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### NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	Ad hoc Working Party on the Multiannual Financial Framework (European Competitiveness Fund)
Date:	24 February 2026
Time:	10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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1. Regulation on establishing the European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), including the specific programme for defence research and innovation activities, repealing Regulations (EU) 2021/522, (EU) 2021/694, (EU) 2021/697, (EU) 2021/783, and amending Regulations (EU) 2021/696, (EU) 2023/588, (EU) [EDIP]
  - *Examination of revised Presidency text on Chapter VII sections 1 and 4 (doc. 6369/26)*
2. European Court of Auditors' Opinion on the proposal for a regulation on establishing the European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), including the specific programme for defence research and innovation activities, repealing Regulations (EU) 2021/522, (EU) 2021/694, (EU) 2021/697, (EU) 2021/783, and amending Regulations (EU) 2021/696, (EU) 2023/588, (EU) [EDIP]
  - *Presentation by the European Court of Auditors (doc. 5397/26)*

3. Any other business

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- \* Representatives of the European Court of Auditors are invited to attend item 2 on the agenda, in accordance with the Council Rules of Procedure

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