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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	WORKING PARTY ON COMPETITIVENESS AND GROWTH (Internal Market)
Date:	13 November 2026
Time:	11:00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Meeting format: 2+2

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Progress on Removing the Ten Most Harmful Barriers

   – *Overview of guiding questions by Presidency*

   – *Exchange of views*

3. National Single Market heatmaps
   - *Overview of guiding questions by Presidency*
   - *Tour de table*

4. EESC opinion on "Making civil society a driving force in the understanding and implementation of the Single Market Strategy"
   - *Presentation by the EESC*
   - *Exchange of views*

5. EESC opinion on "SMEs and simplification: how the simplification agenda can deliver for SMEs"
   - *Presentation by the EESC*
   - *Exchange of views*

6. Priorities for boosting European Services Trade
   - *Overview of guiding questions by Presidency*
   - *Exchange of views*

7. Any other business

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