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¹ Deliberations on Union legislative acts (Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union), other deliberations open to the public and public debates (Article 8 of the Council's Rules of Procedure).

LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on Public Procurement (Public Procurement Package)

- Orientation debate
18966/11 MAP 10 MI 686
6436/12 MAP 12 MI 91 CODEC 364

The Council held an orientation debate on the issues of "flexibility and dialogue" and "lighter rules for certain services" on the basis of the questions set out in doc. 6436/12 and took note of delegations' comments.

5. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings (Accounting directive)

- Orientation debate
16250/11 DRS 111 COMPET 475 ECOFIN 733 CODEC 1862
6179/12 DRS 16 COMPET 68 ECOFIN 112 CODEC 297

The Council held an orientation debate on the issue of country-by-country reporting on the basis of the questions set out in doc. 6179/12 and took note of delegations' comments.

The Presidency will continue to work with a view to reaching an agreement on the proposal before the end of June 2012.

6. (a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on European Venture Capital Funds (First reading)

18499/11 EF 173 ECOFIN 883 COMPET 615 IND 177 CODEC 2401

(b) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on European Social Entrepreneurship Funds (First reading)

18491/11 EF 172 ECOFIN 882 COMPET 613 SOC 1107 IND 176 CODEC 2399

- Orientation debate
6277/12 EF 31 ECOFIN 120 COMPET 73 IND 26 SOC 109 CODEC 317

Following the discussion, the Presidency concluded that there was a broad support in the Council for the main objectives of the Commission proposals, as well as for the timetable outlined by the Presidency in doc. 6277/12. The Council invited the experts to continue their work in a speedy fashion in order to reach an agreement on the Council's general approach on both files within the next couple of weeks.

10. European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)

- (a) Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT): the contribution of the EIT to a more innovative Europe
18091/11 RECH 419 COMPET 589 EDUC 286 CODEC 2306
- (b) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology
18090/11 RECH 418 COMPET 588 EDUC 285 CODEC 2305
- Presentation by the Commission**

The Commission made a presentation on its proposals.

11. Horizon 2020

- (a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing Horizon 2020 – The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) (First reading)
17933/11 RECH 410 COMPET 578 IND 162 MI 631 EDUC 283
TELECOM 197 ENER 389 ENV 919 REGIO 143 AGRI 826
TRANS 342 SAN 260 CODEC 2273
- (b) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the rules for participation and dissemination in Horizon 2020 – The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) (First reading)
17934/11 RECH 411 COMPET 579 ATO 151 CODEC 2274
- (c) Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon 2020 – The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)
17935/11 RECH 412 COMPET 580 IND 163 MI 632 EDUC 284
TELECOM 198 ENER 390 ENV 920 REGIO 144 AGRI 827
TRANS 343 SAN 261
- (d) Proposal for a Council Regulation on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2014-2018) complementing the Horizon 2020 – The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation
17936/11 RECH 413 COMPET 581 ATO 152
+ COR 1
- Orientation debate**
6281/12 RECH 37 COMPET 77 ATO 15 MI 85 IND 27
+ COR 1

The Council held an orientation debate on the basis of questions proposed by the Presidency as set out in doc. 6281/12 + COR 1.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC DEBATES

(Pursuant to Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [Proposed by the Presidency])

2. Europe 2020 Strategy

- Policy debate (internal market and industry)
17229/11 ECOFIN 804 SOC 1017 COMPET 534 EDUC 274 ENV 891 RECH 380
ENER 376 FISC 151 + ADD1
5955/1/12 COMPET 51 IND 18 MI 69 REV 1

The Council conducted a policy debate on the basis of the Commission's Annual Growth Survey 2012 and a Presidency discussion paper (doc. 5955/1/12 REV 1).

The main outcome of the Ministerial debate was included by the Presidency in its synthesis report for submission to the General Affairs Council and the Spring European Council (doc. 6662/12).

9. Europe 2020 Strategy

(a) Follow-up to the European Council of February 2011

- Progress report
6279/1/12 RECH 35 COMPET 35 REV 1

(b) Annual Growth Survey

- Policy debate
17229/11 ECOFIN 804 SOC 1017 COMPET 534 EDUC 274 ENV 891
RECH 380 ENER 376 FISC 151+ ADD1
6280/12 RECH 36 COMPET 76

The Council took note of the Progress report as set out in doc. 6279/1/12 and held a policy debate on the Annual Growth Survey based on questions proposed by the Presidency in doc. 6280/12.

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