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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision appointing members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 29 September 2025 to 20 September 2030 - Adoption

1. The term of office of the members of the European Economic and Social Committee ended on 20 September 2025¹.
2. Pursuant to Article 302 TFUE, the Council adopts the list of members drawn up in accordance with the proposals made by each Member State after consulting the Commission.
3. In accordance with that provision, and following the procedure set out in document 14673/24, the General Secretariat of the Council invited Member States to submit their proposals for candidates for appointment as members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2025 to 20 September 2030.
4. The Council consulted the Commission on the proposals submitted by Member States before 10 June 2025, which concerned 266 members of the European Economic and Social Committee.

¹ Council Decision (EU) 2020/1392 of 2 October 2020 appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025, and repealing and replacing the Council Decision appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025 adopted on 18 September 2020 (OJ L 322, 5.10.2020, p. 1).

5. On 29 July 2025, the Commission adopted its opinion on 249 out of the 266 proposed members. As regards the remaining 17 proposed members, the Commission requested additional information from the Council and postponed its opinion on those proposals.
6. On 16 September 2025, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2025/1911² appointing members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2025 to 20 September 2030. That Decision appointed 249 members, for the period from 21 September 2025 to 20 September 2030, namely the members proposed by the Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Greek, Spanish, Cyprus, Latvian, Hungarian, Maltese, Austrian, Romanian, Slovakian, and Swedish Government. Decision (EU) 2025/1911 also appointed ten members proposed by the Belgian Government, twenty-two members proposed by the German Government, six members proposed by the Estonian Government, six members proposed by the Government of Ireland, twenty-three members proposed by the Italian Government, five members proposed by the Luxembourgish Government, ten members proposed by the Dutch Government, nine members proposed by the Portuguese Government, six members proposed by the Slovenian Government, and eight members proposed by the Finnish Government. Members in relation to whom the proposals for appointment had not been communicated to the Council before 10 June 2025 could not be included in Decision (EU) 2025/1911.
7. Between 10 June and 15 July 2025, Member States submitted additional proposals³ for candidates for appointment as members of the European Economic and Social Committee.
8. The Council consulted the Commission on those additional proposals.

² Council Decision (EU) 2025/1911 of 16 September 2025 appointing members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2025 to 20 September 2030 (OJ L, 2025/1911, 22.9.2025, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2025/1911/oj>).

³ 10373/25, 11004/25, 11600/25, 11654/25.

9. On 10 September 2025, the Commission adopted its opinion on the additional members proposed by the French, Croatian, Lithuanian, and Polish Governments, as well as on the 17 members in relation to whom the Commission opinion was postponed. Consequently, the Council may proceed with the appointment of those members of the European Economic and Social Committee. As a result of that appointment, all 329 members of the European Economic and Social Committee will be appointed in replacement of the 329 members whose mandates expired on 20 September 2025.
10. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Council Decision appointing members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 29 September 2025 to 20 September 2030, as finalised by the lawyer-linguists and set out in document 12692/25, and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.
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