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COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Agriculture and Fisheries)
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1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda set out in document 15467/24.

2. Approval of 'A' items

(a) Non-legislative list 15480/24

The Council adopted all "A" items listed in the document above, including all linguistic COR and REV documents presented for adoption.

(b) Legislative list (public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union) 15481/24

Agriculture

1. Revision of phytosanitary legislation 14737/24 + ADD 1 *Adoption of the legislative act* PE-CONS 66/24 approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 6.11.2024 AGRILEG


The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (legal basis: Article 43(2) TFEU).

A statement to this item is set out in the Annex.


Transport

2. Directive amending Directive 2009/16/EC on port State control 14965/24 *Adoption of the legislative act* PE-CONS 86/24 approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 6.11.2024 TRANS


The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (legal basis: Article 100(2) TFEU).

3. **Directive amending Directive 2009/18/EC on the investigation of accidents in the maritime transport sector**  14935/24
Adoption of the legislative act PE-CONS 90/24
approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 6.11.2024 TRANS

The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (legal basis: Article 100(2) TFEU).

4. **Directive amending Directive 2009/21/EC on compliance with flag State requirements**  14970/24
Adoption of the legislative act PE-CONS 83/24
approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 6.11.2024 + **COR 1 (hr)**
TRANS



The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (legal basis: Article 100(2) TFEU).

5. **Directive on ship-source pollution and on the introduction of penalties for pollution offences**  14941/24
Adoption of the legislative act PE-CONS 91/24
approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 6.11.2024 TRANS

The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (legal basis: Article 100(2) TFEU).

Non-legislative activities

FISHERIES

3. Council Regulation fixing for 2025 and 2026 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non-Union waters  15167/24
Presentation by the Commission 15106/24
Exchange of views + ADD 1-2
4. Council Regulation on fixing the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in the Mediterranean and the Black Seas for 2025  15168/24
Presentation by the Commission 13354/24 + ADD 1
Exchange of views

AGRICULTURE

5. Market situation, in particular following the invasion of Ukraine¹ 15231/24
Information from the Commission and the Member States
Exchange of views

Any other business

6. Agriculture

- a) **Putting forward an EU Protein Strategy** [2] 15468/24
Information from Germany, on behalf of Denmark and Germany, supported by Czechia, Estonia, Ireland and Luxembourg

The Council took note of the information provided by Germany on behalf of Denmark and Germany concerning an EU Protein Strategy and of delegations' and the Commission's comments.

- b) **Implementation of the N+3 rule for rural development interventions in the CAP Strategic Plans** [2] 15523/24
Information from Spain, supported by Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Greece, Ireland, Latvia, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia


The Council took note of the information provided by Spain.

The Council also took note of the Commission's and delegations' reactions.

- c) Presidency summary of the discussions on the challenges and future perspectives of the different agricultural sectors 15525/24
Information from the Presidency



¹ In the presence of the Ukrainian Minister for Agrarian Policy and Food.

**d) Protective measures under Article 4(1) of
Regulation (EU) 2024/1392 for imports of Ukrainian
honey into Bulgaria and Romania**
Information from Bulgaria, supported by Romania

 15541/24

The Council took note of the information provided by Bulgaria, and supported by Romania, on protective measures under Article 4(1) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1392 for imports of Ukrainian honey into Bulgaria and Romania.

The Council also took note of delegations' and of the Commission's reactions.

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-  Public debate proposed by the Presidency (Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
-  Item based on a Commission proposal

Statements to the legislative "A" items set out in doc. 15481/24**Ad "A" item 1:****Revision of phytosanitary legislation***Adoption of the legislative act***STATEMENT BY POLAND**

“Poland considers that the solutions set out in the proposed Regulation are justified and have the expected added value. For this reason, and in the spirit of compromise, Poland supports the adoption of the draft Regulation.

However, in Poland’s view the scope of the draft Regulation should be broader in order to fully address the problems identified when applying the existing provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants. In Poland’s view, it is possible to further reduce the burden on administrations and operators without increasing the phytosanitary risk.

The draft Regulation has not fully eliminated the issue of the unworkable recommendations made to Poland (DG (SANTÉ) 2021-7273) regarding notification in the TRACES system of the results of inspections of wood packaging used for the transport of goods not subject to border phytosanitary checks, which are conducted outside the phytosanitary border control posts. Such notifications are not possible in view of the way the TRACES system functions. Poland therefore expects the European Commission to urgently resolve this issue by means of non-legislative measures.

Poland also expects the European Commission to urgently put forward a legislative initiative exercising its delegated power to define derogations from the obligation to issue plant passports for certain goods in the case of sales through distance contracts.”
