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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**  
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space))  
Europa building, Brussels  
22 and 23 May 2023 (09:30, 10:00)

**Format: 2+2 (+2 in listening room)**

**MEETING ON MONDAY 22 MAY 2023 (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)

**INTERNAL MARKET AND INDUSTRY**

**Legislative deliberations**

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

Regulation establishing a framework for setting ecodesign requirements for sustainable products and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC  
*General approach*

 7854/22 + ADD 1

Critical raw materials act  
*Policy debate*

 8863/23

## Non-legislative activities

Long-term competitiveness: Next steps  
*Exchange of views*

### Any other business

- a) Current legislative proposals  
(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)
- Net-Zero Industry Act 🗳️ 7613/23 + ADD 1  
*Presentation by the Commission*
- b) Celebration of the Unitary Patent System and the  
Single Market at 30<sup>1</sup> 🗳️  
*Information from the Presidency*
- c) Current legislative proposals  
(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)
- Review of the EU legislation on design protection (recast of  
Directive 98/71/EC on the legal protection of designs and  
amendment of Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 on  
Community designs) 🗳️ 15390/22 + ADD 1  
15400/22 + ADD 1  
*Information from the Presidency*
- d) Work programme of the incoming Presidency  
*Information from the Spanish delegation*

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<sup>1</sup> In the presence of

- Mr Antonio Campinos, President of the EPO
- Mr Alexander Ramsay, Registrar of the UPC and former chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the UPC and chairman of the Administrative Committee of the UPC
- Mr Jérôme Debrulle, Director general and chairman of the Select Committee of the Administrative Council
- Mr Johannes Karcher, Head of Division for Patent Law, German Ministry of Justice, and chairman of the Administrative Committee of the UPC
- Mr Fabrice Claireau, Legal Affairs at the General Secretariat for European Affairs, French Prime Minister's Office
- Ms Margot Froehlinger, former Principal Director for Patent Law and Multilateral Affairs, EPO
- (poss.) Mr Mario Monti – Senator and Professor and former Prime Minister and Commissioner for Internal Market.

## MEETING ON TUESDAY 23 MAY 2023 (10:00)

### Non-legislative activities

#### RESEARCH

Conclusions on high-quality, transparent, open, trustworthy and equitable scholarly publishing

 8827/23

*Approval*

Knowledge security and responsible internationalisation

 8824/1/23 REV 1

*Exchange of views*

#### SPACE

Conclusions on Fair and sustainable use of space

 8962/23

*Approval*

EU Space Policy in a new geopolitical landscape

8960/1/23 REV 1

*Exchange of views*

### Any other business

#### Research

a) Seal of Excellence



*Information from the Commission*

b) Conferences on the Future of Science



*Information from the Commission*

c) Work programme of the incoming Presidency

*Information from the Spanish delegation*

#### Space

d) Work programme of the incoming Presidency

*Information from the Spanish delegation*



First reading



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



Item based on a Commission proposal

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