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Climate change: Parliament to push for faster EU action and energy independence

MEPs will debate and vote on key EU draft laws to combat climate change by drastically reducing greenhouse gas emissions and to protect jobs and citizens.

On Wednesday, in two voting sessions at 12.30 and 17.00, following plenary debates on Tuesday, Parliament is set to adopt its position on eight proposals that are part of the [“Fit for 55 in 2030 package”](#). This is the EU’s plan to cut greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030 compared to 1990 levels and have net-zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (climate neutrality) by 2050, in line with [the European Climate Law](#). The texts approved will be Parliament’s mandate for negotiations with EU governments on the final laws.

The files are:

[Emissions Trading System \(ETS\) reform](#) including [revision of the ETS as regards aviation](#) and [CORSA](#)

- Free allowances for industries phased out more quickly and citizens included later in ETS II

[EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism \(CBAM\)](#)

- Broader scope and faster implementation in new carbon leakage instrument

[Greenhouse gas emissions in other sectors \(effort sharing\)](#)

- Stricter trajectory, more transparency and less flexibility for member states’ greenhouse gas emissions in other sectors

[CO2 emission standards for cars and vans](#)

- A pathway towards zero-emission road mobility in 2035 for new passenger cars and light commercial vehicles

[Land use, land use change and forestry sector \(LULUCF\)](#)

- New EU carbon sinks goal will de facto increase EU 2030 reduction target to 57%

[Social Climate Fund](#)

- A new fund to help those most affected by energy and mobility poverty cope with the increased costs of the energy transition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Procedure Codes: 2021/0211(COD) 2021/0207(COD) 2021/0204(COD) 2021/0214(COD) 2021/0200(COD) 2021/0197(COD) 2021/0201(COD) 2021/0206(COD)

Procedure: Ordinary legislative procedure

Debates: Tuesday, 7 June 2022

Votes: Wednesday, 8 June 2022

Press conference: Wednesday, 8 June, 14.30 , with Pascal CANFIN (Renew, FR), Chair of the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI) Committee

Further information

[EP press release: "Climate change: MEPs push for accelerated EU action and energy independence" \(17.05.2022\)](#)

[Video: "Fit for 55 in 2030 - Vote on key climate package proposals: Statement by Pascal CANFIN \(Renew, FR\) - Chair of the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Committee"](#)

[Press release: "EU Climate Law: MEPs confirm deal on climate neutrality by 2050" \(24.06.2021\)](#)

[EP Think Tank: Climate action in the European Union: Latest state of play \(14.12.2021\)](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material The European Green Deal](#)

Ukraine war: EU summit's results, Rada Speaker and question time with Borrell

On Wednesday, MEPs will debate the outcome of the last EU summit on Ukraine. On the same day, Ukrainian Verkhovna Rada Speaker Ruslan Stefanchuk will address plenary.

In a debate with Presidents Charles Michel and Ursula von der Leyen (tbc), Parliament will assess the conclusions of the extraordinary European Council of 30-31 May, where EU heads of state or government agreed on a sixth sanctions package on Russia over its war of aggression against Ukraine. The new package includes, among other things, a ban on the import of Russian seaborne oil while granting a temporary exemption for pipeline imports.

Later in the morning, at 11.30, the Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada (parliament) of Ukraine, Ruslan Stefanchuk, will speak to MEPs in person during a formal sitting in the Strasbourg hemicycle.

On Tuesday afternoon, MEPs will quiz EU Foreign Policy Chief Josep Borrell on the EU's efforts to address the impact of the war in Ukraine on third countries. The debate will be organised in the "question time" format, in which MEPs pose brief consecutive questions to the High Representative.

Debates/formal sitting: Tuesday 7 June and Wednesday 8 June

Procedure: Question time with the High Representative, Statements by the European Council and the Commission, and formal sitting

Further information

[European Council conclusions, 30-31 May 2022](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material \(Russian aggression against Ukraine\)](#)

“This is Europe”: Irish Taoiseach Micheál Martin to address Parliament

MEPs will discuss the European Union and its future prospects on Wednesday at 9.00 with Ireland’s Taoiseach Micheál Martin.

This will be the third in a series of debates on the EU labelled “This is Europe”. In March, MEPs welcomed [Estonian Prime Minister Kaja Kallas](#) and in May, they exchanged views with [Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi](#).

Following Mr Martin’s speech, there will be a round of interventions by political group leaders.

Micheál Martin became Taoiseach on 27 June 2020. He has previously been Minister for Foreign Affairs, Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Health, and Education in different Governments.

Further information

[Micheál Martin biography](#)

Future of Europe: proposals to amend the EU Treaties

MEPs are set to call on Thursday for a first set of specific changes to the European Union's founding documents, to ensure citizens' expectations will be met.

The draft resolution will be debated and put to the vote on Thursday. Throughout the 12 months of the Conference on the Future of Europe, a few key areas of institutional reform were brought up, such as the abolition of unanimity voting in the Council in most areas, and the expansion of EU powers in health and energy, among others. MEPs are expected to focus on some of these in the draft resolution.

The resolution is to be adopted ahead of the 23-24 June European Council summit, where the EU's leaders may officially start the process of revising the EU Treaties by setting up a Convention. The Commission is also expected to announce how it intends to follow up on the Conference in mid-June. Parliament's Committee on Constitutional Affairs will continue working on a complementary report that will set out the entire range of MEPs' positions on how the Treaties should change, taking into consideration all of the Conference's proposals that require institutional reform.

Background

In a closing ceremony on 9 May in Strasbourg, EP President Roberta Metsola, French President Emmanuel Macron on behalf of the Council Presidency, and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen received from the Co-Chairs of the Conference [Executive Board](#) its final [report](#). This includes [49 proposals comprising more than 300 measures across 9 themes](#), based on 178 recommendations from the [European Citizens' Panels](#), input from the [National Panels and events](#), ideas from the [European Youth Event](#), and 43 734 contributions on 16 274 ideas recorded on the [multilingual digital platform](#).

Debate: Thursday, 9 June 2022

Vote: Thursday, 9 June 2022

Procedure: non-legislative resolution

Further information

[The Conference on the Future of Europe concludes its work](#)

[Future of Europe: Conference Plenary ambitious proposals point to Treaty review](#)

[EP Research Service - At A Glance: The Conference on the Future of Europe \(20.01.2022\)](#)

[Legislative train](#)

[Process of the Conference on the Future of Europe](#)

[Timeline of the Conference on the Future of Europe](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material \(Conference on the Future of Europe\)](#)

LUX Audience award winner to be announced in Strasbourg

On Wednesday 8 June at noon, the LUX European Audience Film Award 2022 winner will be announced in the European Parliament hemicycle.

Representatives of the [three films shortlisted](#) for the award will be in Strasbourg and will address MEPs. They are set to speak about the lessons to be drawn from the stories portrayed in their movies.

MEPs will also hear from a guest of honour, Srebrenica survivor [Ms Munira Subašić](#), who will travel to Strasbourg with the creators of the film “Quo Vadis Aida?”.

[Find out about opportunities for media to interview and interact with representatives of the films here.](#)

Background

The winner of the [LUX Audience Award](#) – jointly awarded by Parliament and the [European Film Academy](#), in partnership with the European Commission and the [Europa Cinemas](#) network – is selected jointly by MEPs and a European audience (each accounting for 50% of the final decision).

Award ceremony: Wednesday 8 June at noon

Press conference: Wednesday 8 June (tbc)

Further information

[Free photo, video and audio material: LUX Award 2022](#)

[Apply for interviews with LUX Award nominees by filling in this form](#)

[Press release: Flee, Great Freedom and Quo Vadis Aida? will compete for LUX Audience Award](#)

Concerns over Commission's "green light" for €35.4 billion to Poland

MEPs will quiz President von der Leyen on the Commission's support for the release to Poland of recovery funds while threats to the rule of law persist.

Following the [Commission endorsement of Poland's €35.4 billion recovery and resilience plan](#), MEPs will question Ursula von der Leyen on this decision in light of [long-standing concerns](#) and persisting problems around the rule of law in the country. They are particularly worried about judicial independence (with judges being harassed, persecuted and sanctioned), the failure to implement multiple CJEU and ECHR rulings, and the [Polish Constitutional Court's decision](#) proclaiming the primacy of [national law over the EU Treaties](#). The Polish government has announced some measures to address the situation. But even those are yet to be implemented, and many MEPs are set to denounce the measures as "too little, too late".

Background

In 2017, the Commission initiated a procedure under [Article 7](#) to address a possible risk of breach of EU values in Poland. Parliament has since repeatedly asked the Council to act, and in 2020 [warned about further backsliding](#). The situation has deteriorated further since, including through the criminalisation of sexual education and a [de facto ban on abortion](#). MEPs have [repeatedly called for the activation of the conditionality mechanism](#) to protect the EU budget from breaches of the rule of law in Poland.

Debate: Tuesday, 7 June 2022

Procedure: Council and Commission statements followed by debate

Further information

[EU values in Poland: MEPs wrap-up fact-finding visit to Warsaw](#)

[EP resolution on the Rule of law crisis in Poland and the primacy of EU law \(21.10.2021\)](#)

[EP resolution on determination of a clear risk of a serious breach by Poland of the rule of law \(17.09.2020\)](#)

[Rule of law concerns: how the EU can act \(infographic\)](#)

[European Commission 2021 Rule of Law Report - Country Chapter Poland](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material \(the rule of law in Poland\)](#)

War in Ukraine: MEPs want EU to push ahead with its foreign policy commitments

In response to Russia's war in Ukraine, MEPs are set to call for the Versailles Declaration to be implemented more quickly through a step-change in EU foreign policy.

In a set of recommendations to EU member states and [Josep Borrell](#), the EU's Foreign Policy Chief, MEPs will lay out their vision for the future of the EU's foreign, security and defence policy, drawing on the deep and long-lasting geopolitical consequences of Russia's war against Ukraine.

MEPs are poised to demand genuine progress in implementing the roadmap recently agreed by EU heads of state or government. This was set out in the [European Council's conclusions of 24 and 25 March](#) and in the so-called [Versailles Declaration](#) on the Russian aggression against Ukraine, as was bolstering defence capabilities, reducing energy dependencies, and building a more robust EU economy.

The Versailles Declaration was adopted by EU heads of state and government in response to the war at their informal meeting in Versailles, France, on 10 and 11 March 2022.

For further details, more information is available in [this press release](#).

The plenary debate with Josep Borrell will take place on Tuesday evening, the vote is scheduled for Wednesday.

On Tuesday evening, MEPs will debate a report on security in the Eastern Partnership region and the role of the common security and defence policy. A vote on this report will take place on Wednesday.

Procedure Code: (2022/2039(INI))

Procedure: Own-initiative report

Debate: Tuesday 7 June

Vote: Wednesday, 8 June

Further information

[The Committee on Foreign Affairs](#)

[EP Multimedia Centre: free photos, video and audio material \(Russian aggression against Ukraine\)](#)

Turkey: human rights situation continues to deteriorate

MEPs are set to warn Turkey that it must improve its human rights record if accession talks are to be pursued.

Although EU-Turkey relations have improved slightly recently, MEPs are worried about the continued deterioration of fundamental rights and rule of law in the country.

In a debate on Monday and a vote on their annual report on Turkey on Tuesday, MEPs are also expected to welcome Turkey's willingness to act as a mediator in the Russian war against Ukraine and to stress that it is vitally important that the EU and Turkey cooperate well on foreign and security policy. MEPs are likely to raise the issue of Turkey's president being opposed to Finland and Sweden's accession to NATO.

Background

Due to the lack of pro-democracy efforts, accession negotiations with Turkey have effectively been at a standstill since 2018.

Debate: Monday 6 June

Vote: Tuesday, 7 June

Procedure: Own-initiative reports

Further information

[2021 Foreign Affairs Committee report on Turkey, 18.05.2022](#)

[Press Release: Little to no EU perspective for this Turkey, say MEPs, 25.04.2022](#)

[Procedure file](#)

International procurement: final vote to end discrimination against EU firms

On Thursday, MEPs are set to greenlight the new international procurement instrument set up to push for global procurement markets to open up.

The [International Procurement Instrument](#) (IPI) introduces measures limiting non-EU companies' access to the open EU public procurement market if their governments do not offer similar access to public tenders to EU companies seeking business. By fostering reciprocity, the IPI aims to open up these protected markets and to end the discrimination against EU companies in third countries.

In April, MEPs in the International Trade Committee unanimously [backed](#) the informal [agreement](#) reached on the final shape of the regulation with the Council in March.

Procedure Code: 2012/0060 (COD)

Procedure: ordinary legislative procedure

Debate: Wednesday 8 June

Vote: Thursday 9 June

Further information

[Draft report](#)

[Profile of rapporteur Daniel Caspary \(EPP, DE\)](#)

[Procedure file](#)

[Legislative train](#)

[EP think tank: EU international procurement instrument \(17.03.2022\)](#)

MEPs set to condemn possible overturn of abortion rights in the US

Parliament is expected to condemn the backsliding in women's sexual and reproductive health and rights in the US and globally, calling for safe access to abortion.

The US Supreme Court could vote to overturn guaranteed nationwide protection of abortion rights. This would allow each US state to decide whether restrict or ban abortion. In a debate on Wednesday and a resolution to be put to the vote on Thursday, MEPs are set to call for access to abortion services to be protected at federal level.

In the EU, the near-total ban on abortion in Poland since 2020 continues to put lives at risk, MEPs are also likely to say. They are also expected to reiterate their call for women fleeing Ukraine to be given access to abortion care and other essential reproductive and sexual health services in transit and host countries.

Procedure Code: 2022/2665(RSP)

Procedure: Council and Commission statements with resolution

Debate: Wednesday 8 June

Vote: Thursday 9 June

Further information

[Procedure file](#)

[European Parliament calls for repeal of new Texas abortion restriction, 7.10.2021](#)

[Poland: no more women should die because of the restrictive law on abortion, 11.11.2021](#)

[War in Ukraine: protecting women refugees from violence and sexual exploitation, 5.5.2022](#)

[Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material](#)

Ceremony on the 60th Anniversary of the Common Agricultural Policy

On Monday at the start of the plenary session, MEPs will commemorate the 60th anniversary of the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP).

EP President Roberta Metsola, Minister for Agriculture and Food Sovereignty Marc Fesneau on behalf of the French Presidency (tbc), Commissioner for Agriculture Janusz Wojciechowski and the Chair of the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development Norbert Lins (EPP, DE) will give speeches.

The ceremony is taking place at an important juncture, with the war in Ukraine bringing into sharp relief how vital it is to guarantee food security, one of the CAP's main goals. The EU adopted a substantial reform of its CAP at the end of last year, which will enter into force in 2023.

Question time on the use of pesticides

During a separate debate later on Monday, Members will quiz the Commission in a question time session on how to reduce pesticide use and protect consumers more effectively.

Debate: Monday, 6 June

Further information

[EP Research Service: At a glance - 1962-2022: The EU common agricultural policy at 60](#)
[Free photos, video and audio material](#)

Parliament set to demand a fully-fledged right to initiate legislation

MEPs are expected to propose a revision of the EU's legislative process to strengthen democracy by giving the right of direct initiative to the Parliament.

The draft report, to be debated on Wednesday and put to the vote on Thursday, highlights that it is high time Parliament was given a “general and direct” right to initiate legislation. This would reflect the evolution of the EU and restore balance to its institutional architecture - when the Treaties are next revised.

MEPs argue that the Council and the Commission have hampered Parliament's existing, indirect right of initiative and point to the Council's stance when [Parliament activated the Article 7 procedure](#) and the lack of proper response to their proposal for a [comprehensive EU values mechanism](#), among other instances.

The right to initiate legislation is reserved almost entirely for the European Commission, while both the Council and the Parliament have an indirect right of initiative. The Treaties grant Parliament a direct right of initiative only in specific cases, for example on rules relating to its own composition, European elections, and the duties of MEPs.

Procedure Code: 2020/2132(INI)

Procedure: non-legislative resolution

Debate: Wednesday, 8 June 2022

Vote: Thursday, 9 June 2022

Further information

[Draft report on Parliament's right of initiative](#)

[Press release following the vote in the Committee on Constitutional Affairs \(28.04.2022\)](#)

[Procedure File](#)

[Rapporteur profile: Paulo Ranger \(EPP, PT\)](#)

[EP Research Service Study - European Commission follow-up to European Parliament requests 2019 - 2021 \(19.05.2022\)](#)

[EP Study - The European Parliament's right of initiative \(08.07.2020\)](#)

[EP Research Service briefing - Parliament's right of legislative initiative \(12.02.2020\)](#)

[Free photos, video and audio material](#)

Vote on the new fisheries partnership with Mauritania

On Wednesday, MEPs will vote on the new EU-Mauritania fishing agreement, the largest fisheries deal between the EU and a third country.

The agreement aims to foster environmental, economic, social and scientific cooperation with the African country, which is set to receive €57.5 million per year in financial support plus €3.3 million to sustain the local fishing community. Under the new partnership agreement, vessels of ten EU member states will fish in Mauritanian waters for crustaceans, demersal fish, small pelagics and tuna, for up to 290.000 tonnes per year.

The accompanying resolution, drafted by [Izaskun Bilbao Barandica \(Renew, ES\)](#), that will be put to the vote on the same day, urges Mauritania to stop small pelagic stocks from being overfished and processed into raw material for the food processing industry. The text also highlights the increased transparency foreseen in the new deal. Mauritanian authorities will now have to publish information on their agreements with other countries, thus ensuring that the same conditions apply to all fleets fishing in its waters.

The first fisheries agreement between the EU and Mauritania dates back from 1987.

Procedure Code: 2021/0300(NLE) and 2021/0300M(NLE)

Vote: Wednesday 8 June

Further information

[Draft resolution](#)

[Recommendation](#)

[Steps of the procedure](#)

[EU-Mauritania fisheries partnership \(European Commission\)](#)

[Committee on Fisheries](#)

[Izaskun Bilbao Barandica \(Renew, ES\)](#)

MEPs set to call for import ban on products made with forced labour

Products made or transported by people forced to work should be excluded from the internal market through a WTO-compatible import and export ban, according to Parliament.

The new trade instrument should block products on the basis of production site, importer, company, transporter, or the particular region in case of state-sponsored forced labour, says the [draft resolution](#) prepared by the International Trade Committee. MEPs will [quiz the Commission](#) on Thursday to get a better idea of the design, scope, the choice of international blueprints and practical application of the planned instrument expected to be presented in September.

The legislative proposal on products based on forced labour will complement the proposed [corporate sustainable due diligence rules](#) meant to foster sustainable and responsible corporate behaviour throughout global value chains.

Debate and vote: Thursday, 9 June

Procedure: question for oral answer, with resolution

Further information

[Press release: MEPs: Companies must no longer cause harm to people and planet with impunity \(10.03.2021\)](#)

[EP think tank: External policy tools to address modern slavery and forced labour \(10.05.2022\)](#)

[EP think tank: US approach to preventing imports of goods made using forced labour \(27.01.2022\)](#)

Resolutions on human rights and democracy

Parliament will hold urgent debates on the following human rights, democracy and rule of law topics on Wednesday, with votes on accompanying related resolutions on Thursday.

1. The human rights situation in Xinjiang, including on the Xinjiang police files issue;
2. The instrumentalisation of justice as a repressive tool in Nicaragua;
3. Violations of media freedom and the safety of journalists in Georgia.

Debate: Wednesday 8 June

Vote: Thursday 9 June

Procedure: urgency resolutions

Further information

[The Subcommittee on Human Rights](#)

[EP Multimedia Centre: free photos, video and audio material](#)

Other topics on the agenda

Other topics on the agenda

EU and security challenges in indo-pacific, *debate Mon, vote Tue, McAllister, AFET*

Islands and cohesion policy, *debate Mon, vote Tue, Omarjee, REGI*

EEAS climate change and defence roadmap, *debate Mon, Vote Tue, Waitz, AFET*

The implementation of Article 17 of the Common Fisheries Policy Regulation, *debate Mon, Roose, PECH*

Strengthening Europol mandate, *vote Wed, Zarzalejos, LIBE*

Illegal logging in the EU, oral question, *debate Thu, vote in June II*

The Commission's proposal for "Attracting skills and talent to the EU", particularly the Talent Partnerships with North African countries, *Wed, topical debate*