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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject: Attendance of Milieu Law and Policy Consulting, the EPRS and EASNIE at the Social Questions Working

The Presidency intends to organise a meeting¹ of the Working Party on Social Questions to discuss the cost and benefits of equal treatment policy, including anti-discrimination measures and the provision of reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities.

The Presidency intends to invite two experts from Milieu Law and Policy Consulting to this meeting to present their recent study,² as well as one person from the European Parliament Research Service (EPRS) as a representative of the body that commissioned this work.

In addition, the Presidency intends to invite two experts from the European Agency for Special Needs and Inclusive Education (EASNIE) to the meeting, to give a presentation focusing on the cost and benefits of inclusive education, with a particular focus on reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities.

¹ The precise date has yet to be confirmed; a likely date is 14 April 2026.

² See “Proposal for a horizontal equal treatment directive: Complementary impact assessment” (2025).

The above-mentioned third parties are to be invited as *outside speakers* and would not participate in the deliberations of the Working Party.

Against this background, the Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to approve the attendance of two representatives of Milieu Law and Policy Consulting, one representative of the EPRS and two representatives EASNIE at the meeting of the Social Questions Working Party on 14 April 2026.
