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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Pillar of Social Rights • Upgrade health and safety standards at the workplace with the Carcinogens and Mutagens Directive • Integration of the long-term unemployed into the labour market • Support work-life balance • Strategic Engagement for Gender Equality 2016-2019 • Support mobility (revision of Posting of Workers Directive) and social security coordination for portability of benefits • Proposal for a European Accessibility Act • 'Upskilling Pathways' for adults to acquire a minimum level of literacy, numeracy and digital skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revamped European Semester: focused country-specific recommendations, enhanced euro area dimension, and extensive contacts at national levels with government, social partners and civil society • EU and national targets on employment, education, poverty reduction, R&D and energy and climate change through the Europe 2020 Strategy • Action Plan for the Integration of Third Country Nationals • Youth Guarantee • New Skills Agenda for Europe • European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (OSHA) campaign: Healthy Workplaces for All Ages
<p style="text-align: center;">Legislation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Guidance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Funding</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cooperation</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Structural and Investment Funds • European Fund for Strategic Investments • Youth Employment Initiative: supporting more than 1.4 million young people in traineeships, apprenticeships or job placement. • Erasmus+: support to over 9 million young Europeans over the past 30 years • Erasmus Pro for cross-border apprenticeships • European Globalisation Adjustment Fund • Horizon 2020 investment in research and innovation • Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) programme to facilitate micro-credit and social entrepreneurship • Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD) • Creation of a European Solidarity Corps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reform of the Tripartite Social Summit and re-focusing of the Macroeconomic Dialogue • Joint Statement of the Council, the Commission and the Social Partners on a 'new start for social dialogue' • Active involvement of EU social partners in EU political priorities (investment, Digital Single Market, energy) • Annual Convention for Inclusive Growth with civil society • Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition • European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018 • Reference Networks to tackle rare and complex diseases