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COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(General Affairs)
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1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda as set out in document 12703/26.

2. Approval of "A" items

a) Non-legislative list

13248/26

The Council adopted all "A" items listed in the document above, including all linguistic COR and REV documents presented for adoption. Statements to these items are set out in the Addendum.

Legislative deliberations

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

3. Multiannual Financial Framework 2028-2034

SC 12922/26

Policy debate

The Council held a policy debate on the next Multiannual Financial Framework.

4. Any other business

a) Omnibus simplification packages: state of play
Information from the Presidency

IC 12955/26

The Council took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

Non-legislative activities

5. Preparation of the European Council on 15-16 October 2026: 11447/26
annotated draft agenda
Exchange of views

6. **Legislative programming: letter of intent** [3] 12894/26
Presentation by the Commission 13103/26
Exchange of views

The Council took note of the presentation by the Commission.

7. Annual rule-of-law dialogue: horizontal discussion 11865/26
Exchange of views

8. General trend of the rule-of-law situation in selected candidate 11674/26
countries¹ 5529/25
Exchange of views

9. **Any other business**

a) Official languages and enlargement 13244/26
Information from Spain

b) **Simplification** [2] 13399/1/26 REV
Information from Austria 1

The Council took note of the information provided by Austria, supported by Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Greece, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.

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| [1] | First reading |
| [S] | Special legislative procedure |
| [2] | Public debate (Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure) |
| [3] | Public debate (Article 8(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure) |
| [C] | Item based on a Commission proposal |
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¹ In the presence of representatives of the governments of Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia.