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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject:	Attendance of the EESC and EIGE at the Social Questions Working Party on 25 September 2026

The Presidency would like to invite representatives of third parties to attend the meeting of the Working Party on Social Questions on 25 September 2026, as follows:

- two representatives of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), to give a presentation on the EESC’s exploratory opinion on “the Equality and the Competitiveness Agenda;” and
- two representatives of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE), to present EIGE’s policy brief on “Investing in care: Advancing EU competitiveness and gender Equality.”

The Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to approve the attendance of two representatives each from the EESC and EIGE at the meeting of the Social Questions Working Party meeting on 25 September 2026.