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In accordance with Article 2, paragraph 5, of the Council's rules of procedure, the Presidency attaches for information the indicative provisional agendas for Council meetings prepared by the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1) for the period up to 30 June 2007.

Germany Presidency
Draft Work Programme for Council meetings
prepared by COREPER (part 1)

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| | JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
| EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS | | 22.02.07 | | | 30-31.05.07 | |
| COMPETITIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH) | | 19.02.07 | | | 21-22.05.07 | (poss.)25-26.06.07 |
| TRANSPORT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY | | 15.02.07 | 22-23.03.07 | | | 06-08.06.07 |
| AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES | p.m. 08.01.07 29-30.01.07 | 26-27.02.07 | 19-20.03.07 | 16-17.04.07 | 07-08.05.07 | 11-12.06.07 |
| ENVIRONMENT | | 20.02.07 | | | | 28 and (poss.) 29.06.07 |
| EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE | | 16.02.07 | | | 24-25.05.07 | |

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EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
COUNCIL

22 FEBRUARY 2007

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY ITEMS

1. **Preparation of the Spring European Council**
 - a) **Key Messages**
 - *Adoption*
 - b) **Joint Employment Report 2006/2007**
 - *Adoption*
 - c) **Joint Report on Social Protection and Social Inclusion**
 - *Adoption*
 - d) **Report from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on equality between women and men, 2007**

2. **Preparation of the Tripartite Social Summit**
 - *Exchange of views*

3. **Work Programme of the Employment Committee 2007**
 - *Information from the Chairman*

4. **Work Programme of the Social Protection Committee for 2007**
 - *Information from the Chairman*

5. **Opportunities and challenges of demographic change in Europe**
 - a) **(poss.) A positive response of Europe – structure and priorities of the work plan of EPSCO**
 - *Exchange of views*
 - b) **The contribution of the elderly to economic and social development**
 - *Council Resolution*

6. **Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 on the application of social security schemes to employed persons and their families moving within the Community (Miscellaneous amendments 2006)**
 - *(poss.) General approach*

7. **Proposal for a Directive amending and simplifying procedures in existing health and safety Directives**
 - *(poss.) General approach*

8. **Communication from the Commission "New Community strategy on health and safety at work 2007-2013"**
 - *Information from the Commission*

EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
COUNCIL

30–31 MAY 2007

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY ITEMS

1. **Employment package**
 - a) **Proposal for a Council Decision on Guidelines for the Employment Policies of the Member States**
 - b) **(poss.) Commission Recommendation for a Council Recommendation on the implementation of Member States' employment policies**
 - *Political agreement*
2. **Commission communication "Pathways towards more flexicurity: achieving better combinations of flexibility and security"**
 - *Exchange of views*
3. **Green Paper: Modernising Labour Law to meet the challenges of the 21st century**
 - *Council conclusions*
4. **Active Ageing**
 - *Endorsement of the joint opinion of the Employment Committee and the Social Protection Committee*
5. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on improving the portability of supplementary pension rights**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement*
6. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems**
 - *Partial general approach*
7. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems, and determining the content of Annex XI**
 - *Partial general approach*
8. **"New Community strategy on health and safety at work 2007-2013"**
 - *Council conclusions*

9. **Opportunities and challenges of demographic change in Europe**
 - a) **Contribution of sustainable family policies to addressing the demographic challenge and in particular low birth rates**
 - *Exchange of views*
 - b) **European Alliance for Families – First steps of implementation**
 - *Council Conclusions*
10. **Social Services of General Interest – Outcome of the Social Protection Committee consultation**
 - *Information from the Chairman of the SPC*
11. **Review of the implementation by the Member States and the EU institutions of the Beijing Platform for Action**
 - *Council conclusions*

HEALTH and CONSUMER AFFAIRS

12. **Four proposals for Regulations of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives, flavours, enzymes and for a horizontal regulation on procedural matters**
 - *Progress report/Political agreement*
13. **(poss.) Community Consumer Policy Strategy 2007-2013**
 - *Council Resolution/Conclusions*
14. **(poss.) Commission Communication on the European Strategy on diet, physical activity and health - White paper on nutrition**
 - *Policy debate/Conclusions*
15. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on advanced therapy medicinal products and amending Directive 2001/83/EC and Regulation (EC) No 726/2004**
 - *Political agreement*
16. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directives 90/385/EEC and 93/42/EEC and Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and the Council as regards the review of the medical device directives**
 - *Political agreement*
17. **(poss.) Proposal for a Recommendation of the Council on Injury prevention and safety promotion**
 - *Adoption*
18. **HIV/AIDS**
 - *Council conclusions*

19. **Health Promotion**
 - *Council conclusions*
 20. **Community Framework for Health Services**
 - *Exchange of views*
 21. **(poss.) Commission Communication on improving the mental health of the population**
 - *Exchange of views*
 22. **(poss.) Commission Communication on patient safety**
 - *Exchange of views*
 23. **AOB**
 - a) **Pandemic Influenza**
 - *Information from the Commission and the Presidency*
 - b) **(poss.) International Health Regulations**
 - *Information from the Commission and the Presidency*
 - c) **Framework Convention on Tobacco Control**
 - *Information from the Commission and the Presidency*
 - d) **Presidency Conferences on Health**
 - *Information from the Presidency*
 - e) **(poss.) Commission Communication on organs**
 - *Information from the Commission*
 - f) **(poss.) Commission Green Paper on smoke-free environments**
 - *Information from the Commission*
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COMPETITIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH) COUNCIL

19 FEBRUARY 2007

1. **(poss.) Review of the Single Market**
 - *Information from the Commission on the state of play*
 - *Exchange of views*

2. **Lisbon Economic reform process – Contribution of the Competitiveness Council to the Spring European Council**
 - **Better Regulation/ Reduction of Administrative Burden**
 - **Review of the Single Market**
 - = *Policy debate*
 - = *Adoption of the Contribution of the Competitiveness Council to the Spring European Council ("Key Issues Paper")*

3. **Commission Communication on the Free Movement of Goods**
 - **Revision of the New Approach**
 - **Mutual Recognition in the non-harmonised area**
 - = *Presentation by the Commission*
 - = *First exchange of views*

4. **Industrial Policy / CARS 21 - Commission Communication on A Competitive Automotive Regulatory Framework for the 21st Century**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *First exchange of views*

5. **(poss.) Proposal for an amended Council Regulation (EC) No 515/97 on mutual assistance in customs law and agricultural matters**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*

RESEARCH ITEMS

6. **(poss.) Commission proposals on Joint Technology Initiatives**
 - *Information from the Commission*

7. **(poss.) Commission proposals on Article 169 Initiatives**
 - *Information from the Commission*

8. **(poss.) Cooperation between universities and industry**
 - **Commission Communication "Knowledge Transfer between Universities and Industry"**
 - = *Exchange of views*
 - = *Council conclusions*
 - **German Presidency Initiative for an IPR Charta**
 - = *Presentation by the Presidency*
 - = *First exchange of views*
9. **(poss.) Report from the Commission: "Contribution of research to national reform programs" (Lisbon Strategy and the 3% target)**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Exchange of views*
10. **European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy**
 - *Information from the Commission*
11. **(poss.) ESFRI (European Group for Infrastructure) Roadmap for Europe-wide Infrastructure**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Exchange of views*

CONSUMER ITEM

12. **AOB**
 - **(poss.) Commission's Second Annual Progress Report on European Contract Law and the revision of the acquis**
 - = *Information from the Commission*
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COMPETITIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH) COUNCIL

21–22 MAY 2007

1. **Better Regulation/Simplification of Legislation**
 - *Progress report/Council conclusions*
2. **Proposal for a Directive on Mutual Recognition in the non-harmonised area**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement*
3. **Revision of the New Approach**
 - *(poss.) Partial political agreement*
4. **Public Procurement/Remedies Directive**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement*
5. **Proposal for a Modernised Community Customs Code**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement/Policy debate*
6. **(poss.) Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and Council on a paperless environment for customs and trade (e-customs)**
 - *Political agreement*
7. **Industrial policy - horizontal issues, sectoral initiatives (e.g. Automotive Industry, Biotechnology)**
 - *Policy debate*
 - *Council conclusions*
8. **Commission proposal on GHS (Globally Harmonised System)**
 - *Progress report*
 - *Policy debate*
9. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 91/477/EEC on control of the acquisition and possession of weapons**
 - *Political agreement*
10. **European Space Policy - European Space Programme¹**
 - *Approval of the results of the Space Council (after the Space Council)*

¹ The Space Council will meet on 22 May 2007

RESEARCH ITEMS

11. **Commission proposals on Joint Technology Initiatives**
 - *Exchange of views*
 - *Council conclusions*
12. **Commission proposals on Article 169 Initiatives**
 - *Exchange of views*
 - *Council conclusions*
13. **(poss.) Commission Communication "Relaunch of the European Research Area – New Horizons and next steps"**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Exchange of views*
14. **(poss.) German Presidency Initiative for an IPR Charta**
 - *Progress report/Exchange of views*
15. **(poss.) Report from the Commission: "Contribution of research to national reform programs" (Lisbon Strategy and the 3% target)**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Exchange of views*

CONSUMER ITEMS

16. **(poss.) Consumer Credit Directive**
 - *Political agreement*
17. **(poss.) European Contract Law and the revision of the acquis**
 - *Council conclusions*
18. **AOB**
 - a) **(poss.) Proposal for amending Directive 94/47/EC on the protection of purchasers in respect of certain aspects of contracts relating to the purchase of the right to use immovable properties on a timeshare basis**
 - *Information from the Commission*
 - b) **European Conference on Tourism (Berlin / Potsdam, 15-16.05.2007)**
 - *Information from the Presidency*
 - c) **4th European Conference on Craft Industries (Stuttgart, 16-17.04.2007)**
 - *Information from the Presidency*

(poss.)

**COMPETITIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND
RESEARCH) COUNCIL**

25-26 JUNE 2007

15 FEBRUARY 2007

ENERGY

1. **Energy Policy for Europe**
 - a) **Strategic Review of the Energy Policy for Europe (SEER)**
 - b) **Renewable Energy Road Map**
 - c) **Biofuels Progress Report**
 - d) **Report on progress in renewable electricity**
 - e) **Communication: Prospects for the internal gas and electricity market**
 - f) **Sector Inquiry on the gas and electricity markets**
 - g) **Priority Interconnection Plan**
 - h) **Communication: Sustainable Power Generation from Fossil Fuels**
 - i) **Communication: Towards a European Strategic Energy Technology Plan**
 - *Presentation of the Commission Energy Package*
 - *Policy debate*
 - *Council/Presidency conclusions*

22–23 MARCH 2007

INTERMODAL AND HORIZONTAL QUESTIONS

1. **Global Navigation Satellite System (GALILEO)**
 - **Concession contract negotiations**
 - = *Orientation debate on the negotiated cornerstones of the Galileo concession/(poss.) Conclusions*
 - **(poss.) Draft mandate to the Commission on relations with third countries (third country participation in GSA)**
 - = *Adoption*

LAND TRANSPORT

2. **Implementation of Road Safety Action Programme**
 - **(poss.) Directive on road infrastructure safety management**
 - = *Progress report/General approach*
3. **(poss.) Commission proposal on cross-acceptance of railway rolling stock**
 - *Exchange of views/General approach*

AVIATION

4. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on extending the competence of the European Aviation Safety Agency**
 - *(poss.) Progress report/Political agreement*
5. **External relations:**
 - **(poss.) EU-US negotiations**
 - = *Progress report*
 - **(poss.) Siberian overflights**
 - = *Progress report/Adoption*
6. **(poss.) SESAR (Single Sky):**
 - **Commission communication on the implementation of the SESAR programme**
 - = *Presentation by the Commission*
7. **Revision of the Third package on the liberalisation of air transport**
 - *(poss.) Progress report*

8. AOB

a) (poss.) Airport package

- **Proposal for a Directive on airport charges**
- **Communication on airport capacity**
- **Report on access to the ground handling**
= *Presentation by the Commission*

b) (poss.) Communication on the progress of exploratory talks regarding cooperation in the field of transport with neighbouring countries

- *Presentation by the Commission*

TRANSPORT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY COUNCIL

6–8 JUNE 2007

TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTAL AFFAIRS

1. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on International Roaming Tariffs**
 - *Political agreement*
2. **(poss.) Review of the EU Regulatory Framework for electronic communications networks and services**
 - *Progress report and policy debate*
3. **(poss.) Communication on strengthening Mobile TV in the internal market**
 - *Council conclusions*
4. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 97/67/EC concerning the full accomplishment of the internal market of Community postal services**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement*
5. **Communication on the Midterm-Review of the European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA)**
 - *Exchange of views*

TRANSPORT ISSUES

SHIPPING

6. **Maritime Safety**
 - **Vessel Traffic Monitoring**
 - = *(poss.) Political agreement*
 - **Port state control**
 - = *(poss.) Political agreement*
 - **Liability of carriers of passengers by sea and inland waterways in the event of accident (Athens Protocol)**
 - = *(poss.) Progress report*
 - **(poss.) Accident investigation**
 - = *(poss.) Progress report*

INTERMODAL QUESTIONS AND NETWORKS

7. Global Navigation Satellite System (GALILEO)

- **(poss.) Concession contract negotiations**
= *Conclusions*
- **(poss.) Commission draft mandate on relations with third countries (third country participation in GSA)**
= *Adoption*
- **(poss.) Communication on Public Regulated Services**
= *Exchange of views*
- **(poss.) Green Paper on Galileo Applications**
= *Exchange of views*

LAND TRANSPORT

8. (poss.) Proposal for a Directive relating to the rail, road and inland waterways transport of dangerous goods

- *General approach/Political agreement*

9. (poss.) Commission proposal on cross-acceptance of railway rolling stock

- *General approach/Political agreement*

10. (poss.) Directive on road infrastructure safety management

- *General approach/Political agreement*

11. (poss.) Directive on the retrofitting of mirrors

- *Political agreement*

AVIATION

12. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on extending the competence of the European Aviation Safety Agency

- *(poss.) Political agreement*

13. Revision of the Third package on the liberalisation of air transport

- *(poss.) Progress report/General approach*

14. (poss.) External relations: EU-US negotiations

- *Progress report/Adoption*

15. (poss.) Commission communication on the implementation of the SESAR programme

- *Exchange of views/Council conclusions*

16. **AOB**
- a) **(poss.) Proposal for the revision of the access conditions to the road haulage occupation**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - b) **(poss.) Proposal for the recast of legislation related to market access for the transport of passengers and goods by road, cabotage and drivers certificates**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - c) **(poss.) Proposal on the cross border enforcement of controls and sanctions in the field of road safety**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*

ENERGY

17. **Internal market for electricity and gas**
- a) **Communication: Prospects for the internal gas and electricity market**
 - b) **Sector Inquiry on the gas and electricity markets**
 - c) **Priority Interconnection Plan**
 - *Policy debate*
 - *Council conclusions*
18. **Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Regulation amending Regulation 2422/2001 on a Community Energy Efficiency Labelling Programme for office equipment (Energy Star)**
 - *Adoption (most likely as A item)*
19. **Report on progress in renewable electricity**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Council conclusions*
20. **Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive on heating and cooling from renewable energy sources**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *(poss.) General approach*
21. **(poss.) Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 2003/30/EC of 8 May 2003 on the promotion of the use of biofuels or other renewable fuels for transport**
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *(poss.) General approach*
22. **International relations in the field of energy**
- a) **EU-Russia**
 - b) **EU-OPEC**
 - c) **Energy Community Treaty**
 - d) **Other initiatives**
 - *Information from the Presidency/Commission*

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

29–30 JANUARY 2007

1. Presidency Work Programme

- *Presentation*

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

2. Proposal for a Council Regulation on Fruit & Vegetables sectors reform

- *Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views*

3. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector, and Regulation (EC) No 320/2006 establishing a temporary scheme for the restructuring of the sugar industry in the Community, by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania

- *Adoption (if not adopted under the Finnish Presidency) (possible "A" item)*

4. Simplification and merging of the Common Market Organisations

- *First exchange of views*

5. (poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations

- *Information from the Commission*

COREPER POINTS

6. Cats and dogs furs: Proposal intending to harmonise the prohibition of imports of fur from cats and dogs following national measures taken by several Member States since 2003

- *Policy debate*

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

26–27 FEBRUARY 2007

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Milk:**
 - **Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2597/97 laying down additional rules on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products for drinking milk with regard to standardisation of proteins**
 - **Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2001/114/EC relating to certain partly or wholly dehydrated preserved milk for human consumption**
 - = *Policy debate*
2. **(poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations**
 - *Information from the Commission*
3. **(poss.) Voluntary Modulation of Direct Payments**
 - *Adoption*

COREPER POINTS

4. **EU position for United Nations Forum on Forestry (UNEF-7)**
 - *Council conclusions*
 5. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

19–20 MARCH 2007

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the Simplification of the CAP (Single CMO)**
 - *Policy debate*
2. **Proposal to amend Council Regulation (EC) 1576/89 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks**
 - *Adoption*
3. **Decision on the simplification of the import regime for the manioc from Thailand into the Community**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*
4. **(poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations**
 - *Information from the Commission*

COREPER POINTS

5. **Animal by-Products: Proposal amending Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 October 2002 laying down health rules concerning animal by-products not intended for human consumption**
 - *Exchange of views*
6. **Proposal for a Council Directive laying down minimum rules for the welfare of chicken kept for meat production**
 - *Adoption*
7. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

16-17 APRIL 2007

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Proposals for a Council Regulation on Fruit & Vegetables sectors reform**
 - *Policy debate*
2. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation on potato starch (roll-over)**
 - *Adoption*
3. **(poss.) Commission Recommendation for Council to authorise the Commission to negotiate guaranteed prices applicable in the 2006/07 delivery period to ACP and Indian cane sugar**
 - *Adoption of Decision (possible "A" item)*
4. **(poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations**
 - *Information from the Commission*

COREPER POINTS

5. **International Conference on Animal Welfare (labelling)**
 - *(poss.) Recommendations*
6. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*

FISHERIES

7. **Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing measures for the recovery of the stock of European eel**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*

 8. **Proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision 2004/585/EC establishing the Regional Advisory Councils under the Common Fisheries Policy**
 - *Political agreement*

 9. **(poss.) Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament and the European Economic and Social Committee - Launching a debate on a Community approach towards eco-labelling schemes for fisheries products**
 - *Exchange of views*

 10. **Action Plan: Perspectives for simplifying and improving the regulatory environment of the Common Fisheries Policy**
 - *Exchange of views*

 11. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the use of alien and locally absent species in aquaculture**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*

 12. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Gabonese Republic**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*

 13. **Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Kiribati**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*

 14. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

7-8 MAY 2007

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Communication from the Commission on Cross-compliance**
 - *Conclusions*
2. **Proposal for a Council Decision on the EC-Australia Wine Agreement**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*
3. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Decision approving the EC-India and ACP Agreement on the guaranteed prices for sugar during the delivery period 2006/07**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*
4. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the marketing of the meat of bovine animals aged twelve months or less**
 - *Adoption (possible "A" item)*
5. **Proposal to amend Council Regulation (EC) 1576/89 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks**
 - *Adoption*
6. **Milk:**
 - **Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2597/97 laying down additional rules on the common organisation of the market in milk and milk products for drinking milk with regard to standardisation of proteins**
 - **Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2001/114/EC relating to certain partly or wholly dehydrated preserved milk for human consumption**
 - = *General approach/Adoption*
7. **(poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations**
 - *Information from the Commission*

COREPER POINTS

8. **(poss.) Cats and dogs furs: Proposal intending to harmonise the prohibition of imports of fur from cats and dogs following national measures taken by several Member States since 2003**
 - *Adoption*

9. **Maximum residue limits: Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2377/90 laying down a Community procedure for the establishment of maximum residue limits of veterinary medicinal products in foodstuffs of animal origin**
 - *Presentation*

10. **Better Regulation on the Plant Varieties and Seeds sector**
 - *Council conclusions*

11. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

11–12 JUNE 2007

AGRICULTURE

SCA POINTS

1. **Proposals for a Council Regulation on Fruit & Vegetables sectors reform**
 - *Adoption*
2. **Simplification of CAP**
 - **EU Action Plan**
 - = *Exchange of views*
 - **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the Simplification of the CAP**
 - = *Adoption*
3. **Proposal(s) for a Council Regulation on Wine sector reform**
 - *Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views*
4. **(poss.) State of play of WTO/DDA negotiations**
 - *Information from the Commission*

COREPER POINTS

5. **Hormonal substances: Proposals to replace certain substances in accordance with Article 11a of Directive 2003/74/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 amending Council Directive 96/22/EC concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and of beta-agonists**
 - *Policy debate*
6. **Regulation concerning the placing on the market of plant protection products**
 - *Policy debate*
7. **Directive establishing a framework for Community action to achieve a sustainable use of pesticides**
 - *Progress report*
8. **Proposal for a Council Directive on the control of potato cyst nematodes**
 - *Adoption*

FISHERIES

9. **Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the definition of driftnets**
 - *Political agreement*
10. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation on the Establishment of a Community framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and the provision of scientific advice needed to conduct CFP**
 - *Political agreement*
11. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation on issuing fishing authorisations to fish outside Community waters**
 - *Policy debate/Political agreement*
12. **Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the fishing opportunities for 2008: Policy statement from the European Commission**
 - *Exchange of views*
13. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption (possible "A" item)*
14. **Communication from the Commission on discards**
 - *Exchange of views*
15. **Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a multi-annual plan for the cod stocks in the Baltic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
16. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation introducing additional conditions for deductions from future fishing opportunities to be applied to Member States that have exceeded the fishing opportunities allocated to them**
 - *Political agreement/Adoption*
17. **AOB**
 - **Avian Influenza (H5N1)**
 - = *Information from the Commission*

ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

20 FEBRUARY 2007

1. **Climate Change**
 - *Council conclusions*
2. **Contribution to the Spring European Council ("Key Issues Paper")**
 - *Council conclusions*
3. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive for inclusion of aviation in the EU emission trading scheme**
 - *Policy debate*
4. **Review of the Community Strategy to reduce CO₂ emissions from passenger cars**
 - *Policy debate*
5. **(poss.) Thematic Strategy on the Protection and Conservation of the Marine Environment**
 - **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Framework for Community Action in the field of Marine Environmental Policy (Marine Strategy Directive)**
 - = *Political agreement*
6. **Thematic Strategy on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides**
 - *Council conclusions*
7.
 - **Adaptation to Climate Change**
 - = *Presentation of the Green Paper by the Commission*
 - **Symposium on Climate Change and the European Water Dimension, Vulnerability - Impacts - Adaptation (12-14 February 2007, Berlin)**
 - = *Information from the Presidency*
8. **Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection**
 - **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for the protection of soil and amending Directive 2004/35/EC**
 - = *Policy debate*
9. **Biodiversity: Preparation of the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 9) (Bonn, 19 to 30 May 2008)**
 - *Information from the Presidency*

ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

28–(poss.) 29 JUNE 2007

1. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste**
– *Political agreement*
2. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy and amending Directive 2000/60/EC**
– *Political agreement*
3. **Review of the EU emissions trading scheme**
– *Council conclusions*
4. **Biodiversity: Preparation of the Ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 9) (Bonn, 19 to 30 May 2008)**
– *Council conclusions*
5. **Proposal for a Directive for inclusion of aviation in the EU emission trading scheme**
– *Progress report/Political agreement*
6. **Review of the 6th Environment Action Plan**
– *Council conclusions*
7. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the banning of exports and the safe storage of metallic mercury**
– *Political agreement*
8. **Proposal for a Directive amending Directive 98/70 relating to the quality of petrol and diesel fuels**
– *Political agreement*
9. **Environment, innovation, employment**
– *Council conclusions*
10. **Review of the Community Strategy to reduce CO₂ emissions from passenger cars**
– *Council conclusions*
11. **Revision of the EU regulation on Implementation of the Rotterdam Convention (PIC-regulation)**
– *Political agreement*

12. **(poss.) Exhaust gas emission from heavy duty vehicles (EURO VI)**
 - *Presentation by the Commission/(poss.) Policy debate*
 13. **(poss.) Green Paper of the Commission on ship dismantling**
 - *Presentation by the Commission/(poss.) Policy debate*
 14. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for Community action to achieve a sustainable use of pesticides**
 - *Information from the Presidency*
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EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE COUNCIL

16 FEBRUARY 2007

EDUCATION

1. **Contribution of the EYC Council (in the field of education) to the Spring European Council**
 - *Exchange of views and adoption of key issues paper*

YOUTH

2. **Implementation of the European Pact for Youth – contribution to the Spring European Council**
 - *Council conclusions*
 3. **Reflection process on the Youth policies in Europe over the next 10 years**
 - *Exchange of views*
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EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE COUNCIL

24–25 MAY 2007

CULTURE and AUDIOVISUAL

1. **Commission Communication on the role of Culture in Europe**
 - *Exchange of views*
2. **Economy of Culture**
 - *(poss.) Council conclusions*
3. **UNESCO Convention on Cultural diversity**
 - *Ratification by Member States: state of play*
 - *Information from the Presidency*
4. **Community action for the European capitals of culture event (new Decision to enter into force as from 1 January 2007)**
 - *Implementation of the new decision regarding the nomination by the Council of two experts in the selection panel*
5. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 89/552/EEC on the coordination of certain provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in Member States concerning the pursuit of television broadcasting activities (Television without frontiers)**
 - *Political agreement*

YOUTH

6. **Council Resolution on equal opportunities and social integration for all young people**
 - *Adoption*
7. **Reflection process on the Youth policies in Europe over the next 10 years**
 - *Council conclusions*

EDUCATION

8. **Proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning (EQF)**
 - *(poss.) Political agreement*

- 9. Evidence-based policy-making in the field of Education**
 - *Exchange of views*
 - 10. Communication on coherent framework of indicators and benchmarks and progress report from the Commission on the European indicator of language competence**
 - *(poss.) Council conclusions*
 - 11. European Year to promote links between creativity, culture and education**
 - *(poss.) Communication and draft inter-institutional declaration*
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