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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**  
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs)  
ECCL, Luxembourg  
15 October 2021 (10.00)

**Format 1 + 1 (+ 2 in listening room)**

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**

European Semester

- a) Key Employment Challenges: Key messages from the EMCO based on the Annual Employment Performance Report and the Employment Performance Monitor  
*Endorsement* ☐
- b) Key Social Challenges: Key messages from the SPC based on the Annual Review of the Social Protection Performance Monitor  
*Endorsement* ☐

- c) Council Decision on Guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States [P] [C] (\*)  
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Art. 148(2) TFEU)  
*Adoption*

The future of the European Semester with a strong role of the European Pillar of Social Rights [P]  
*Policy debate*

Safety and health at the heart of the future of work [P]  
*Policy debate*

Conclusions on Gender Mainstreaming in the EU Budget (CoA SR No 10/2021) [P]  
*Approval*

### **Any other business**

a) A long-term vision for rural areas [P]  
*Presentation by the Commission*

b) Tripartite Social Summit (Brussels, 20 October 2021) [P]  
*Information from the Presidency and the Commission*

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

[C] Item based on a Commission proposal

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

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