Eurogroup

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13 June 2019

Starting time 13h00, Luxembourg

1. IMF Article IV review of the euro area

The International Monetary Fund will present the outcome of its Article IV mission to the euro area. A concluding statement will be published shortly thereafter.

The Article IV review of the euro area is an annual exercise in which the IMF reviews economic developments, consults with euro area policy-makers and provides targeted policy advice. The discussions in the Eurogroup are a valuable opportunity to exchange views on current developments and emerging challenges.

2. Cyprus – post programme surveillance

The Eurogroup will be orally debriefed by the European Commission and the ECB on the main findings of the sixth post-programme surveillance mission to Cyprus carried out between 18-22 March. The ESM will also debrief the Eurogroup on its early warning system. The IMF conducted a post programme monitoring (PPM) mission in parallel.

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. PPS is biannual in terms of reporting and missions.

3. Thematic discussion on growth and jobs – Inequality

The Eurogroup will hold a thematic discussion on inequality in the euro area, on the basis of analysis provided by the Commission and an oral presentation by Professor Philippe Aghion (Professor of Economics at the College de France and at the London School of Economics).

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

Promoting the conditions for inclusive growth in the euro area is a primary priority for the Eurogroup; it is also of key relevance for the better functioning of the EMU.

4. Eurogroup work programme for the second semester of 2019

As customary, the Eurogroup will adopt its work programme for the second half of this year.

5. Miscellaneous