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Non-legislative activities

3. Enlargement and Stabilisation and Association Process

Exchange of views

The Council took note of the information provided by the Presidency and exchanged views on the state of play.

4. Conference on the Future of Europe

Information from the Presidency

The Council took note of the information provided by the Presidency, in particular concerning the first citizens' panel organised on 17 June in Lisbon and the first plenary on 19 June 2021, and exchanged views on the state of play.

5. Preparation of the European Council on 24-25 June 2021:

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Conclusions

Exchange of views

The Council exchanged views on the draft conclusions of the European Council meeting of 24-25 June 2021.

6. Rule of law in Poland / Article 7 (1) TEU Reasoned Proposal

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Hearing

The Council took note of the information provided by the Commission, questions by Member States and responses by Poland.

7. Values of the Union in Hungary / Article 7 (1) TEU Reasoned Proposal

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Hearing

The Council took note of the information provided by the Commission, questions by Member States and responses by Hungary.

8. Any other business

The Council took note of the information provided by the Commission on EU-Switzerland relations.

The Council took note of the information provided by Austria on strategic autonomy.

The Council took note of the information provided by Romania on the 10th anniversary of the EU strategy for the Danube Region.

The Council took note of the information provided by Slovenia about events under its incoming Presidency.

Statements to the non-legislative "A" items set out in doc. 9808/21

Ad "A" item 7: **Conclusions on a comprehensive approach to accelerate the 2030
Agenda for sustainable development implementation**
Approval

STATEMENT BY THE COMMISSION

“The Commission confirms that it will take forward its commitment to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs through its internal and external action policies. As part of the dialogue on annual programming as outlined in the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, the Commission is open to engage with the Council both before and after the adoption of its annual work programme on the implementation of the SDGs based on the annual SDG monitoring report published by Eurostat. The Commission will draw up its future work programmes in line with its institutional prerogatives.

With respect to multiannual programming, the Commission considers that it is essential to maintain an efficient and comprehensive procedure to implement the programming elements of the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making. Therefore, the Commission will consider, if appropriate, the preparation of one report at the end of the legislative term in order to facilitate the discussions on multi-annual programming at the start of the next legislative term.”
