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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**  
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs)  
ECCL, Luxembourg  
16 June 2026 (10:00)

**Format: 2+2 (+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)

**Legislative deliberations**

**(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)**

European Biotech Act I Directive  
*General approach*

 17103/25

European Biotech Act I Regulation  
*Policy debate*

 16945/25 + ADD 1

Regulation to simplify rules on medical and in vitro diagnostic devices  
*Progress report*

 16919/25 + ADD 1

## Any other business

- a) Current legislative proposals (Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)



Critical Medicines Act  
*Information from the Presidency*

6872/25

- b) Presidency conferences  
*Information from the Presidency*



- c) Negotiations for an international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response  
*Information from the Presidency and the Commission*

- d) Work programme of the incoming Presidency  
*Information from Ireland*

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### p.m.:

**Ministerial lunch on “Strengthening Europe’s pharmaceutical resilience and strategic autonomy”.**



First reading



Item based on a Commission proposal



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

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