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## **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs)

Europa building, Brussels

2 and 3 December 2024 (09:30, 10:00)

**Format: 2+2 (+2 in listening room)**

### **MEETING ON MONDAY 2 DECEMBER 2024 (9:30)**

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of 'A' items
  - a) Non-legislative list 16321/24
  - b) Legislative list (public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union) 16322/24

### **EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY**

#### **Legislative deliberations**

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

3. Directive on traineeships 🗳️ 16136/24 + ADD 1  
*General approach*

## Non-legislative activities

4. Council Recommendation on a reinforced Quality Framework for Traineeships  
*Progress report* [C][2] 15599/24
5. European Semester 2025: Priorities in employment and social policy  
*Policy debate* [2] 15562/24 + COR 1
- a) Council Decision on guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States  
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 148(2) TFEU)  
*Adoption* [C](\*) 15724/1/24 REV 1  
[2] 15095/24 + ADD 1
- b) Assessment of the Social Convergence Framework as implemented on a pilot basis in the 2024 European Semester cycle  
*Presentation by the Chairs of the Employment Committee and the Social Protection Committee* [2] 15563/24
- c) EMCO review of the implementation of the Recommendation on individual learning accounts: Key messages  
*Endorsement* [2] 15564/24
6. Conclusions on labour and skills shortages in the EU: Mobilising untapped labour potential in the European Union  
*Approval* [2] 15463/24
7. Conclusions on improving access to enabling services and employment services in order to promote the social inclusion of people at risk of poverty or social exclusion, including Roma, by reducing territorial inequalities  
*Approval* [2] 15610/24
8. Conclusions on fostering social inclusion of persons with disabilities through employment, reasonable accommodation and rehabilitation  
*Approval* [2] 15842/24

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| 9.  | Comprehensive solutions to demographic challenges:<br>Supporting parents and unlocking the untapped potential of<br>young and older generations<br><i>Policy debate</i> | ☒ 15569/24                    |
| 10. | Conclusions on ensuring work-life balance and gender equality<br>for all generations in the context of demographic challenges<br><i>Approval</i>                        | ☒ 15104/24 + COR 1<br>+ ADD 1 |
| 11. | Conclusions on strengthening women's and girls' mental health<br>by promoting gender equality<br><i>Approval</i>  | ☒ 15976/24<br>+ ADD 1 REV 1   |

**Any other business**

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| 12. | a) Current legislative proposals (Public deliberation in<br>accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European<br>Union)   | ☐☐               |
|     | i) Regulation on European Union labour market<br>statistics on businesses<br><i>Information from the Presidency</i>   | 12258/23 + ADD 1 |
|     | ii) Regulation on a public interface connected to the<br>Internal Market Information System for the<br>declaration of posting of workers and amending<br>Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012<br><i>Information from the Commission</i> | 15620/24         |
|     | b) Tripartite social summit<br><i>Information from the Presidency and the Commission</i>  | ☒ 16081/24       |
|     | c) Porto Social Forum 2025<br><i>Information from Portugal</i>  | ☒ 16268/24       |
|     | d) Presidency events  | ☒ 16079/24       |
|     | i) Informal meeting of Employment and Social affairs<br>Ministers   |                  |
|     | ii) High-level conferences<br><i>Information from the Presidency</i>  |                  |

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| e)   | Digital tools to promote free and fair movement of workers in the EU<br><i>Information from Denmark, supported by Belgium, Croatia, Finland, Germany, Greece, the Netherlands and Slovenia</i> | 16000/24 |
| f)   | Commission reports on the implementation of equality strategies  |          |
| i)   | Report on the implementation of the national Roma strategic frameworks<br><i>Information from the Commission</i>   | 13899/24 |
| d)   | ( <u>continuation</u> ) Presidency events  | 16079/24 |
| iii) | Informal meeting of Ministers responsible for Demography<br><i>Information from the Presidency</i>   |          |
| g)   | Equal treatment and intersectional discrimination<br><i>Information from the Presidency</i>  | 15933/24 |
| f)   | ( <u>continuation</u> ) Commission reports on the implementation of equality strategies  |          |
| ii)  | Report on the implementation of the EU Anti-racism Action Plan 2020-2025   | 13819/24 |
| iii) | Report on the implementation of the LGBTIQ equality strategy 2020-2025<br><i>Information from the Commission</i>   | 13898/24 |
| h)   | EU survey on gender-based violence (EU-GBV survey)<br><i>Information from the Commission</i>   | 16259/24 |
| i)   | Work programme of the incoming Presidency<br><i>Information from Poland</i>  |          |

## **MEETING ON TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER 2024 (10:00)**

### **HEALTH**

#### **Non-legislative activities**

13. Council Recommendation on smoke-and aerosol-free environments  
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 168(6) TFEU)  
*Adoption* ☐☐ 15059/24  
(\* ) + ADD 1-2
14. The European Health Union in light of the report on ‘The future of European Competitiveness’  
*Exchange of views* ☐ 15278/24

#### **Legislative deliberations**

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

15. Pharmaceutical package: ☐☐ 14955/24
- a) Directive on the Union code relating to medicinal products for human use
- b) Regulation laying down Union procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human use and establishing rules governing the European Medicines Agency  
*Progress report*

#### **Non-legislative activities**

16. Conclusions on the improvement of cardiovascular health in the European Union  
*Approval* ☐ 15315/24  
+ COR 1-2
17. Conclusions on enhancing organ donation and transplantation  
*Approval* ☐ 14697/24 + ADD 1

## Any other business

18. a) Necessary reforms in the Medical Device and In vitro Diagnostic Medical Device Regulations: priorities / main points  
*Information from Croatia, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Romania and Slovenia* [2] 15380/24
- b) Voluntary cooperation of Member States on joint procurement of medicinal products  
*Information from Cyprus, Croatia, Denmark, Greece, Latvia, Malta and Slovenia* [2] 15379/1/24 REV 1
- c) Health sector as a key part of the future Preparedness Union Strategy  
*Information from Finland on behalf of Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malta and Spain* [2] 15400/24
- d) Presidency conferences  
*Information from the Presidency* [2] 15402/24
- e) Tackling the sale of unauthorised medicines to European citizens  
*Information from Belgium, Cyprus, Ireland and Spain* 15381/24
- f) Negotiations for an international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, as well as complementary amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005)  
*Information from the Presidency and the Commission* 15401/24
- g) Work programme of the incoming Presidency  
*Information from Poland*

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① First reading

[2] Public debate proposed by the Presidency (Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)

C Item based on a Commission proposal

(\*) Item on which a vote may be requested