

# The Slovenian Presidency

Slovenia took up the rotating Presidency of the Council of the European Union on July 1<sup>st</sup> and will be presiding until the end of December 2021. Its programme was published under the motto "Together. Resilient. Europe". Slovenia has confirmed that, in line with the Trio Presidency Programme, the **key priorities** of its Presidency are:

- Facilitating the EU's recovery and reinforce its resilience
- A reflection on the future of Europe
- The strengthening of the rule of law and European values
- Increasing security and stability in the European neighbourhood.

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#### **General Affairs:**

- The rule of law
- Proposals for new own resources
- The Conference on the Future of Europe
- Preparation of the next EU Strategic Agenda
- Strengthening EU-UK relations
- Implementation of the European Democracy Plan
- Regulation governing European political parties

#### **Hybrid Threats**

- Challenges faced by the Western Balkans
- EU-NATO cooperation
- Establishment of the EU-wide Joint Cyber Unit

#### **Cohesion policy**

- Preparation of strategic and programming documents
- Bringing cohesion policy closer to citizens

## **General Affairs**

#### **Key Dates**

July 8: Conference "The European Union as a Community of People"

July 22-23: Informal meeting\_of the European Affairs ministers

# September 21: General Affairs Council

- COVID-19 EU coordination
- EU-UK relations
- Regulation on common cyber security rules for EU institutions, bodies and agencies - Progress report
- · Conclusions on Joint Cyber Unit

October 1: "Smart Villages for a Green, Digital and Resilient Europe" International Conference

#### October 19: General Affairs Council

 Annual rule of law dialogue: horizontal discussion

- Conference on the Future of Europe
- · Conclusions on resilience

October 21-22: European Council

October 30-31: G20 Rome Summit

# **November 18:** General Affairs Council (Cohesion)

 Implementation of cohesion policy: lessons learnt from 2014-2020 programming period and opportunities and challenges for the coming years

## November 23: General Affairs

- COVID-19 EU coordination
- Conclusions on the Enlargement and Stabilisation and Association process

- Annual rule of law dialogue: country-specific discussion
- Conference on the Future of Europe
- European Semester 2022 -Roadmap

# **December 14: General Affairs Council**

- EU-UK relations
- Rule of law in Poland/Article 7(1)
   TEU reasoned proposal
- Values of the Union in Hungary/ Article 7(1) TEU reasoned proposal
- Conference on the Future of Europe
- European Democracy Action Plan

**December 16-17: European Council** 





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#### **Foreign Affairs:**

- · Relations with the US
- The Strategic Compass
- Relations with NATO
- The Western Balkans
- The Eastern Partnership
- The Indo-Pacific Strategy
- China
- A new strategic agreement with the African Union
- The external aspects of migration and asylum policy

#### **Defence:**

- Capacity building
- Crisis management
- Military mobility
- Hybrid threats
- Cyber security
- EU-NATO cooperation
- CSDP and the Western Balkans
- Energy efficiency in the Defence Sector

#### Trade:

- The reform of the WTO
- The WTO MC12
- The multilateral talks on fisheries subsidies
- Plurilateral talks on e-commerce, domestic services legislation, trade facilitation for SMEs and on investment facilitation for development
- Bilateral trade relations with the US and China
- FTAs with Mercosur, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and Chile
- Strengthening trade cooperation with
- India and the African continent
- The international public procurement instrument
- The reform of the GSP
- The anti-coercion instrument

#### **Development and Humanitarian Aid:**

- The SDGs and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- A comprehensive approach to water
- The use of NDICI to examine the impact of the pandemic
- Completion of internal EU procedures to sign a new comprehensive agreement with the ACP countries



# Foreign Affairs, Security & Trade

#### **Key Dates**

#### July 12: Foreign Affairs Council

- Geopolitics of New Technologies
- Strategic Compass
- Ethiopia

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# **September 1-2: Informal meeting of defence ministers**

**September 2:** Informal meeting of foreign affairs ministers - Gymnich

September 9: Inter-parliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy

#### **October 18: Foreign Affairs Council**

- Eastern Partnership
- Afghanistan
- Middle East Peace Process (MEPP)

# November 11: Foreign Affairs Council (Trade)

- WTO reform and preparations for the 12th WTO Ministerial Conference
- Trade relations with the US
- Other bilateral trade relations and negotiations

# **November 15:** Foreign Affairs Council

- Gulf
- Libya

# **November 16:** Foreign Affairs Council (Defence)

Strategic Compass

# November 19: Foreign Affairs Council (Development)

- Water
- Humanitarian-development-peace

# November 29: Foreign Affairs Council (Trade)

 12th World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference

#### November 30 - December 3: 12<sup>th</sup> WTO Ministerial Conference (MC12)

# **December 13:** Foreign Affairs Council

Venezuela



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#### **Economic Affairs:**

- Implementation of the Recovery and
- Resilience Facility
- Adoption of the EU Budget for 2022
- Adjusted implementation of the common fiscal rules

#### **Financial Services:**

- Banking Union
- Implementation of the Basel III standards
- Anti-money laundering and terrorist financing
- Digital Finance Package

- European Green Bond Standard
- Solvency II review
- Capital Markets Union
- Taxation
- Digital taxation
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism
- Energy taxation
- DAC 8
- Update of the list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes
- Reforming the mandate of the Code of Conduct Group

### **Economic & Financial Affairs**

#### **Key Dates**

July 12: Eurogroup

# July 13: Economic and Financial Affairs Council

- Anti Money Laundering legislative package—Policy debate
- Sustainable Finance package -Policy debate
- Economic Recovery in Europe
- European Semester 2021: Conclusions on the 2021 in-depth reviews

# July 20-21: High-Level Conference on Taxes

# July 23: Economic and Financial Affairs Council (Budget)

Union's Budget for 2022 - Council's position—Policy debate

#### **September 10: Eurogroup**

September 10-11: Informal meeting of economic and financial affairs ministers

September 28: Inter-parliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in European Union

**October 4: Eurogroup** 

# October 5: Economic and Financial Affairs Council

- Implementation of the final set of Basel III reforms—Policy debate
- Solvency II—Policy debate
- Conclusions on climate finance in view of the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26)
- European Semester 2021: Lessons learnt and a way forward in the context of the Recovery and Resilience Facility
- Implementation of the SURE instrument
- Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility
- Conclusions on the revision of the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes

#### **November 8: Eurogroup**

# November 9: Economic and Financial Affairs Council

- · Digital levy—Political agreement
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism— Policy debate
- Energy Taxation Directive
- Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility
- Conclusions on the future of the European Semester in the context of the Recovery and Resilience Facility

# November 12: Economic and Financial Affairs Council (Budget)

 Union Budget for 2022 -Preparation of the meeting of the Conciliation Committee with the European Parliament

#### **December 6: Eurogroup**

# **December 7: Economic and Financial Affairs Council**

- Revision of the bank crisis management and deposit insurance framework (CMDI package) - Policy debate
- Strengthening of the Banking Union—Progress report
- Capital Markets Union legislative package - Policy debate
- Solvency II Policy debate/Progress Report
- Anti-money-laundering legislative package—Progress report
- European Semester 2022
- Economic Governance Review
- Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility
- Conclusions on Code of Conduct (Business Taxation)
- ECOFIN Report to the European Council on tax issues



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#### **Home Affairs:**

- Operationalisation of the Regulation on the European Boarder and Coast Guard
- The reform of the Europol Regulation
- The resilience of critical entities
- The Union Civil Protection Mechanism
- Establishing the Union Civil Protection Knowledge Network

#### The migration and asylum system:

- Strengthening partnerships with countries of origin, transit and destination
- Cooperation on return and readmission
- EU field coordination in third countries

#### The Schengen Area:

- Regulation on the Schengen Evaluation Mechanism
- The Schengen Borders Code

#### Partnership with the Western Balkans:

- Transposition of EU standards
- Support for migration management
- Enhanced police cooperation

#### Justice:

- · Combatting hate speech and hate online
- EU strategy on the Rights of the Child
- EU's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights
- Impact of AI tools on fundamental rights

#### Digitalisation of justice:

- The e-CODEX system
- EU's accession to the Hague
- Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Judgements
- The e-evidence legislative package

# Justice & Home Affairs

#### **Key Dates**

July 14-16: Informal meeting of justice and home affairs ministers

## October 7-8: Justice and Home Affairs Council

- Conclusions on the EU Strategy on the rights of the child
- Setting up of the European Public Prosecutor's Office
- Rule of law developments in the field of justice
- · Pre-trial detention
- Border Screening Regulation -General approach
- Regulation on amending Eurodac Regulation - General approach
- External dimension of migration
- Schengen governance

# November 1: High-level Interparliamentary Conference on Migration and Asylum in Europe

# **December 9-10:** Justice and Home Affairs Council

 Regulation amending the Regulation (EU) No 1053/2013 establishing the Schengen Evaluation Mechanism - Political agreement

- Regulation on SIS consequential amendments - Europol - Political agreement
- Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794 on Europol - Political Agreement
- The future EU Police Cooperation Code
- Directive on the Resilience of critical entities General approach
- Asylum and Migration Management
- Regulation General approach/ Information from the Presidency
- Asylum Procedure Regulation -General approach/Information from the Presidency
- Internal security and technological development
- Conclusions on stepping up police cooperation on missing persons
- Regulation on European Production and Preservation Orders for e-evidence - Progress report
- Regulation amending Regulation 168/2007 establishing the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights -Agreement in principle

- Regulation on e-CODEX regulation system and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/172 - Progress report
- Recommendation on opening negotiations for the conclusion of an instrument on the judicial sale of ships (UNCITRAL) - Progress report
- Regulation replacing Annexes A and B to Regulation (EU) 2015/848 on insolvency proceedings -Political agreement
- Decision on EU accession to the Judgements Convention
- Setting up of the European Public Prosecutor's Office
- Rule of law developments in the field of justice
- EU accession to the European Convention on Human Rights

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#### **Health:**

- Development and implementation of innovative solutions for resilient health systems
- Preparation of pandemic preparedness plans
- The development of the European Health Union
- The EU and global health
- The European Cancer Plan
- Strengthening the role of the EMA and the ECDC
- Serious cross-border health threats
- Establishing a Health Emergency Response Authority
- Implementing the European Medicines Strategy
- Availability and accessibility of medicines
- Address the shortage of drugs in the filed of antimicrobials, generics and older oncology drugs

# Employment, social affairs and equal opportunities

- The European Pillar of Social Rights
- Strengthening social Europe
- Effects of demographic change on the labour markets
- Promoting quality work for a quality life for all generations
- The new Strategic Framework for Safety and Health at Work
- The Skills Agenda
- The Gender Equality Strategy
- The EU strategy on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- Ageing
- The minimum pay framework
- The wage transparency initiative
- The impact of digitalisation and AI on gender equality on the labour market
- Coordination of social security systems



# Employment, Social Policy, Health & Consumer Affairs

#### **Key Dates**

July 8-9: Informal meeting of employment and social affairs ministers

July 15: High-Level Conference on Introducing Innovative Solutions for Resilient Healthcare systems

September 3: Conference on Occupational Exposure to Carcinogens in Hospitals: Protection of Workers

September 23-24: Informal Meeting of Consumer Protection Ministers

October 4-5: Informal meeting of health ministers

#### October 15: Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council (Employment and social policy)

- Directive on adequate minimum wages in the European Union -General approach
- European Semester
- Implementation of the European Pillar of Social Rights - Policy debate
- European framework for health and safety at work - Policy debate
- Conclusions on Gender Mainstreaming in the EU Budget
- A long-term vision for rural areas
- Tripartite Social Summit

# October 20: Tripartite Social Summit

# December 6-7: Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council (Employment and social policy and Health)

- Directive on adequate minimum wages in the European Union -General approach
- Directive on binding pay transparency measures -General approach
- Directive on gender balance on company boards - General approach(1) / Progress report
- Directive on equal treatment (Article 19) - Progress report
- European Semester 2022
- Council Decision authorising Member States to ratify the 2019 ILO Convention on Violence and Harassment
- Conclusions on quality work for life
- Conclusions on the impact of digitalisation/ artificial intelligence on gender equality in the labour market
- Revision of Regulations on Coordination of Social Security systems
- Directive on carcinogens and mutagens at work
- Improving working conditions of platform workers
- · Action plan for the social economy
- A European approach to microcredentials for lifelong learning and employability

#### Health:

- Proposal for a Regulation on a European Health Emergency Response Authority (HERA) -General approach / (poss.) Progress report (poss.) Policy debate
- Conclusions on implementing innovative solutions, including on shortages of medicines, for resilient Health Systems
- Regulation on a reinforced role for the European Medicines
   Agency in crisis preparedness and management for medicinal products and medical devices
- Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing a European Centre for disease prevention and control
- Regulation on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU
- European Health Data Space
- Pharmaceutical strategy for Europe
- Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- COVID-19
- WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco control (FCTC): Ninth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP9) (The Hague, 8-13 November 2021)



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#### **Internal Market and Industry:**

- The Digital Package (the DSA and the DMA)
- Strategic report on the Implementation of the Internal Market Action Plan
- · Revision of the Machinery Directive
- Common chargers for mobile phones
- The Corporate Sustainable Reporting Directive
- Directive on the Legal Protection of Databases
- Standardisation
- Updating state aid rules

#### The new Consumer Agenda:

- The Consumer Credit Directive
- Consumer empowerment for the green transition
- The General Product Safety Directive

#### **The Industrial Strategy:**

- Recovery
- The dual transition
- SMEs
- Strategic Autonomy
- The state and recovery of some industrial ecosystems

# Revitalisation, Recovery and Resilience of the Tourism Sector

 Work on the preparation of a medium and long-term EU Tourism Agenda

#### **Research and Space:**

- Establishment of institutionalised partnerships
- · High-performance computing
- Metrology
- Accession of third countries to Horizon Europe
- Global Approach to Research and Innovation
- Adoption of a Pact for Research and Innovation
- Horizon Europe Missions
- The New European Bauhaus movement
- Gender equality in research

#### Space:

- Promote the use of space infrastructure
- Greater EU autonomy
- Space traffic management



# Competitiveness & Internal Market

#### **Key Dates**

July 6: Conference on Horizon Europe - Widening Participation and Spreading Excellence

July 8: Conference on "Deepening the European Research Area (ERA) through Gender Equality"

July 19: Informal meeting of competitiveness ministers (Research)

July 21-22: Informal meeting of competitiveness ministers (Internal market and industry)

# September 28: Competitiveness Council (Research)

- Conclusions on the global approach to research and innovation
- Governance and implementation of the European Research Area
- Association of 3rd countries to Horizon Europe

# September 29: Competitiveness Council (Internal market and industry)

- Future-proof policy making for the competitiveness of the EU and further fostering of the Single Market: Joining forces to make better laws
- Annual Report of the Single Market Enforcement Task Force (SMET)

#### November 25: Competitiveness Council (Internal market and industry)

- Regulation on Digital Services Act -General approach
- Regulation on Digital Markets Act -General approach
- Directive as regards corporate sustainability reporting -Progress report
- Implementation of the Recovery Plan for Europe
- 2021 Annual Report of the SME Envoy

- Network to the Competitiveness Council
- The work of the Industrial Forum

# November 26: Competitiveness Council (Research and space)

- Conclusions on Governance and implementation of the European Research Area
- Research and innovation in achieving cross- sectoral objectives
- Institutional European Partnerships
- Declaration on gender equality
- Conclusions on space for everyone
- Space Traffic Management





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#### **Telecommunications:**

- · Horizontal Act on Al
- The Data Governance Act
- The Data Act
- The Roaming Regulation
- The ePrivacy Regulation
- The eID Regulation

#### **Cyber Resilience and Security**

- The NIS 2 Directive
- Implementing the EU cybersecurity strategy
- Establishing the European Cybersecurity Competence Centre
- Developing European cybersecurity certification schemes
- Security of internet-connected devices
- Cyber resilience of the Western Balkans
- EU-NATO Cooperation
- Cyber diplomacy
- Cyber defence

#### **Energy:**

- The Renewable Energy Directive
- The Energy Efficiency Directive
- The Energy Performance of Buildings Directive
- TEN-E
- Revision of the Third Energy Package for gas
- The proposal on methane
- The potential of safe nuclear energy

#### **Transport:**

- Post-pandemic recovery of the sector
- Transition to sustainable and innovative mobility
- The European Year in Rail and increasing rail freight and passenger transport
- The Smart and Sustainable Mobility Strategy
- Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Directive
- Refuel Aviation



# Transport, Telecommunications & Energy

#### **Work Programme**

- Refuel Maritime
- Recast of the Intelligent Transport Systems
- TEN-T
- Proposal to revise railway corridors
- Connectivity with the Western Balkans
- Single European Sky II
- Regulation of air traffic management capacities

- Protection of passenger rights
- Common rules on compensation and assistance to passengers in the event of denied boarding, cancellation or long delay of flights

#### **Key Dates**

July 20: Conference on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence - From the Perspective of Ethical and Fundamental Rights

September 2-3: Cyber Security Conference

September 13-15: Conference on Trust in Artificial Intelligence Excellence

September 21-23: Informal meeting of transport and energy ministers

#### **September 30-October 1:**

Conference "Space for a green and digital recovery"

# December 2: Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (Energy)

- Fit for 55 package (legislative initiatives for the implementation of the updated 2030 climate target)
  - Policy debate / Progress report

- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on guidelines for trans- European energy infrastructure
- Recent developments in the field of external energy relations

# December 3: Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (Telecommunications)

- Regulation on Artificial Intelligence Act and amending certain Union legislative acts - General approach / Progress report
- Regulation as regards establishing a framework for a European Digital Identity - Progress report
- Proposal for a Digital Policy Programme - Progress report
- · Digital rights and principles
- Regulation on e-Privacy
- · Data Governance Act
- · Roaming Regulation
- Directive on measures for a high common level of cybersecurity
- Proposal for a Data Act
- Proposal for a Regulation on Common cyber security rules for EU institutions, bodies and agencies

# December 9: Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (Transport)

- Proposal for a Directive amending Directive 2014/94/EU on the deployment of alternative fuels infrastructure - General approach / Progress report
- Proposal for a Regulation on ReFuelEU Aviation - General approach/Progress report
- · Proposal for ReFuelEU Maritime -
- Progress report
- Proposal for a Revision of Regulation on Union Guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (TEN-T) - Policy debate
- Proposal for a Revision of the Directive on intelligent transport systems (ITS) - Policy debate
- Proposal for an urban mobility package - Policy debate
- Regulation on European Single Sky (SES2+)
- · Hired vehicles
- Recognition of third country certificates for inland waterways



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#### **Food and Agriculture**

- Communication on the contingency plan to ensure food supply and food security
- Competitiveness of farmers in the food supply chain
- Origin labelling
- Organic farming
- The Farm to Fork Strategy
- The Global UN Food Systems Summit
- Reform of the CAP
- Agricultural statistics
- Development of rural areas
- Plant health
- Prevention of the introduction of dangerous plant diseases and pests
- SPS in trade agreements
- Animal welfare
- Digitisation of the veterinary sector

#### **Forestry:**

- The EU Forest Strategy 2020
- Combatting illegal logging and the related trade
- Forest biodiversity preservation

#### **Fisheries:**

- Fisheries controls
- Fishing opportunities for 2022 for the North Sea, the Baltic Sea, the Mediterranean, the Black Sea and the Atlantic
- Negotiations with the UK and Norway
- Extension of the access regime under the basic regulation of the CFP
- · Agreements with Iceland and Greenland

# Agriculture, Food & Fisheries

#### **Key Dates**

# July 19: Agriculture and Fisheries Council

- Conclusions on the Commission Communication on the organic action plan
- Trade-related agricultural issues
- Post 2020 CAP reform package
- Communication from the Commission on the European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) "End the Cage Age"

August 19-21: International Ministerial Conference in the margins of the AGRA Fair

September 5-7: Informal meeting of agriculture and fisheries ministers

# October 11-12: Agriculture and Fisheries Council

- The EU Forestry Strategy
- Council Regulation fixing for 2022 the fishing opportunities applicable in the Baltic Sea -Political agreement
- Fishing opportunities 2022: Fish stocks shared with the UK

- EU-Norway: Annual consultations for 2022
- ICCAT annual meeting
- Preparation of CAP strategic plans
- Trade-related agricultural issues
- Market situation
- Agricultural products revision of EU marketing standards
- Fit for 55 (legislative initiatives for the implementation of the updated 2030 climate target): Contribution of Agriculture and Forestry
- Proposal for a Regulation on minimising the risk of deforestation and forest degradation associated with products placed on the EU market
- · Pollinators and agriculture

# **November 15:** Agriculture and Fisheries Council

- Fishing opportunities 2022: Fish stocks shared with the UK
- Conclusions on the EU Forestry strategy
- Contingency plan for ensuring food supply and food security
- Improving the position of farmers in the food chain

# December 13-14: Agriculture and Fisheries Council

- Proposal on the revision of geographical indications
- Proposal on minimising the risk of deforestation and forest degradation associated with products placed on the EU market -Progress report
- Council Regulation fixing for 2022 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Union waters and, for Union fishing vessels, in certain non Union waters - Political agreement
- Council Regulation fixing for 2022 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks in the Mediterranean and Black Seas - Political agreement
- Trade-related agricultural issues
- Communication on the EU carbon farming initiative
- Regulation amending various Regulations as regards fisheries control
- Proposal for a Regulation on feed additives



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#### Implementation of the Green Deal

#### The Fit for 55 package

#### **Coordination of the EU position at COP26**

# Reducing the EU's dependency on key raw materials

#### The Circular Economy

- Legislative act on batteries
- Revision of the Waste Shipment Regulation

#### **Biodiversity**

- Preparation of COP15
- The EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030
- Pollinators

#### **Key Dates**

# July 20-21: Informal meeting of environment ministers

#### **October 6: Environment Council**

- Fit for 55 package (legislative initiatives for the implementation of the updated 2030 climate target)
  - Exchange of views
- Conclusions on the preparations for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) meetings
- Conclusions on the preparations for the Convention on Biological Diversity meetings
- EU strategy on Forests
- Proposal for a Regulation on minimizing the risk of deforestation and forest degradation associated with products placed on the EU market

 Report on the implementation of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 concerning biocidal products

# October 11-24: UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15)

#### October 31 - November 12:

26<sup>th</sup> UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26)

#### **December 20: Environment Council**

- Regulation on batteries and waste batteries - General approach / Progress report
- Fit for 55 package (legislative initiatives for the implementation of the updated 2030 climate target)
   Progress reports /Policy debate
- EU Soil Strategy

- Proposal for a Regulation on minimizing the risk of deforestation and forest degradation associated with products placed on the EU market
- Proposal for a revision of the Regulation on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)
- Proposal for a Regulation on shipments of waste
- Sustainable Product Policy and Green Claims Initiatives



# Education, Youth, Culture & Sports

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### **Work Programme**

#### **Education:**

- New ways of learning and teaching— Digital transformation
- Digital competences of educators
- Development of digitisation and AI and ethics in educational processes
- The Digital Education Action Plan
- Blended learning for High-Quality and Inclusive Primary and Secondary Education
- Plan for the Transformation of Higher Education
- Cooperation between higher education and science
- Development of the European Universities Initiative
- European Agenda for Adult Learning
- Management of the strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training

#### Youth:

- Implementation of the Youth Strategy
- EU Youth dialogue
- Volunteer mobility
- Cross-border solidarity

#### **Culture:**

- The green and digital future of culture
- The new European Bauhaus
- Competitiveness of European audio- visual and media contents
- Freedom of the media
- · Fight against fake news

#### Sport:

- The European model of sport
- Impact of the pandemic on the organised sport system
- Lifelong physical activity
- Revision of the 2019 WADA Resolution

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#### **Key Dates**

August 24: 7th Slovenian Principals'
Conference: Raising Quality and
Efficiency with Leadership for
Learning

September 8-9: "A Resilient Response to Future Challenges" Adult Learning Conference

September 12-15: "Future Unlocked! - Cultural and Creative Sectors as Agents of Change" High-Level Conference

September 27-29: EU Youth Conference

#### November 29: Education, Youth, Culture and Sports Council (Education and youth)

- Recommendation on blended learning for high quality and inclusive primary and secondary education
- Resolution on a New European Agenda for adult learning

- Resolution on establishing the governance structure and mechanism for European Cooperation in Education and Training within the Strategic Framework
- Green transition in Education and Training
- Conclusions on the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy 2019-2021
- Resolution on the EU Youth Strategy Work Plan 2022-2024
- Civic Spaces for Young People
- Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on education and training: state of play
- Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on youth: state of play

#### November 30: Education, Youth, Culture and Sports Council (Sport and culture)

 Conclusions on the high-quality architecture and built environment

- Conclusions on the availability and competitiveness of European audiovisual and media content
- Facing the consequences of Covid-19 pandemic on cultural and creative sectors
- Resolution on the European Model of Sport
- Conclusions on lifelong physical activity
- Athletes' dual careers
- Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on sport





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