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From:	Presidency
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Subject:	AOB for the meeting of the EPSCO Council of 19 October 2026: Tripartite Social Summit <i>- Information from the Presidency and the Commission</i>

The Tripartite Social Summit (TSS) is a high-level forum for dialogue between the EU institutions and the European social partners. The role of the TSS is acknowledged in Article 152 TFEU. Its task is to ensure a continuous concertation between the European Council, the Council, the Commission and the social partners, in compliance with the Treaties and with due regard for the powers of the institutions and bodies of the Union. In particular, the TSS facilitates synergies aimed at the promotion of growth, a high level of employment, the guarantee of adequate social protection, the fight against social exclusion and a high level of education, training and protection of human health.

The Summit was established in 2003 by Council Decision 2003/174/EC, which was later repealed by Council Decision (EU) 2016/1859. The TSS meetings are customarily convened twice annually, in March and October.

The Tripartite Social Summit during the Irish Presidency took place on 14 October and focussed on the theme: “Driving Europe forward.”

Speakers intervened on the following two topics:

1. A new Multiannual Financial Framework reinforcing a competitive business location supporting quality jobs
2. A Single Market which delivers for workers and enterprises

In order to inform the public of the matters discussed during the meeting, a press release was issued and a press conference was held upon its conclusion.
