

The Week Ahead 09 – 15 September 2019

Agenda

Committee and political group meetings, Brussels

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Brexit. The EP's President and political groups' leaders (the Conference of Presidents) will discuss with EU chief negotiator Michel Barnier the state of play in the Brexit process (*Thursday*).

Replacement of two Commissioners. EP committees' chairs (the Conference of Committee Chairs) will hold an exchange of views with the Romanian and Estonian Commissioners-designate, who have been put forward to join the outgoing Juncker Commission for the remainder of its term (*Wednesday*).

Plenary preparations. Political groups will prepare for 16-19 September session in Strasbourg, where MEPs will debate Council's proposal for the EU budget for 2020 and vote on whether to recommend Christine Lagarde as the new President of the European Central Bank (ECB). They will also be voting on the mobilisation of 293.5 million euros from the EU Solidarity Fund for natural disaster aid in Italy, Romania and Austria. Political groups will also draft their written questions to commissioner-designates, in the run-up to the parliamentary hearings.

President's diary. EP President David Sassoli will meet Spain's Minister for Foreign Affairs Josep Borrell on Monday, UEFA General Secretary Theodore Theodoridis on Tuesday as well as Maurizio Landini, Secretary General of CGIL (Italian General Confederation of Labour), on Wednesday.

Pre-session press briefing. The EP Press Service will hold a press briefing with the EP's political group spokespersons at 11.00 on Friday (*Anna Politkovskaya room, press centre, Brussels*).

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Monday 09/09/2019

THE PRESIDENT'S DIARY

The President's agenda

Meeting with Josep Borrell, Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs

PRESS CONFERENCES

10:30-11:00 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

"Food: Nutri-score soon to be mandatory in Europe?"

Michèle RIVASI (Greens/EFA, FR), Serge HERCBERG

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

15:00-17:45 *Brussels, József Antall, 4Q1*

Subcommittee on Human Rights

- Discussion with Eamon Gilmore, EU Special Representative for Human Rights
- Discussion with Lotte Knudsen, Managing Director Global - Human Rights, Global and Multilateral Issues, EEAS

15:00-18:30 *Brussels, József Antall, 6Q2*

Subcommittee on Security and Defence

- Discussion with Pedro Serrano, Deputy Secretary-General, European External Action Service (EEAS) and Maj.-Gen. Giovanni Manione, Deputy Director-General, EU Military Staff (EUMS)
- Discussion with Rory Keane, Head of the United Nations Liaison Office for Peace and Security (UNLOPS)
- Discussion with Antonio Missiroli, Assistant Secretary General for Emerging Security Challenges at NATO

Tuesday 10/09/2019

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Meeting with Theodore Theodoridis, UEFA General Secretary

Wednesday 11/09/2019

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Meeting with Maurizio Landini, Secretary General of CGIL

PRESS CONFERENCES

10:30-11:00 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

"Presentation of the campaign Cultivation the Taste of Europe"

Clara AGUILERA (S&D, ES)

12:00-12:30 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

"Smart grids towards 100% renewables"

Daniel BUDA (EPP, RO)

Thursday 12/09/2019

PRESS CONFERENCES

12:15-13:15 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

David SASSOLI, President of the European Parliament, on “Brexit and other topical issues”

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

09:00-12:30 *Brussels, Altiero Spinelli, 5G-3*

Committee on Budgetary Control

09:00-17:30 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 3C050*

Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

Debates

- 10th anniversary of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights - presentation of 2018 Annual Report on the Application of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights by DG JUST, European Commission and Fundamental Rights report by the Director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights **(09.00-09.40)**
- Feedback on progress in fighting disinformation and the state of play of the security of 5G networks in the EU - presentation by Julian KING, Commissioner for the Security Union **(09.40-11.15)**

Joint debate with the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (11.15-12.00)

- Preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims: second report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the progress made in the fight against trafficking in human beings (2018) as required under Article 20 of Directive 2011/36/EU - presentation by Myria VASSILIADOU, EU Anti Trafficking Coordinator, European Commission

Afternoon

Debates

Presentation of the activities of the Justice and Home Affairs (JHA) agencies - Frontex

- European Border and Coast Guard (Frontex) - presentation of the tasks and activities of Frontex by Fabrice LEGGERI, Executive Director of Frontex and discussion on the Vulnerability Assessment - Biannual Report 1/2019 **(14.00-15.15)**
- EU's participation as an observer in the Council of Europe's Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) - presentation by the Commission **(15.15-16.00)**
- Commission report on the joint review of the implementation of the EU-US Terrorist Finance Tracking Programme (TFTP) Agreement - presentation by Laurent MUSCHEL, Director "Security" DG HOME, European Commission **(16.00-16.45)**
- Guidance on the Regulation on a framework for the free flow of non-personal data in the EU - presentation by the Commission **(16.45-17.30)**

Friday 13/09/2019

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11:00-11:30 *Brussels, Paul-Henri Spaak, 0A050*

Pre-session briefing