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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: 3453rd meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(**Employment, Social Policy**, Health and Consumer Affairs)

Date: 7 March 2016

Time: 9.30

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

Non-legislative activities

2. (poss.) Approval of the list of "A" items

Legislative deliberations

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

3. (poss.) Approval of the list of "A" items

Non-legislative activities

(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])

4. European Semester 2016: Contribution to the European Council (17-18 March 2016)
 - Policy debate
 - a) Implementation of the Country-specific recommendations
 - EMCO contribution on the labour market segmentation and contractual arrangements
 - b) 2016 Country reports
 - Presentation by the Commission
 - c) Priorities for action in the areas of employment and social policies: political guidance in 2016
 - i) Draft Council conclusions on the 2016 Annual Growth Survey and Joint Employment report: political guidance on employment and social policies
 - ii) Draft Joint Employment report
 - Adoption
5. Proposal for a Council Decision on guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States
 - General approach
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6. New start for social dialogue
 - a) State of play
 - b) Tripartite Social Summit
 - Presentation by the Presidency and the Commission
7. Towards a new Skills Agenda for Europe
 - Policy debate
8. Investing in Youth Employment: Implementation of the Youth Guarantee
 - Endorsement of the EMCO key messages on the way forward
9. (poss.) Labour mobility package
 - Presentation by the Commission

10. Equality

- a) Draft Council conclusions: Response to the Commission's strategic engagement for gender equality
- b) Draft Council conclusions: Response to the Commission's list of actions to advance LGBTI equality
 - Adoption

Any other business

(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency] for items 11 b) to d)

- 11. a) Legislative issues
(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)
 - Information from the Presidency
- b) Other issues:
 - i) European pillar of social rights
 - ii) State of play on ESF/YEI implementation
 - iii) Energy Union - employment and social dimension
 - Information from the Commission
- c) Violence against women - Istanbul Convention
 - Information from the Commission
- d) EMCO and SPC Work Programmes 2016
 - Information from the respective Chairs

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