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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Subject: Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) **(full day)**

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Date: 7 May 2026

Time: 09:30

Venue: COUNCIL

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Rue de la Loi 167, 1048 BRUSSELS

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The construction ecosystem – priorities for future targeted measures
  - *Introduction by the Chair*
  - *(poss.) Presentation by a representative of Strabag SE (transparency register number: 472996192561-86)*
  - *(poss.) Presentation by a representative of European Construction Industry Federation (transparency register number: 92221016212-42)*
  - *Presentation by the Commission*
  - *Exchange of views*  
*(Doc. 8297/26 to follow)*

3. Standardisation in the European Product Act – major challenges ahead
  - *Introduction by the Chair*
  - *Presentation by the Commission*
  - *Exchange of views*  
(Doc. 8298/26 to follow)
4. Working lunch: Taking stock of simplification
  - *Introduction by the Chair*
  - *Presentation by the representatives of Związek Pracodawców Business & Science Poland*  
(transparency register number: 548212735276-89)
  - *Presentation by the Commission*
  - *Exchange of views*
5. Any other business
  - a) *Merger guidelines revision*
    - *Information from the Commission*
  - b) *Investment framework for decarbonization in the cement sector*
    - *Information from the Commission*
  - c) *Impact on EU industry of the ongoing hostilities in Iran and wider region*
    - *Information from the Commission*
  - d) *Next HLG trio programme*
    - *Information from Ireland*

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