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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE (Part 2)

Europa building, Brussels

22 April 2026 (09:00)

Format 1+2+1 (+1 in listening room)

1. Adoption of the agenda
Approval of 'I' items in Annex

Discussion items (II)

General Affairs

2. Regulation establishing the European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), including the specific programme for defence research and innovation activities: access to funding
Guidance for further work 🗳️ 8276/26
3. Simplification of administrative burdens in environmental legislation (Omnibus VIII) 🗳️ 8254/26
 - a) Regulation on speeding-up environmental assessments (Permitting)
 - b) Directive on certain requirements for the establishment of the Infrastructure for Spatial Information (INSPIRE Directive)
 - c) Directive suspending the application of the rules on extended producer responsibility for waste, waste electrical and electronic equipment and single use plastic waste

- d) Regulation suspending the application of the rules on extended producer responsibility for batteries and waste batteries and packaging and packaging waste
- e) Directive on simplification and reduction of administrative burden
- f) Regulation on simplification and reduction of administrative burden

State of play and guidance for further work

- 4. Omnibus VII: Regulation amending Regulations on the simplification of the implementation of harmonised rules on artificial intelligence (Digital Omnibus on AI) 🗳️ 8260/26
Preparation for the trilogue

Foreign Affairs

- 5. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 21 April 2026: Follow-up
- 6. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 11 May 2026: Agenda
- 7. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Defence) on 12 May 2026: Agenda
- 8. Implementation of the EU-US joint statement of 21 August 2025 🗳️
 - a) Regulation on the adjustment of customs duties and opening of tariff quotas related to the import of certain goods originating in the US
 - b) Regulation on the non-application of customs duties on imports of certain goods
Preparation for the trilogue

Economic and Financial Affairs


- 9. Council Implementing Decision approving assistance to Ukraine in implementing the Ukrainian Financing Strategy 🗳️ 8102/26 + ADD 1
Preparation for the adoption

10. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 5
May 2026: Preparation

- a) Other items in connection with the Council meeting


Any other business

Non-discussion items (I)Institutional Affairs

11. **Minutes of Council meetings**  PV CONS
Approval
- a) ECOFIN 10.03.2026 7160/26 + ADD 1
- Appointments**
12. Nine members of the Committee of the Regions (PT) 7850/26
Adoption 7849/26
CDR
13. An alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (PL) 7927/26
Adoption 7925/26
CDR
14. An alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (NL) 7864/26
Adoption 7863/26
CDR
15. A member and an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (DE) 7583/26
Adoption 7581/26
CDR
- Other**
16. Attendance of a third party at the Simplification subgroup of the Antici Group on 24 April 2026 8247/26
Approval SIMPL
17. Attendance of third parties at the Asylum Working Party on 30 April 2026 7896/26
Approval JAI
18. Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal Working Party on Cyber Issues (Cyber) on 30 April 2026 8055/26
Approval CYBER
19. Attendance of third parties at the High-Level subgroup of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (COMP GRO) on 07 May 2026 8234/26
Approval COMPET

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| 20. | Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats (HWP ERCHT) on 28 April 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 8117/26
HYBRID
DISINFO |
| 21. | Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal files in the field of external relations (Horizontal questions) subgroup of the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors (RELEX) on 24 April 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 8239/26
GLOBAL
GATEWAY |

Transparency

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| 22. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 11/c/01/26
<i>Approval</i> | 7403/26 + ADD 1
API |
| 23. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 10/c/01/26
<i>Approval</i> | 7388/26
API |
| 24. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 12/c/01/26
<i>Approval</i> | 7406/26
API |
| 25. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 08/c/01/26
<i>Approval</i> | 6737/26
API |
| 26. | European Ombudsman inquiry 558/2026/SF
<i>Approval of a letter</i> |  7729/26
API |


Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 27. | New Croatian commemorative coin
<i>Information note</i> | 7881/26
UEM |
| 28. | Joint statement on the European Union Agency for Railways (ERA), the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA), the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the European Environment Agency (EEA)
<i>Approval</i> | 8271/26
8270/26
FIN |
| 29. | Joint statement on the dates for the budgetary procedure and modalities for the functioning of the Conciliation Committee in 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 8269/26
8268/26
FIN |

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| 30. | Council Implementing Decision amending the Implementing Decision of 28 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Slovenia
<i>Adoption</i> | ☐C 7859/26
7812/26 + ADD 1
ECOFIN |
| 31. | Council Decision approving the external auditors of the Bulgarian National Bank
<i>Adoption</i> | 8012/26
8011/26
UEM |
| 32. | ECA SR No 13/2026 on single market for services
<i>Designation of a Working Party</i>
<i>Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working party meeting</i> | ☐B 8214/26
FIN |
| 33. | Payment Service Package | ☐C 8220/26
EF |
| | a) Payment Services Regulation (PSR) | 8221/26 |
| | b) Payment Services Directive (PSD)
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> | 8222/26 |





Foreign Affairs

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| 34. | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Myanmar/Burma
<i>Adoption</i> | 7786/26
7783/26
7785/26
CORLX |
| 35. | Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations for the conclusion of a security of information agreement between the European Union and Armenia
<i>Adoption</i> | 8114/26
7974/26 + ADD 1
CSC |
| 36. | Regulation addressing the effects of global overcapacity on the Union steel market
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> | ☐C 8242/26 + ADD 1
POLCOM |
| 37. | (poss.) EU position on the International Law Commission (ILC) Draft articles on prevention and punishment of crimes against humanity
<i>Approval</i> | 7793/26
8277/26
COJUR |

38. Commission's intention to negotiate on behalf of the EU a Connectivity Partnership with Armenia  8309/26
Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument
Decision to use the written procedure COEST

Other items

39. Information assurance security policy on the approval and withdrawal process for cryptographic products for the protection of EU Classified Information 8156/26
CSCI
Approval

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-  First reading
-  Second reading
-  Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
-  Item based on a Commission proposal
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