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## 1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda set out in 7389/22.

## 2. Approval of 'A' items

### (a) List of non-legislative activities


7530/22

The Council adopted the "A" items listed in 7530/22 including COR and REV documents presented for adoption.

### (b) List of legislative deliberations (public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

7531/22


## Agriculture

1. Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 as regards regional economic accounts for agriculture  7140/22 + ADD 1  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  
approved by SCA on 28 March 2022  
PE-CONS 84/21

The Council approved the European Parliament's position at first reading and the proposed act has been adopted, with Finland voting against, pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. (Legal basis: Article 338 TFEU)

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

## Environment


2. Decision on the 8th Environment Action Programme (EAP)  7197/22  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  
approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 23 March 2022  
PE-CONS 83/21  
ENV

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 192(3) TFEU)

## **Non-legislative activities**

3. COVID-19: the next challenges for the EU's strategy on vaccine solidarity<sup>1</sup> 6994/22  
*Exchange of views*

## **Any other business**

4. (a) **Ukraine: update on the health and humanitarian situation**  7566/22  
*Information from the Commission*

The Council received an update from the Commission on the health and humanitarian situation in Ukraine **and took note of the reaction from several delegations. In the context of this discussion, ministers had the opportunity to informally exchange views with the Director of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, Andrea Ammon, and the Executive Director of the European Medicines Agency, Emer Cooke.**

- (b) **Current legislative proposals**  
(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

**Regulation on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU**   12973/20 + ADD 1  
*Information from the Presidency*

The Council was informed by the Presidency on the state of play on the Regulation on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision N° 1082/2013/EU.

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<sup>1</sup> Including an informal exchange with the EMA Executive Director and ECDC Director.


- (c) **Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations on behalf of the European Union for an international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, as well as complementary amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005)**

 7460/22

*Information from the Presidency*

The Council was informed by the Presidency on the state of play of the negotiations for an international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, as well as complementary amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005).


- (d) **Ministerial meetings organised by the French Presidency**


 7463/22


*Information from the Presidency*

The Council was informed by the Presidency on the ministerial meetings organised by the French Presidency.

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 First reading

 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. 7531/22**

**Ad "A" item 1:**

**Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 as regards regional economic accounts for agriculture**

*Adoption of the legislative act*

**STATEMENT BY FINLAND**

“Finland can not support the Regulation in its entirety, because in our opinion, the recital 6 can be interpreted as putting at risk the confidentiality of statistical data. In accordance with Regulation on European statistics ((EC) No 223/2009) and the European statistics Code of Practice, the national statistical authorities shall ensure the privacy of data providers.”

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