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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	Visa Working Party / Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)

Date:	18 February 2025
Time:	10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL LEX BUILDING Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format: 1+2 (Presidency 2+2)

MIXED COMMITTEE

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reintroduction of visa obligation for holders of diplomatic passports of Georgia
 - a) Guidelines for implementation of Council Decision partial suspension of the application of the Agreement between the European Union and Georgia on the facilitation of the issuance of visas - presentation by the Commission
 - b) Mapping exercise on the basis of the document by the Presidency
 - 6010/25

3. Follow up to the visa suspension mechanism report - visa policy alignment
 - WK 5805/2022 REV 4
 - a) Presentation by the Commission on the progress in reaching the alignment in the countries covered by the report under the visa suspension mechanism
 - b) Presentation by Frontex on the migration trends related to lack of visa policy alignment
4. Visa issuance to Russian citizens
 - Outcome of the Commission questionnaire on the implementation of the guidelines on general visa issuance in relation to Russian applicants – presentation by the Commission and way forward
5. EU Hybrid Toolbox **[R-UE/EU-R]**
 - Presentation by the Chair of the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats (HWP ERC-HT) and exchange of views on visa-related matters
6. EU-US air crew visa reciprocity
 - Presentation by the Commission of the background paper and exchange of views
 - WK 546/2025
7. AOB
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 as regards the revision of the suspension mechanism: State of play - information by the Presidency
 - Implementation of visa digitalisation – information by the Commission

VISA WORKING PARTY

8. Visa facilitation agreement with Kazakhstan: Recommendation for a Council decision authorising the opening of negotiations on an Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Kazakhstan on facilitating the issue of short-stay visas¹ **[R-UE/EU-R]**
 - Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views
 - 6011/25 + ADD 1 RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED
9. Visa liberalisation – Armenia
 - Debriefing by the Commission of the outcome of the first experts' mission of 10-14 February 2025
10. AOB

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.

¹ Exceptionally in the presence of the Schengen Associated Countries.