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DRAFT MINUTES
COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Transport, Telecommunications and Energy)
5 and 6 December 2024

MEETING ON THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2024

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda set out in document 16331/24.

TRANSPORT

Legislative deliberations

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

Land


2. **Directive on driving disqualifications**  16120/24 + COR 1
General approach

The Council reached a general approach on the Directive on driving disqualifications as set out in the documents above.

Intermodal

3. **Regulation on enforcement of passenger rights in the Union**  16123/24
General approach

The Council reached a general approach on the Regulation on enforcement of passenger rights in the Union as set out in the document above.

4. **Regulation on passenger rights in the context of multimodal journeys**  16127/24
General approach

The Council reached a general approach on the Regulation on passenger rights in the context of multimodal journeys as set out in the document above.

5. **Directive amending Council Directive 92/106/EEC on combined transport**  15143/24
Progress report

The Council took note of the progress report as set out in the document above.

6. **Approval of 'A' items**

- (a) **Non-legislative list** 16498/24

The Council adopted all "A" items listed in the document above including all linguistic COR and REV documents presented for adoption.

Legislative deliberations

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


Aviation

7. **Air passenger rights**  15399/24 + COR 1
Policy debate


The Council held a policy debate on Air passenger rights as set out in the documents above.

8. a) **Joint proposal for a renewed European automotive policy: balancing competitiveness and climate ambition**  16470/24
Information from Bulgaria, Czechia, Italy, Poland, Romania and Slovakia

The Council took note of the information provided by Bulgaria, Czechia, Italy, Poland, Romania and Slovakia.

- b) **Current legislative proposals (Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)** 
- i) **Directive on driving licences, amending Directive (EU) 2022/2561, Regulation (EU) 2018/1724 and repealing Directive 2006/126/EC and Regulation (EU) No 383/2012** 6795/1/23 REV 1
+ ADD 1 REV 1
- ii) **Regulation on the European Maritime Safety Agency and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002** 10133/23
- iii) **Regulation on the use of railway infrastructure capacity in the single European railway area, amending Directive 2012/34/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) No 913/2010** 11718/23 + ADD 1
Information from the Presidency

The Council took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

- c) Request from the Commission for an opinion of the Court of Justice of the European Union on the Agreement on Air Transport with the Sultanate of Oman 16035/24
Information from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Portugal, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden
- d) **Preventing and addressing transport poverty: the role of the Social Climate Plans**  16313/24
Information from the Commission

The Council took note of the information provided by the Commission.

- e) **Joint non-paper on Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) III**  16039/24
Information from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania

The Council took note of the information provided by Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

f) Incursions of unauthorised objects into EU Member States territories from third countries 15764/24
Information from Lithuania

g) **Call for action regarding the impacts of the extension of EU ETS to maritime transport** 16511/24
Information from Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Romania and Spain

The Council took note of the information provided by Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Romania and Spain.

h) **Resilience of EU transport infrastructure to extreme climate-related and geophysical events** 16406/24
Information from Spain

The Council took note of the information provided by Spain.

i) Work programme of the incoming Presidency
Information from Poland

MEETING ON FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER 2024

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Non-legislative activities

9. Conclusions on ENISA

 15528/24

Approval

The Council approved conclusions on ENISA.

10. Conclusions on the White Paper “How to master Europe’s digital infrastructure needs?”

 15861/24

Approval

The Council approved conclusions on the White Paper “How to master Europe’s digital infrastructure needs?”.

11. Digital Decade 2030 objectives and targets in light of recent technological changes

 15476/24

Policy debate

The Council held a policy debate on the Digital Decade 2030 objectives and targets in light of recent technological changes.

Any other business

12. a) Recent developments in ITU¹

16269/24

Information

b) ITU World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA-24)²

16166/24

Information from the Commission

c) **Austrian Framework of Reference for Digital Competence**


 15607/24

Information from Austria


The Council took note of the information provided by Austria.

¹ Presentation by the Deputy Secretary-General of the ITU.

² In the presence of the Deputy Secretary-General of the ITU.

- d) International initiatives in the digital field: state of play
Information from the Commission 15999/24
- e) Council of Europe Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law
Information from the Presidency 16111/1/24 REV 1
- f) **AI Action Summit (Paris, 10-11 February 2025)**  16168/24
Information from France

The Council took note of the information provided by France.

- g) Roaming with EU candidate countries (special focus on Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia and the Western Balkans region)
Information from the Commission 16167/24
- h) Prospective study on the future of the postal sector
Information from the Commission 16336/24
- i) Activities and events held by the Hungarian Presidency on digital affairs
Information from the Presidency 16107/24
- j) **Greek National strategy for protection of minors online**  15937/24
Information from Greece

The Council took note of the information provided by Greece.

k) Better Digital Regulation for SMEs in the EU: take stock and take action



16337/24

Information from the Netherlands, Belgium, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Slovakia and Sweden

The Council took note of the information provided by the Netherlands, Belgium, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Slovakia and Sweden, and of the support expressed by Slovenia.

l) Work programme of the incoming Presidency
Information from Poland



First reading



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



Item based on a Commission proposal