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Subject:	Informal Videoconference meeting of the members of the Working Party for Schengen Matters (Schengen Evaluation) / Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Liechtenstein)
Date:	15 December 2020
Time:	10.00
Venue:	Council VC Platform

This virtual meeting will be held using the Council's video conferencing platform and will allow all participants to connect remotely. This means that every participant will connect from his/her computer, tablet or smartphone.

Each delegation is invited to inform the Council secretariat (Schengen.evaluation@consilium.europa.eu) by Thursday 10 December at 17.00 of the names of the persons participating. The maximum number of persons per Member State's delegation connecting is 1+1 (1 connection for the capital and 1 connection for the Permanent Representation).

An information note on how to access the system and the meeting access codes will be sent separately to participants, upon confirmation of their participation. Delegations will find below the agenda of the meeting.

Format: 1+1 (Presidency 2+1)

10.00 -17.00 (including lunch break)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Impact of the current health situation on the Schengen Evaluations and overview of current dossiers
= Information from the Commission
3. Report from the Commission to the Council and the EP on the Functioning of the Schengen Evaluation and Monitoring Mechanism pursuant to Article 22 of Council Regulation (EU) No 1053/2013 First Multiannual Evaluation Programme (2015-2019)
= Presentation (including update from the Schengen Forum) and discussion
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4. Schengen Evaluations
 - 4.1 (poss.) Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2019 thematic evaluation [IBM strategies] doc. to be issued
 - 4.2 Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2020 evaluation of **Belgium** on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **return**
= Presentation and poss. agreement
13286/20
 - 4.3 Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out recommendations addressing the deficiencies identified in the evaluation of **Cyprus** in view of fulfilling the conditions necessary for the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **data protection**
= Presentation and poss. agreement
= Information from the Commission on next steps
12684/20
 - 4.4 Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2019 evaluation of **Hungary** on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **data protection**
= Presentation and poss agreement
12485/20
 - 4.5 Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2019 evaluation of **Slovakia** on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **data protection**
= Presentation and poss agreement
12484/20

- 4.6 Assessment of **Lithuania's action plan** to remedy the deficiencies identified in the 2018 evaluation on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **data protection**
= Presentation
12334/20
- 4.7 Assessment of **Switzerland's action plan** to remedy the deficiencies identified in the 2018 evaluation on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of **data protection**
= Presentation
12553/20
- 4.8 Assessment of the action plan of the **French Republic** to remedy the deficiencies identified in the 2019 evaluation on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of the **management of the external borders**
= Presentation
12218/20
- 4.9 Assessment of **Greece's action plan** to remedy the deficiencies identified in the 2018 evaluation on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of management of the **external land borders with the Republic of North Macedonia and Bulgaria** (unannounced visit)
= Presentation
10969/20
- 4.10 Schengen evaluation of **Croatia**
Outcome of 2020 revisit to verify the implementation of the Action Plan
= Presentation
WK 14378/20 (to be issued)
5. Presentation of the priorities of the incoming PT Presidency
6. A.O.B.
- Commission announcement on the closure of the 2018 evaluation of **Latvia** in the field of **common visa policy**
 - Commission announcement on the closure of the 2018 evaluation of **Switzerland** in the field of **common visa policy**

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal.