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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**  
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(**Employment, Social Policy**, Health and Consumer Affairs)  
Europa building, Brussels  
15 March 2018 (9.30)

Adoption of the agenda

(poss.) Approval of "A" items


- a) Non-legislative list
- b) Legislative list (Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

**Non-legislative activities**

The future of social Europe post 2020  
*Policy debate*







European Semester 2018

- a) Priorities for action in the areas of employment and social policies: Political guidance in 2018 
  - i) Joint Employment Report 6255/18
  - ii) Conclusions on the 2018 Annual Growth Survey and Joint Employment Report

*Adoption*

- b) 2018 Country reports   
*Presentation by the Commission*

Investing in Youth Employment: Implementation of the Youth Guarantee <i>Endorsement of EMCO's key messages</i>		6149/18 + COR 1
Recommendation on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Articles 153, 166 and 292 TFEU) <i>Adoption</i>	 (*) 	13161/17
Closing the gender pay gap: Contributing to the achievement of the goals of the European Pillar of Social Rights <i>Policy debate</i>		6423/18

### **Any other business**

- a) (poss.) Social Fairness Package  
*Information from the Commission*
- b) Tripartite Social Summit  
*Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
- c) Employment Committee (EMCO) and Social Protection Committee (SPC) Work Programmes 2018  
*Information from the respective Chairs*

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 Public debate proposed by the Presidency (Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)

(\*): Item on which a vote may be requested

 Item based on a Commission proposal

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