members level will take place on:

> Tuesday, 27 March 2018 from 13.30 to 14.30, Meeting Room Altiero Spinelli A3E2.

MEPs who are EMPL and PETI members:

- EPP: Rosa ESTARÀS FERRAGUT (Substitute EMPL, Full PETI)
- EPP: Sven SCHULZE (Substitute EMPL, Substitute PETI)
- ALDE: Marian HARKIN (Full EMPL, Substitute PETI)
- ALDE: Yana TOOM (Full EMPL, Full PETI)
- GUE/NGL: Kostadinka KUNEVA (Full EMPL, Substitute PETI)
- EFDD: Laura AGEA (Full EMPL, Substitute PETI)

Decision:

Mr Calvet Chambon shall be the new EMPL representative at the Petitions' Network.

13. Motions for Resolutions10 - decision on procedure [MP]

none			

¹⁰ Rule 133

14. Petitions [MP]

A. Petitions received for opinion

- 1. Petition No 0701/2017 by Giancarlo Ferrandino (Italian) on the failure to recognise service completed by teachers at Italian accredited (semi-private) schools before becoming state employees
- 2. Petition 0915/2017 by Leszek Kiełtyka (Polish) on the alleged non-compliance with the EU Treaties by the German customs office concerning the provisions on the minimum wage and posted workers

The first petition concerns the by the petitioner supposed discriminatory attitude of the Italian State towards teachers at accredited semi-private (paritarie) schools. The second petition concerns a situation wherein three of the employees of the owner of a Polish ship were inspected by the German customs services in Hamburg. More detailed information on both petitions by PETI can be found in the annexes.

1. Any Member may table a motion for a resolution on a matter falling within the spheres of activity of the European Union. The motion may not comprise more than 200 words.

2. The committee responsible shall decide what procedure is to be adopted.

It may combine the motion for a resolution with other motions for resolutions or reports.

It may adopt an opinion, which may take the form of a letter.

It may decide to draw up a report under Rule 52.

3. The authors of a motion for a resolution shall be informed of the decisions of the committee and of the Conference of Presidents.

- 4. The report shall contain the text of the motion for a resolution.
- 5. Opinions in the form of a letter addressed to other institutions of the European Union shall be forwarded by the President.
- 6. The author or authors of a motion for a resolution tabled under Rule 123(2), 128(5) or 135(2) shall be entitled to withdraw it before the final vote.
- 7. A motion for a resolution tabled in accordance with paragraph 1 may be withdrawn by its author, authors or first signatory before the committee responsible has decided, in accordance with paragraph 2, to draw up a report on it.

Once the motion has been thus taken over by the committee, only the committee shall be empowered to withdraw it up until the opening of the final vote.

8. A withdrawn motion for a resolution may be taken over and retabled immediately by a group, a committee or the same number of Members as is entitled to table it.

Committees have a duty to ensure that motions for resolutions tabled under this Rule which meet the requirements laid down are followed up and duly referred to in the resulting documents.

Decision:

Draft letters to PETI shall be circulated and finalised by a written procedure.

B. Petitions received for information

none

15. Resolution by the Petitions' Committee on precariousness (MP)

Draft title of PETI Oral Question + Motion for a resolution: "Temporary and precarious work: Tackling the precariousness and abuse of fixed-term contracts in the EU"

Decision:

Upon proposal from the ALDE Coordinator, the Coordinators decided to invite the Committee on Petitions to refrain from its' plan, given that a recent EMPL report on precarious work had already addressed the matter extensively.

16. Points for information [ADs concerned]

Timetables Reports:

Employee Financial Participation - rapp. Renate Weber

EMPL Coordinators - appointment of rapporteur	21 November 2017
Deadline to send draft report to translation	17 May 2018
Presentation and consideration of draft report in Committee	7 June 2018
Deadline AMs	14 June 2018, 12h00
Consideration of amendments	11-12 July 2018
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings in view of compromises	Week 35-37
Adoption EMPL	9 October
Plenary	Tbc

Proposal on transparent and predictable working conditions in the EU COM(2017)0797 - 2017/0355(COD) - rapp. E. Calvet Chambon

EMPL Coordinators – allocation of the file	1 February 2018
Presentation of the Commission's proposal in Committee	21 February 2018
Draft report ready	25 May 2018
Presentation and consideration of draft report in Committee	18-19 June 2018
Deadline AMs	26 June at 12:00
Consideration of amendments	29-30 August 2018
Shadow rapporteurs' meetings in view of compromises	September, October
Adoption EMPL	18 October 2018
Plenary	tbc
Opinions (JURI)	Rapporteur: Kostas Crysogonos (GUE/NGL) Administrator: Valeria Ghilardi

Protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work (CMD 2)- Rapp. Claude Rolin: Amended timetable:

Consideration draft report	27-28 November 2017
Deadline AMs	5 December noon
Consideration of AMs tabled	22-23 January 2018
Vote EMPL	21-22 February 2018
	27-28 March 2018
Vote plenary	April 2018 (tbc)

Timetables Opinions:

Statute for social and solidarity-based enterprises - rapp. H. Becker - revised timetable

Send draft opinion to translation	1 March 2018
Consideration of draft opinion	21 March 2018

Deadline for tabling amendments	26 March 2018- 9 April 2018 at 12.00
Vote in EMPL	17 May 2018
Vote JURI	20 June 2018

Modernisation of education in the European Union - Rapporteur: KOZLOWSKA-RAJEWICZ

Revised Timetable

Approved by EMPL Coordinators		
Send text to TO/Translation	2 February 2018	
Debate(s) in Committee	21 February 2018	
Deadline AMs	28 February 2018, noon	
Send AM to TO	tbc	
Shadows meetings	Weeks 11-12	
Vote EMPL	21-22 27 March 2018	
Vote lead committee	25-26 April 2018	
Vote plenary	tbc	

Use of EMPL annual translation reserve

On 01.03.2018, the EMPL Committee had used 1.44 pages of its annual translation reserve (45 pages).

17. Dates of next Coordinators' meetings [JK/LE]

Next meeting:

Coordinator's meeting dates in 2018

Thursday, 12 April (10.00-11.30)

Thursday, 17 May (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 7 June (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 12 July (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 6 September (am) - as part of EMPL meeting

Thursday, 27 September (10.00-11.30)

Thursday, 8 November (10.00-11.30) - to be confirmed

Thursday, 6 December (10.00-11.30) - to be confirmed