

Draft Eurogroup annotated agenda¹ **7 September 2018**

Starting time 09h00, Vienna

1. Exchange of views with the Chair of the ECON Committee of the European Parliament

The President of the Eurogroup has invited the Chair of the European Parliament's ECON (Economic and Monetary Affairs) Committee, Mr. Roberto Gualtieri, for an exchange of views on the euro area's economic outlook and challenges.

The purpose is to strengthen the exchange of information between the EP and the Eurogroup. This is an initiative in addition to the President of the Eurogroup regular hearings in the European Parliament, and notably at the ECON Committee, for an 'economic dialogue' on the Eurogroup's work and policy priorities.

2. Thematic discussion on growth and jobs: allocative efficiency in labour and product markets

The Eurogroup will hold a thematic discussion on allocative efficiency in the euro area on the basis of a note by the Commission and an oral contribution by Professor Pissarides (Professor of Economics and Nobel Prize winner). An efficient allocation of resources in labour and product markets enhances economic resilience and is thus particularly relevant for the euro area.

3. Portugal - Post Programme Surveillance – 8th review Portugal

The Eurogroup will be orally debriefed by the European Commission and the ECB on the main findings of the eighth post-programme surveillance mission to Portugal carried out between 5 and 12 June 2018. The mission included specific monitoring under the EU Macroeconomic Imbalance Procedure (MIP). The ESM will also debrief the Eurogroup on its early warning system.

Post-programme surveillance (PPS) starts automatically after the end of financial assistance programmes and continues until at least 75% of the financial assistance received has been repaid.

¹ As a draft agenda this document is provisional and subject to change until adopted.

4. Miscellaneous