

# COMMISSION WORK 2020 PROGRAMME

A Union that strives for more



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

> Brussels, 29.1.2020 COM(2020) 37 final

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

**Commission Work Programme 2020** 

A Union that strives for more

### 1. A Union that strives for more

The people of Europe made their voice heard in record numbers at last year's European elections. They presented Europe's institutions and leaders with a clear task to be **bold and resolute in tackling our generational challenges**. They expect their Union to deliver for them where it matters the most. The European Commission is committed to responding to that call. To build a Union that strives for more.

Throughout the next year and the decade ahead, our Union has a unique opportunity to lead the transition to a **fair, climate-neutral, digital Europe**. This twin ecological and digital transition will affect us all: every country, every region, every person. It will cut across every part of our society and economy. But for it to be successful, it must be just and inclusive for all. The European Union can only fully grasp the opportunities the twin transitions will bring if we draw on all of our strengths and our diversity. In doing so, we must always continue to fight for equality, uphold our values and defend the rule of the law.

This is the driving force behind this Commission's first annual Work Programme. It sets out the most important initiatives the Commission intends to take in its first year – including the commitments for the first 100 days. It is focused around the **six headline ambitions set out in President von der Leyen's Political Guidelines**. It also reflects the main priorities for the European Parliament and those in the European Council's Strategic Agenda for 2019-2024.

There is plenty of room for optimism and pride. After years of crisis management, **Europe can now look forward again**. This Work Programme frames the way ahead and allows us to find solutions to issues that have divided us in the past.

As we set to work, we do so against an increasingly volatile backdrop. Simmering tensions, economic uncertainty, exploding conflicts and moving geopolitical plates shape today's global order. The precarious nature of the world around us is not only limited to other parts of the world but also to our own continent. The need for a strong and united European Union, drawing on all of its diplomatic, economic and political assets, is more evident and more important than ever. This is reflected in the Work Programme of this **Geopolitical Commission**. All actions and initiatives planned will have a strong focus on external action.

If Europe is to deliver on the high expectations of citizens and the ambitions we have set ourselves, we will need the resources to match. The Union needs a new **long-term budget** that is flexible and tailored to our priorities and challenges. The proposals already put on the table by the Commission are a good basis for achieving this and we will adjust these where needed to help us meet our ambitions. The Commission stands ready to support the European Parliament and the Council so that we have a balanced and ambitious long-term budget ready for 1 January 2021. This will allow our investment and spending programmes to be up and running from day one.

There will also be unprecedented challenges ahead. We will have to negotiate a new partnership with the United Kingdom, a country that will remain a partner, ally and friend outside our Union. We are ready to make this a partnership that goes well beyond trade and is unparalleled in scope. We should not underestimate the scale of this task. As was the case during the negotiations of the Withdrawal Agreement, the Commission will ensure a maximum level of transparency during the whole negotiating process towards the other EU institutions, Member States and the public.

As we set about delivering on our ambitious agenda, our compass will be the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. In this spirit, we will put the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals at the heart of our policymaking.** They will guide our work across all sectors, both in our internal and external action, and will show our commitment to sustainable development at home and abroad. As part of this, we will refocus the European Semester by integrating the Sustainable Development Goals and put forward our approach to the overall governance and implementation of the goals.

Bringing the actions set out in this Work Programme to life will be a team effort between the institutions. As set out in the Political Guidelines, this Commission is strongly committed to building a special relationship with the European Parliament and, as part of that, supports **a right of initiative for the Parliament**.

Finally, this Work Programme draws on the indispensable and increasingly prominent use of **strategic foresight**. This reflects the need for sharper insights on the long-term trends and major shifts that are shaping our lives and the future of work, changing the make-up of our economies, environment and societies, impacting global power structures and our strategic autonomy.

By better understanding and anticipating what is on the horizon, we can design and implement policies that help Europe get ahead of the curve. For instance, we need to prepare for the impact a longer life expectancy and global population growth will have on the availability of natural resources or on migration flows, pensions and healthcare. At the same time, we need to focus on the demographic decline affecting much of the EU, including rural depopulation.

There are many more telling examples which show the importance of equipping ourselves with the best possible knowledge on emerging risks and opportunities, as well as the drivers and dependencies behind them. Strategic foresight will help us **take a more pragmatic, long-term approach** to securing our global leadership and guiding our policies for the years to come.

The major initiatives listed below and in the annexes to this Work Programme tell the story of what we want to achieve. They are not an exhaustive or definitive list and for ease of reading are grouped under six headline ambitions. The position of an initiative does not change the responsibilities set out in the mission letters sent to every Member of the College by President von der Leyen. More challenges and opportunities will emerge over the course of the year and the Commission will be ready to act swiftly.

### 2. Delivery on the six headline ambitions

### 2.1. A European Green Deal

The most pressing challenge, responsibility and opportunity for Europe is keeping our planet and people healthy. This is the defining task of our times. The increase in global temperature, the depletion of natural resources and continued biodiversity loss, together with increasing forest fires, floods and other natural disasters undermine our security and prosperity.

The European Green Deal is that response. It will drive us forward to climate neutrality by 2050 and at the same time focus on adaptation. It will help protect and preserve the biodiversity, the natural heritage and the oceans that bring so much wealth to our Union. And it will do so by making our economy and industry more innovative, resource efficient, circular and competitive. **The European Green Deal is our new growth strategy**. It will help create

jobs and make Europe more competitive globally. Our new industrial strategy will be essential in making this happen as an enabler of both the ecological and digital transitions.

The European Green Deal provides a roadmap with policies and measures to deliver the transformative change we need across all sectors. Many of them will be implemented in the Commission's first year in office and form a major part of this Work Programme.

At the heart of it is the first **European Climate Law**, with a binding climate neutrality target for 2050. Based on a comprehensive impact assessment and our analysis of the national energy and climate plans, the Commission will propose a new **EU ambition to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2030**. And as the European Union sets its own ambitious targets, it will also continue to lead international negotiations to increase the ambition of major emitters ahead of the 2020 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow.

The European Green Deal proposes actions across our economy. In this spirit, the Commission will put forward a Strategy for **Smart Sector Integration** and a **Renovation Wave.** As part of efforts to foster a sustainable blue economy, the Commission will also propose a new approach for exploiting Europe's offshore renewable energy potential. This will help citizens have access to affordable clean energy contribute to secure energy supply. The Commission will also propose an overarching Strategy for Sustainable and Smart Mobility to modernise and green our transport sector.

The transition will also entail a change in the way we use, produce and consume things. The **new Circular Economy Action Plan** will help transform our production and consumption system with a view to reducing its environmental and carbon footprint.

The European Green Deal is also about addressing the alarming loss of biodiversity and healthy ecosystems which threaten the resilience of our nature, wellbeing and economy. To address this, the Commission will present a new **EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030** to ensure we can preserve and protect the natural environment we all hold dear. A 'Farm to Fork' Strategy for the whole food chain will support our farmers to provide Europeans with high quality, nutritious, affordable and safe food in a more sustainable way.

Europe's high ambition and the deep transition it will embark on must be properly financed. The next long-term EU budget has a key role to play in investing where it is most needed and in helping leverage the private and public investment that Europe needs. At the start of this year, the Commission proposed the **European Green Deal Investment Plan** to unlock at least €1 trillion of sustainable investments over the next decade. The InvestEU guarantee will support this by de-risking private funds. To ensure sustainable investments are mainstreamed across our financial system, a **Renewed Sustainable Finance Strategy** will aim at redirecting private capital flows to green investments. Embedding a culture of sustainable corporate governance in private sector firms will be equally important.

The transition to a climate neutral continent will only happen if it is fair and just for all. No one can be left behind. Different parts of Europe and its economy will need to make a bigger change than most. The European Union must support Member States with the targeted investment they need to make that transition. The **Just Transition Mechanism**, and its accompanying **Just Transition Fund**, proposed in early 2020 will support the most affected regions and sectors. It will help them to modernise and diversify their economies and alleviate the social and economic costs of the transition.

Preserving our climate and environment is a collective responsibility. We all have a duty to act and Europeans have shown their strong will to be part of the change. The **European** 

**Climate Pact** will bring together all of these efforts, involving regions, local communities, civil society, schools, industry and individuals.

### 2.2. A Europe fit for the digital age

The digital transition is already having a significant impact on every aspect of our lives and careers. It opens up new opportunities to connect, communicate, solve societal issues and do business. The European Union has all the assets to make the most of this transformation and become a digital leader across the board. It must move first on the future technologies with the most potential, while ensuring the European approach is human, ethical and values-based.

A new **European Data Strategy** will enable us to make the most of the enormous value of non-personal data as an ever-expanding and re-usable asset in the digital economy. The Commission will also put forward a **White Paper on Artificial Intelligence** to support its development and uptake and ensure full respect of European values and fundamental rights. Making the most of artificial intelligence will help us find new solutions to old problems and reduce the time required to perform a broad range of tasks. However, we need to establish an ecosystem of trust to ensure it develops within clearly defined ethical boundaries.

A new **Digital Services Act** will reinforce the single market for digital services and help provide smaller businesses with the legal clarity and level playing field they need. Protecting citizens and their rights, not least the freedom of expression, will be at the core of our efforts.

Digitalisation and cybersecurity are two sides of the same coin. To further strengthen overall cybersecurity in the Union, the Commission will **review the Directive on Security of Network and Information Systems**. We will also put forward initiatives to make digital finance more robust against cyber-attacks, including a **Proposal on Crypto Assets**.

Enhancing Europe's digital leadership and strategic autonomy will require a strengthening of our industrial and innovation capacity. To support this, the Commission will propose a comprehensive **new Industrial Strategy for Europe** that supports the ecological and digital transition and upholds fair competition. This will be backed up with a dedicated **SME Strategy** that will make it easier for small and medium-sized businesses to operate, scale up and expand. Specific attention will be paid to the media and audio-visual sectors.

Making markets work better for consumers, business and society will be essential in making Europe fit for the digital age. We can only reap the benefits of our unique single market if the rules are respected on the ground. The Commission will therefore **report on the Single Market Barriers** and propose **a Single Market Enforcement Action Plan** to ensure better implementation and enforcement. We also need to ensure fair competition and the level playing field in the global market. A **White Paper on an Instrument on Foreign Subsidies** will reflect on possible new tools to address the distortive effects of foreign subsidies in the single market. This will help prepare the ground for a legislative proposal in 2021.

Services provided via online platforms have opened up new opportunities for labour, such as flexibility for working time. However, there is growing uncertainty on a number of issues for platform-based work. These include employment status, working conditions, access to social protection, and access to representation and collective bargaining. We will therefore propose ways next year to **improve the labour conditions for platform workers.** 

Investment in digital skills will be essential to address a widening skills gap and changing work patterns, as well as to regain European mastery and ownership of key technologies. Coupled with improving digital literacy, this will be the driver of the **updated Digital** 

Education Action Plan. A Communication on the Future of Research and Innovation and the European Research Area will look at how we can better pool resources, as well as deepen our research, innovation and knowledge capacity.

### 2.3. An economy that works for people

Europe's economy is now growing for the seventh consecutive year, a trend set to continue this year and next. Employment is at a record high and unemployment at its lowest recorded level since the turn of the century. However, unemployment and poverty levels remain too high in some Member States. Inequalities persist and regional disparities within countries have increased. With clouds on the horizon, notably linked to a global economic slowdown, significant challenges will lie ahead.

Europe has a unique social market economy that allows us to combine social fairness, sustainability and economic growth. This helps drive our competitive sustainability. Putting the social and the market together will be more important than ever as we embark on our twin transitions. In its Communication on a **Strong Social Europe for Just Transitions**, the Commission launched a process of dialogue and consultation to prepare the ground for an Action Plan to implement the **European Pillar of Social Rights**.

In parallel, the Commission will put forward a legal instrument on **fair minimum wages for workers in the EU**, in consultation with social partners and all relevant stakeholders. This will respect national traditions and collective bargaining. A proposal for a **European Unemployment Reinsurance Scheme** will aim to support those in work and protect those who have lost their jobs because of external shocks, notably by supporting their reskilling.

A new **European Child Guarantee**, to be presented next year, will be an important tool in fighting poverty and ensuring children have access to basic services. To help young people to get the education, training and job opportunities they need, the Commission will **reinforce the Youth Guarantee**.

Since the recent financial crisis, we have made marked progress to strengthen the single currency area and make Europe's Economic and Monetary Union more robust. However, important steps still need to be taken. The Commission will **review the economic governance framework** and provide an overview of how fiscal rules have worked in recent years. The review will launch a broad consultation with Member States and other stakeholders to explore ways to improve the economic governance framework of the EU.

The Commission will continue to monitor the implementation of Bulgaria and Croatia's policy commitments made in view of joining the Exchange Rate Mechanism, a critical step towards the adoption of the euro.

The Action Plan on the Capital Markets Union will aim at better integrating national capital markets and ensuring equal access to investments and funding opportunities for citizens and businesses across the EU, including an initiative to strengthen intra-EU investment protection. This work, along with completing the Banking Union, will be evermore important after the United Kingdom's departure and is an essential tool to help strengthen the international role of the euro.

To ensure the integrity of the European financial system and reduce the risks of instability, a new **Action Plan on Anti-Money Laundering** will seek to improve the supervisory system and improve the enforcement of the rules.

Technological change and globalisation have enabled new business models. This creates opportunities but also means that the international corporate tax framework has to keep pace. The Commission will present a Communication on **Business Taxation for the 21<sup>st</sup> century**, focusing on the taxation aspects relevant in the Single Market. This will be complemented by an **Action Plan to Fight Tax Evasion** and make taxation simple and easy.

The Commission will adopt an **Action Plan on the Customs Union** that will focus on three pillars: ensure protection of the borders, promote compliance of the rules and improve the governance of the Customs Union. The Commission will also adopt a **legislative proposal on a Customs Single Window** to reinforce the protection of the borders and simplify administrative procedures for companies.

### 2.4. A stronger Europe in the world

The rules-based multilateral system has been essential in sustaining peace and stability since the end of the Second World War. Despite this system being challenged in an unprecedented way in recent years, Europe will always be committed to **upholding**, **updating and upgrading the rules-based global order** to ensure it is fit for today's world. At the same time, Europe needs to be more geopolitical, more united and more effective in the way that it thinks and acts. It needs to invest in alliances and coalitions to advance our values, promote and protect Europe's interests through open and fair trade and strengthen the links between our internal and external policies.

**European diplomacy** will continue to be essential across all continents, helping us to engage with our partners both bilaterally and in multilateral frameworks. The Commission will play its full role in this, including by negotiating agreements within its competence and mandates.

A stronger Europe in the world means working hand-in-hand with our neighbours and partners. In this spirit, the Commission and the High Representative will develop a new comprehensive **Strategy with Africa** to boost economic relations, create jobs in both continents and deepen our partnership across the board. In parallel, the Commission will seek to complete negotiations on a new Partnership Agreement between the EU and the countries of **Africa**, the **Caribbean and the Pacific**, to replace the Cotonou agreement that expires at the end of February 2020.

Closer to home, the European Union is committed to deepening its **partnership with the Western Balkans** – a region with which it shares so much. A credible accession perspective for the region is of enormous strategic importance to the Union and to the region itself. This will be reaffirmed in the Commission's contribution to the EU-Western Balkans Summit in Zagreb in May 2020. The Commission will continue to push for the opening of accession negotiations with North Macedonia and Albania. In parallel, it will seek to keep up the momentum by putting forward ways to **enhance the accession process**, including on the enlargement methodology and on a reinforced investment framework.

Europe has established a strong partnership with its Eastern neighbours, building a common area of shared democracy, prosperity, stability and increased cooperation. In order to maintain and further strengthen the dynamism of this important relationship we will put forward a **new Eastern Partnership post-2020** outlining a new set of long-term policy objectives.

The European Union believes that free, fair and open trade can only function with a strong and effective World Trade Organization (WTO). The Commission intends to lead international efforts and work with partners to reform the WTO. We will strengthen our call for rules that are fair, effective, and enforceable and that create a level playing field for all trading parties. The Commission therefore intends to launch **a broad initiative on WTO reform** following the next WTO Ministerial Conference in June 2020, with a view to reaching a comprehensive agreement.

We will also uphold the rules-based global order through a Communication on **Strengthening Europe's Economic and Financial Sovereignty**. This will build on the stronger international role of the euro. It will also prepare the ground for a reinforced sanctions mechanism next year to ensure that Europe is more resilient to extraterritorial sanctions by third countries and that sanctions imposed by the EU are properly enforced.

The Commission will work closely with the Council on an Action Plan on **Human Rights** and **Democracy** that will focus on the EU's leading role in setting standards on human rights and upholding International Humanitarian Law. The Commission will also put forward an Action Plan on **Gender Equality and Women Empowerment in External Relations.** 

### 2.5. Promoting our European way of life

The European way of life is built around our values of solidarity, equality and fairness. It is about feeling safe, secure and having peace of mind, supporting the most vulnerable in our society and championing inclusion. It is about finding common solutions to shared challenges and equipping people with the skills they need, and investing in their health and wellbeing. It is about building stronger, more cohesive and more resilient European societies.

The European Union has an important role in helping Europeans take care of their health. We want Europe to take the lead in the fight against cancer. The Commission will put forward **Europe's Beating Cancer Plan** to support Member States in their efforts to improve cancer prevention and care. The Commission will also launch a **Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe** to continue ensuring the quality and safety of medicines and consolidating the sector's global competitiveness. Europe should also make sure that all patients can benefit from innovation while resisting the pressure of increasing costs of medicines.

Part of the European way of life is about fostering skills, education and inclusion. This provides the tools and knowledge for people to thrive and play their full part in the twin transitions. The Commission is fully committed to making **the European Education Area a reality by 2025**. This requires a whole of life approach, from early to adult age. We will present a new **Skills Agenda for Europe** to help identify and fill skills shortages, as well as support reskilling. We will also present a new **Action Plan on Integration and Inclusion** to ensure our societies protect the most vulnerable.

Feeling secure and having peace of mind is one of the most basic and important priorities for Europeans. Nothing can be more important for our way of life than protecting our children. In this spirit, the Commission will set out an EU Strategy for a more effective **fight against child sexual abuse**.

In recent years, new, increasingly complex cross-border and cross-sectorial security threats have emerged, highlighting the need for closer cooperation on security at all levels. The Commission will put forward a **new EU Security Union Strategy** in order to set out the areas where the Union can bring added value to support Member States in ensuring security – from combatting terrorism and organised crime, to preventing and detecting hybrid threats, to cybersecurity and increasing the resilience of our critical infrastructure. The Commission will also strengthen the Europol mandate in order to reinforce operational police cooperation.

The EU has taken major strides in its work on migration and borders since the 2015 European Agenda on Migration. To give the impetus and the fresh start needed, the Commission will come forward with a **New Pact on Migration and Asylum**. This will be a whole-of-route approach, acknowledging that the internal and external aspects of migration are inextricably linked. The reform of the Common European Asylum Policy will remain an essential part of this comprehensive approach. The Commission will deliver a more resilient, more humane and more effective migration and asylum system, which will also underpin confidence in the Schengen Area of free movement.

### 2.6. A new push for European democracy

Upholding a strong and vibrant democracy in Europe is a question of legitimacy and trust. Democracy is a core value of our Union, together with fundamental rights and the rule of law. However, European democracy faces multiple challenges, both from outside and from within.

To respond to this, the Commission will present a **European Democracy Action Plan** to help improve the resilience of our democracies and address the threats of external interference in European elections. The aim will be to counter disinformation and to adapt to evolving threats and manipulations, as well as to support free and independent media.

To help further strengthen our democracy, citizens, EU institutions, national, regional and local politicians will join forces in a debate in the **Conference on the Future of Europe**. The Commission has put forward its ideas on the Conference in January in order to swiftly agree its scope, format and objectives with the European Parliament and Council.

Part of the strength of our democracy is our determination to uphold the rights and the rule of law. The work to protect them never stops. As part of the new rule of law mechanism, the Commission will launch its first **Annual Rule of Law Report**, covering all Member States. This will contribute to strengthening Europe's rule of law culture in the EU. It will also put forward a new **Strategy for the Implementation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights** with focus on awareness raising at national level.

Equality is a core value of the European Union and is a driver for economic growth and social well-being. The Commission will present a **Gender Equality Strategy** to address the key challenges that women face today, including **gender-based violence**, economic independence and access to the labour market. Proposals on pay transparency will be put forward.

The Commission will also take action to promote **equality and better inclusion of Roma people.** A dedicated Strategy will help ensure **the equality of LGBTI people across the EU**. Particular attention must always be given to protecting the most vulnerable. The Commission will put forward an **EU Strategy for Victims' Rights** 

As part of our work to better understand and respond these changes, the Commission will present a **Report on the Impact of Demographic Change**. This will look at how new demographic realities affect everything from social and regional policy, health, finance, digital connectivity, skills and integration. The Commission will also propose a **long-term vision** for rural areas and a **Green Paper on Ageing**.

The Commission's new **Consumer Agenda** will align consumer protection with today's realities, notably cross-border and online transactions. It will allow consumers to make informed choices and play an active role in the ecological and digital transitions.

# 3. Review of initiatives proposed under previous mandates not yet agreed by the European Parliament and Council

To ensure that our efforts are geared towards delivering on the main priorities we have set for this mandate, the Commission carefully examined all proposals that are pending adoption by the European Parliament and Council to assess whether they should be maintained, amended or withdrawn<sup>1</sup>. In its assessment, the Commission verified whether the pending proposals are in line with our headline ambitions, whether they are still fit to address current challenges and can be successfully implemented, and whether they have reasonable prospects of being adopted in the near future. We also carefully considered the views expressed by the Parliament and Council.

This in-depth analysis of the legislative proposals that are currently pending agreement with the Parliament and Council, led the Commission to conclude that 32 of these should be withdrawn.

The Commission remains fully committed to achieving the main objectives behind many of the proposals suggested for discontinuity. However, the progress on these files requires taking a step back to reflect how to achieve their goals in the most efficient way.

All the proposals the Commission intends to withdraw are listed in Annex IV, including an explanation of the reasons for withdrawal.

Before proceeding with withdrawals, the Commission will consult the European Parliament and the Council on the proposed list. From the remaining pending initiatives, the Commission has identified those legislative initiatives that should get priority attention in the legislative process in 2020; these are listed in Annex III.

### 4. Better Regulation, policymaking, implementation and enforcement of EU law

The Commission has put forward an ambitious agenda to invest in our people, the planet and the economy, in partnership with other EU institutions, Member States, regions and civil society actors. **Better Regulation will continue to be at the heart of our policy-making**. This Commission is committed to designing and implementing policies that deliver tangible results on the ground, and make life easier for people and businesses. As part of the commitment made in the European Green Deal, all initiatives will live up to a green oath to 'do no harm'.

As part of continuous efforts to improve policymaking, the Commission will prepare its first **Foresight Report.** This will identify major trends and their potential policy implications. It will help to raise public debate on long-term strategic issues, provide recommendations to help us meet the goals Europe has set itself. The Commission will present a **Communication on Better Regulation**. The Commission will strive to reinforce evidence from evaluations, integrate foresight in its regulatory tools, apply the concept of 'active' subsidiarity and develop more efficient consultations of citizens.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In line with Article 39 of the Framework Agreement between the European Parliament and European Commission, OJ L304, 20.11.2010, which states that "*The Commission shall proceed with a review of all pending proposals at the beginning of the new Commission's term of office, in order to politically confirm or withdraw them, taking due account of the views expressed by Parliament*". Provisions on withdrawals of pending proposals are also included in the 2016 Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, OJ L123, 12.05.2016.

The Commission will also develop a new instrument based on the 'One In, One Out' **approach** to ensure that newly introduced administrative burdens are offset by relieving people and businesses – notably SMEs – of equivalent administrative costs at EU level in the same policy area. This approach will not lower our social and ecological standards, nor be applied in a purely mechanical way. Its purpose is to make sure that EU legislation benefits its final users without imposing unnecessary burdens on citizens and businesses, notably SMEs. For this to happen, we need to prepare EU legislation from a user-perspective and consistently apply the digital-by-default principle.

Simplification and burden reduction will rely on close cooperation with the co-legislators, Member States, regions and local authorities. To uphold its commitment to delivering maximum benefits to businesses and people while avoiding unnecessary burdens, the Commission will set up the **Fit-for-future platform**. This platform will bring the expertise of national administrations, regions, social partners, small and large businesses as well as consumer, health and environmental and other NGOs. The platform will consider opportunities for simplification, burden reduction, digitisation and checking if the legislation is fit for the future.

Any legislation can only serve its purpose if it is implemented uniformly. In this spirit, the Commission will continue to **closely monitor the transposition and application of existing legislation**. It will seek dialogue with the Member States to better understand problems, find solutions and ultimately save time and taxpayers' money in the process. In cases where dialogue does not deliver results, **the Commission will not hesitate to take strong and effective enforcement action** wherever necessary.

### 5. Conclusion

This Work Programme and the first year of this mandate will set the vision, direction and pace for the next five years. The first 100 days will be crucial as a statement of intent to Europeans that their Union will respond to the ambition and the call made in last year's elections.

Each of the initiatives listed in this work programme is ultimately about serving the people of Europe. To make lives easier and healthier, societies fairer and more just, opportunities more varied and accessible, and economies more modern and geared towards wider objectives. But they can only serve our Union in this way if Europe's Member States and its institutions work together to turn proposals into legislation and then into results on the ground. The Commission is determined and committed to working in partnership with both the European Parliament and the Council to make this happen.

In implementing this work programme, the Commission will also focus on explaining what we are doing and taking on board the views of citizens, including through the Conference on the Future of Europe. Along with our work on foresight, this engagement will be an important part of deciding on future priorities, policies and work programmes.

By drawing on all Europe's strengths, by reinforcing the link between citizens and those that serve them and by ensuring that our institutions work together we can collectively seize the opportunities that lie ahead in the next five years and beyond. To strive for more at home in order to lead in the world.



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

> Brussels, 29.1.2020 COM(2020) 37 final

ANNEXES 1 to 5

### ANNEXES

to the

COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

**Commission Work Programme 2020** 

A Union that strives for more

### Annex I: New initiatives<sup>1</sup>

No.	Policy objective	Initiatives	
A Eu	A European Green Deal		
1.	The European Green Deal	<b>Communication on the European Green Deal</b> (non-legislative, Q4 2019); <b>European Climate Law enshrining the 2050 climate neutrality objective</b> (legislative, Article 192(1) TFEU, Q1 2020); <b>The European Climate Pact</b> (non-legislative, Q3 2020)	
2.	Financing the sustainable transition	European Green Deal Investment Plan (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Just Transition Fund (legislative, Article 175 TFEU, Q1 2020); Renewed Sustainable Finance Strategy (non-legislative, Q3 2020); Review of the Non-Financial Reporting Directive (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
3.	Commission contribution to COP26 in Glasgow	2030 Climate Target Plan (non-legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q3 2020); New EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change (non-legislative, Q4 2020); New EU Forest Strategy (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
4.	Sustainability of food systems	'Farm to Fork' Strategy (non-legislative, Q1 2020)	
5.	Decarbonising energy	Strategy for smart sector integration (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Renovation wave (non-legislative, Q3 2020); Offshore renewable energy (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
6.	Sustainable production and consumption	New Circular Economy Action Plan (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Empowering the consumer for the green transition (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
7.	Protecting our environment	<b>EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030</b> (non-legislative, Q1 2020); 8 <sup>th</sup> Environmental Action Programme (legislative, Article 192(3) TFEU, Q2 2020); Chemicals strategy for sustainability (non-legislative, Q3 2020)	
8.	Sustainable and smart mobility	<ul> <li>Strategy for sustainable and smart mobility (non-legislative, Q4 2020);</li> <li>ReFuelEU Aviation - Sustainable Aviation Fuels (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 100(2) TFEU and/or Article 192(1) TFEU, Q4 2020);</li> <li>FuelEU Maritime - Green European Maritime Space (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 100(2) TFEU and/or Article 192(1) TFEU, Q4 2020)</li> </ul>	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In this annex, the Commission provides further information, as far as available, on the initiatives included in its Work Programme, in line with the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-making. This information, which is provided in brackets next to each initiative, is indicative only and subject to change during the preparatory process, notably in view of the outcome of an impact assessment process.

No.	Policy objective	Initiatives	
A Eu	A Europe Fit for the Digital Age		
9.	Europe fit for the digital age	A Strategy for Europe - Fit for the Digital Age (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Digital Education Action Plan (update) (non-legislative, Q2 2020)	
10.	A European approach to Artificial Intelligence	<ul> <li>White Paper on Artificial Intelligence (non-legislative, Q1 2020);</li> <li>European Strategy for Data (non-legislative, Q1 2020);</li> <li>Follow-up to the White Paper on Artificial Intelligence, including on safety, liability, fundamental rights and data (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)</li> </ul>	
11.	Digital services	Digital Services Act (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
12.	Increasing cybersecurity	Review of the Directive on security of network and information systems (NIS Directive) (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
13.	Digital for consumers	Common chargers for mobile phones and similar devices (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q3 2020); Review of the Roaming Regulation (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
14.	A new industrial strategy for Europe	Industrial Strategy (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Single Market Barriers Report (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Single Market Enforcement Action Plan (non-legislative, Q1 2020); SME Strategy (non-legislative, Q1 2020); White Paper on an Instrument on Foreign Subsidies (non-legislative, Q2 2020)	
15.	Aviation services package	<b>Revision of airport charges</b> (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 100(2) TFEU, Q4 2020); <b>Revision of the provision of air services</b> (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 100(2) TFEU, Q4 2020)	
16.	Towards a European Research Area	Communication on the Future of Research and Innovation and the European Research Area (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Communication on Horizon Europe research and innovation missions (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
17.	Digital finance	Action Plan on FinTech including a Strategy on an Integrated EU Payments Market (non-legislative, Q3 2020); Proposal on Crypto Assets (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q3 2020); Cross-sectoral financial services act on operational and cyber resilience (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q3 2020)	
An F	An Economy that Works for People		
18.	Social Europe	A Strong Social Europe for Just Transitions (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Fair minimum wages for workers in the EU (Articles 153(1)b, 153(2) and 154 TFEU, Q1/Q3 2020); Reinforcing the Youth Guarantee (non-legislative, Q2 2020); European Unemployment Reinsurance Scheme (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q4 2020)	

No.	Policy objective	Initiatives
19.	Economic Governance	Review of the Economic Governance Framework (non-legislative, Q1 2020)
20.	Deepening the Capital Markets Union	Action Plan on the Capital Markets Union (non-legislative, Q3 2020); Review of the regulatory framework for investment firms and market operators (MiFIDII and MiFIR), including the establishment of an EU consolidated tape (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 53(1) and 114(1) TFEU, Q3 2020); Review of the Benchmark Regulation (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 (1) TFEU, Q3 2020)
21.	Completing the Banking Union	Action Plan on Anti-Money Laundering (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Review of the Capital Requirements legislation (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 114 TFEU (CRR) and 53 TFEU (CRD), Q2 2020)
22.	Effective taxation	Business Taxation for the 21st century (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Action Plan to fight tax evasion and to make taxation simple and easy (legislative and non-legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 113 and 115 TFEU, Q2 2020)
23.	Customs Union Package	Action Plan on the Customs Union (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Proposal on Customs Single Window (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 33 and 114 TFEU, Q3 2020)
A Sti	onger Europe in the World	
24.	International cooperation	<b>Signature and conclusion of the Agreement between the EU and the countries of Africa, the Caribbean and the</b> <b>Pacific</b> (legislative, Articles 217 and 218 TFEU, Q3 2020)
25.	Financial sovereignty	Strengthening Europe's Economic and Financial Sovereignty (non-legislative, Q3 2020)
26.	Africa Strategy	Towards a comprehensive Strategy with Africa (non-legislative, Q1 2020)
27.	Enlargement	Enhancing the accession process – A credible EU perspective for the Western Balkans (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Stepping up our engagement with the Western Balkans – The Commission's contribution to the EU-Western Balkans Summit (non-legislative, Q2 2020)
28.	Eastern Partnership	Eastern Partnership post 2020 (non-legislative, Q1 2020)
29.	Human Rights, Democracy and Gender Equality	Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy (2020-2024) (legislative and non-legislative, Q1 2020); EU Action Plan on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment in External Relations for 2021-2025 (non- legislative, Q4 2020)
30.	WTO reform	WTO reform initiative (non-legislative, Q4 2020)

No.	Policy objective	Initiatives	
Pron	Promoting our European Way of Life		
31.	Fostering skills, education and inclusion	Updated Skills Agenda for Europe (non-legislative, Q1 2020); Achieving the European Education Area (non-legislative, Q3 2020); Action Plan on Integration and Inclusion (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
32.	A New Pact on Migration and Asylum	A New Pact on Migration and Asylum and accompanying legal proposals (non-legislative and legislative, Articles 78 and 79 TFEU, Q1 2020)	
33.	Fostering Europe's security	A new Security Union Strategy (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Strengthening of Europol's mandate (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 88 TFEU, Q4 2020); Proposal for additional measures on Critical Infrastructure Protection (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q4 2020); A New EU Strategy towards the Eradication of Trafficking in Human Beings (non-legislative, Q4 2020); EU Strategy for a more effective fight against child sexual abuse (non-legislative, Q2 2020)	
34.	Protecting health	Europe's Beating Cancer Plan (non-legislative, Q4 2020); A Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
A Ne	w Push for European Democracy		
35.	Consumer agenda	A new Consumer Agenda (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
36.	Addressing the impact of demographic change	<b>Report on the Impact of Demographic Change</b> (non-legislative, Q1 2020); <b>Green Paper on Ageing</b> (non-legislative, Q4 2020)	
37.	Equality and non-discrimination initiatives	<ul> <li>European Gender Equality Strategy (non-legislative, Q1 2020), followed by binding pay transparency measures (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 157 TFEU, Q4 2020);</li> <li>LGBTI Equality Strategy (non-legislative, Q4 2020);</li> <li>Post 2020 EU Framework on Roma Equality and Inclusion Strategies (non-legislative, Q4 2020)</li> </ul>	
38.	Democracy	<b>European Democracy Action Plan</b> (non-legislative and legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 224 and 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)	
39.	Future of Europe	Shaping the Conference on the Future of Europe (non-legislative, Q1 2020)	
40.	Rule of Law	2020 Annual Rule of Law Report (non-legislative, Q3 2020)	
41.	Fundamental rights	New Strategy for the Implementation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights (non-legislative, Q4 2020); EU Strategy for Victims' Rights (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Report on the application of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (non-legislative, Q2 2020); Alignment of relevant Union law enforcement rules with regard to data protection (non-legislative, Q2 2020)	

No.	Policy objective	Initiatives
42.	Better Regulation	Communication on Better Regulation (non-legislative, Q2 2020)
43.	Foresight	2020 Annual Foresight Report (non-legislative, Q2 2020)

## Annex II: REFIT initiatives<sup>2</sup>

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
A Eur	opean Green Deal	
1.	Evaluation of marketing standards (contained in the single Common Market Organisation (CMO) Regulation, the "breakfast directives" and CMO secondary legislation)	The evaluation of marketing standards will help to assess the coherence between the various pieces of legislation as well as to identify potential for simplification. The evaluation's results might serve as a basis for the reflection on the need for regulatory changes related to marketing standards.
2.	Evaluation of Geographical Indications and Traditional Specialities Guaranteed protected in the EU	The evaluation of geographical indications and traditional specialities guarantees will help to assess the coherence between the various pieces of the legal framework for EU quality schemes and will provide the opportunity to consider the need for its improvement (modernisation, simplification and streamlining). Its results might serve as basis to reflect on the need for regulatory changes related to EU quality schemes.
3.	Revision of the Guidelines on certain State aid measures in the context of the greenhouse gas emission allowance trading scheme post-2020	Member States can compensate some electro-intensive users for part of the higher electricity costs resulting from the EU Emissions Trading Scheme. The objective of such compensation is to minimise carbon leakage risk, which materialises when emission costs cause relocation from the EU to third countries without comparable constraints. The existing rules allowing for compensation will be revised to ensure that they are adapted to the new Emissions Trading Scheme for the period 2021-2030. (non-legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q4 2020)
4.	<b>Revision of the Trans-European Energy</b> Networks (TEN-E) Regulation	This initiative will ensure that the TEN-E Regulation is fully in line with the European Green Deal and the Union's long-term decarbonisation objectives while contributing to sector and market integration, security of supply and competition. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 170-171 TFEU, Q4 2020)
5.	Evaluation of Directive 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (ROHS)	The evaluation of the ROHS Directive will assess its effectiveness and efficiency in terms of the procedure for adopting substance restrictions and granting exemptions to restrictions. It will also assess its coherence with and relevance to other EU legislation, in particular, in light of the evaluations of REACH and Ecodesign Directive.
6.	Evaluation of Directive 2000/53/EU on end-of-life vehicles (ELV)	The evaluation of the ELV Directive will assess its effectiveness, efficiency, coherence with other legislation and relevance in light of the wider policy objectives on circular economy, plastics, resource efficiency, raw materials etc.
7.	Evaluation of the Directive 2010/75/EU on industrial emissions (IED)	The evaluation of the IED Directive will assess its effectiveness, efficiency, EU added-value, coherence with other legislation and relevance to address important (agro) industrial sources of air, water and soil pollution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This annex sets out the most significant revisions, evaluations and Fitness Checks the Commission will undertake, including evaluation work to follow up the Opinions of the REFIT Platform. They will be finalised by the end of 2020.

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
8.	Fitness check of EU rules against illegal logging (EU Timber Regulation, Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 and EU FLEGT Regulation (EC) No 2173/200)	The fitness check will assess the effectiveness, efficiency, coherence, relevance and the EU added-value of the both regulations in contributing to the fight against illegal logging globally. The lessons learnt from the fitness check will be useful for the assessment of demand side measures for other commodities.
9.	Revision of the EU Battery Directive	As concluded by the evaluation/implementation reports of the Batteries Directive, the revision should aim to better factor in circularity, improve sustainability and keep pace with technological developments. This is foreseen also in the Batteries Strategic Action Plan. Following the conclusions of the reports on the Directive, the initiative will modify the Directive or a proposal for a new Regulation repealing the Directive will be prepared, to notably encompass end-of-life and sustainability requirements. (legislative, incl. impact assessment; Q4 2020)
10.	Fitness Check on the relevant EU legislation on endocrine disruptors	Endocrine disruptors are substances that alter the functioning of the endocrine (hormonal) system and negatively affect the health of humans or animals. A variety of EU measures regulates these substances. The fitness check will assess whether these measures deliver the overall objective to protect human health and the environment. It will assess the coherence, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance and EU added-value of EU legislation, with emphasis on coherence across the chemicals acquis.
11.	Revision of the Marketing standards Regulation applicable to fishery and aquaculture products in the EU	This revision will simplify the legal set-up: one (EU) Regulation will replace three regulations currently covering also aquaculture products, transparency and consumer information. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 43 TFEU, Common Fisheries Policy, Q4 2020)
12.	Evaluation of Regulation 913/2010 concerning a European rail network for competitive freight (Rail Freight Corridor Regulation)	Increasing freight transport by rail is a key element of EU policy to reduce transport CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, but it is facing difficulties. The Regulation on rail freight corridors aims to improve cooperation and coordination along a number of corridors with particular potential for developing international rail freight. Regulation (EU) 913/2010 concerning a European rail network for competitive freight has entered into force in 2010, and nine rail freight corridors were established, with two more corridors added later. The aim of this evaluation is to provide a complete overview of the implementation of the Regulation as well as an assessment of its effects. It will be useful to determine what further action at EU level is needed to boost rail freight.
13.	Evaluation of Directive 2009/128/EC on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides	This evaluation will look, <i>inter alia</i> , at the progress achieved by the Directive in reducing dependency on pesticides and stimulating the take-up of low-risk and non-chemical alternatives to pesticides. Simplification potential will also be considered, for example concerning the rules for inspection of pesticides application equipment and new official control rules.
14.	Evaluation of the EU Animal Welfare Strategy (2012-2015)	This evaluation will look at the extent to which the EU Animal Welfare Strategy has contributed to simplifying the EU animal welfare framework and at the remaining scope for simplification, having regard to the evolution of needs in this area.

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)	
15.	Evaluation on authorisation of plant protection products and maximum residue levels for pesticides	This evaluation covers the implementation and functioning of Regulation 1107/2009 on plant protection products and Regulation 396/2005 on maximum residue levels in all Member States since their applicability in June 2011 and September 2008, respectively. It proposes possible ways to enhance the implementation of the Regulations in order to simplify or strengthen the current regulatory framework, e.g. to address delays and increase transparency, improve the zonal system for authorisation and mutual recognition of authorisations, promote sustainable plant protection, low risk solutions and efficient risk mitigation, as well as to increase coherence and consistency between the Regulations and other EU legislation. The evaluation looks also into the issues raised in the <u>REFIT Platform opinion XI.10.a</u> on Multiple use/Multiple source substances – Chlorate adopted on 7/6/2017 and in the <u>REFIT Platform opinion XI.22.a</u> on the registration of plant protection products – adopted on 14/03/2019.	
16.	Evaluation of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 on nutrition and health claims made on food with regard to nutrient profiles and health claims made on plants and their preparations and of the general regulatory framework for their use in foods	This evaluation looks at the issue raised by the <u>REFIT Platform Opinion XI.11.a-b</u> on the establishment of nutrient profiles. The evaluation assessed the impacts of the current situation (where no nutrient profiles exist at EU level). It looks at whether nutrient profiles are still fit for their purpose, warranted and adequate to ensure the objectives of the Claims Regulation. The results of this evaluation are also awaited to address the issues raised on Traditional Herbal Medicines Products Directive by businesses, as included in the <u>REFIT Platform opinion XI.6.a-b</u> .	
17.	Evaluation of Food Contact Materials	This evaluation scrutinises all aspects of the current EU food contact materials legislation, including the effectiveness of the declaration of compliance, which is currently required for specific measures at EU level. On the basis of this evaluation, the Commission will consider if further measures are necessary at EU level, including consideration of different issues such as the one raised by the <u>REFIT Platform Opinion XI.1a</u> , which recommends a common European requirement for a declaration of compliance for all types of food contact materials.	
18.	Evaluation of the Directive 2005/44/EC on harmonised river information services (RIS) on inland waterways in the Community	River information services (RIS) make use of information and communication technology (ICT) to support safety, efficiency and environmental friendliness of inland waterway transport. The RIS Directive provides a framework for minimum requirements and technical specifications for the provision and implementation of RIS to assure harmonisation, interoperability and cross-border compatibility of Member States' RIS systems for waterways of class IV or above. The evaluation looks at the Directive's implementation and at the sector's recent organisational and technological developments, particularly of digital technologies. It also assesses potential areas for simplification in the process through which updates to the technical specifications under the Directive are being conceived.	
A Eur	A Europe fit for the Digital Age		
19.	Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the Application of Regulation (EU) 910/2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market (eIDAS Regulation)	The Commission shall report on the application of Regulation (EU) 910/2014 to the European Parliament and the Council by 1 July 2020, as required by Article 49 of the Regulation. The report will assess to what extent the eIDAS framework remains fit for purpose delivering the intended outcomes, results and impacts and may identify possible further actions to improve regulatory performance. The Commission will conduct an evaluation in line with the Better Regulation guidelines, also involving a public and a targeted stakeholder consultation.	

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
20.	Review of the Broadband Cost Reduction Directive (Directive 2014/61/EU)	The review aims to reduce unnecessary and costly administrative burden, which can significantly deter and delay network deployment. It aims to improve further the current measure by simplifying permits and procedures or by making the engineering works more agile by improving coordination with other infrastructures (roads, energy, etc.). This can represent an important opportunity for new legislation to reduce overall administrative burdens in the sector.
21.	Review of the Regulation on the internal market and cross-border e-commerce (Geo-Blocking)	The Commission shall report on the evaluation of this Regulation to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee by 23 March 2020, as required by Article 9 of the Regulation (EU) 302/2018. The Commission shall take into account the overall impact of the Regulation on the internal market and cross-border e-commerce, including, in particular, the potential additional administrative and financial burden for traders stemming from the existence of different applicable regulatory consumer contract law regimes.
22.	Revision for the Recommendation on the digitisation and online accessibility of cultural material and digital preservation (2011/711/EU)	The on-going evaluation assesses one of the main policy instruments on digitisation, online access and digital preservation of cultural heritage material with the objective to gather stakeholders views on a possible update to better reflect today's public needs in this area, and increase the potential of Europe's cultural heritage for the benefit of citizens. The revision will look at these aspects in line with current technology trends and the needs of the sector.
23.	Fitness check of 2012 State aid modernisation package, railways guidelines and short term export credit insurance	Due to the State aid modernisation, today, 96% of new implemented aid measures are in the hands of national authorities. This allows more rapid implementation by the Member States and the focus of State aid control being more "big on big things and small on small things". The ongoing fitness check seeks, among others, to assess to what extent the current regime has contributed to achieving a reduction of the administrative burden and whether there is a further potential for streamlining and simplifying State aid rules.
24.	Evaluation of the Vertical Block Exemption Regulation	The ongoing evaluation of the Vertical Block Exemption Regulation and Guidelines on Vertical Restraints seeks notably to assess to what extent the current regime has achieved its objective of providing a safe harbour for vertical agreements that are on balance efficiency enhancing, thus creating legal certainty and reduced compliance costs for stakeholders. This includes identifying areas in which the current regime may not properly reflect new market developments as well as possible gaps, which may have resulted in legal uncertainty, inconsistencies in the enforcement of the vertical rules in different EU Member States and therefore increased compliance costs for stakeholders.
25.	Evaluation of procedural and jurisdictional aspects of EU merger control	The ongoing evaluation focuses on simplification and cutting red tape where appropriate, streamlining of the referral system and other improvements of a technical nature. Moreover, in light of the recent debate on the effectiveness of the purely turnover-based jurisdictional thresholds of the EU Merger Regulation, the evaluation also seeks to assess whether these allow capturing all transactions, which can potentially have an impact in the internal market.
26.	Targeted modification of the General Block Exemption Regulation in relation to the EU funding programmes	The Commission aims at modifying the General Block Exemption Regulation in a targeted manner to accompany the next Multiannual Financial Framework. The proposal will ensure that national funding, from Member States' funds or from ESI Funds managed at national level, and centrally-managed EU funds can be combined seamlessly in the following areas: in financial products supported by the InvestEU Fund; RDI projects with a Seal of Excellence under H2020 or Horizon Europe, as well as co-funded projects and teaming actions under H2020 or Horizon Europe; and European Territorial Cooperation projects. (Q3 2020)

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
27.	Consortia Block Exemption Regulation (exemption from Article 101 TFEU for certain types of cooperation agreements among container shipping operators)	The extension of the current Consortia Block Exemption Regulation for another four years will continue to simplify the analysis of consortia's compliance with competition rules, limit the dependency on external advice and reduce legal costs. (Q2 2020)
28.	Evaluation of the Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU	The low voltage directive (LVD) ensures that electrical equipment within certain voltage limits provides a high level of protection for European citizens, and benefits fully from the single market. It has been applicable since 20 April 2016. The purpose of this evaluation is to assess if the Directive is fit for purpose in terms of effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, EU added-value. On the basis of the conclusions on the performance of the Directive, the Commission will assess which next steps may be necessary to improve the performance of the Directive.
29.	Evaluation of the Postal Services Directive 97/67/EC	The postal sector is going through substantial changes due to digitalisation. The Postal Services Directive (97/67/EC) dates from 1997 and was revised in 2002 and 2008. The report on the application of the Directive will be accompanied by an evaluation to assess if the Directive is still fit for purpose and future-proof.
30.	Evaluation of the 'SME Definition'	The scope of this initiative is the Commission Recommendation concerning the definition of micro, small and medium- sized enterprises (2003/361/EC). It sets out the criteria to determine whether an enterprise is an SME (i.e. staff head- count, turnover/ balance sheet total and independence) and has been applied since 01/01/2005 when it replaced Recommendation 96/280/EC. As the Recommendation is referenced in over 100 EU legal acts covering a wide range of EU policies such as State Aid, a replacement will also have to address those references.
31.	Revision of the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC	The initiative aims to: i) address the risks stemming from new technologies while allowing for technical progress,, ii) simplify the requirements for documentation by allowing digital formats, hence to reduce administrative burden for economic operators, with an additional positive impact on environmental costs, iii) to improve the legal clarity of some major concepts and definitions in the current text of the Directive, iv) to ensure coherence with other Directives and Regulations for products and improve enforcement of the legislation through the alignement to the New Legislative Framework, v) reduce costs of transposition by converting the Directive into a Regulation. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)
32.	Evaluation of EU legislation on design protection	The purpose of the evaluation is to analyse to what extent the current EU legislation on design protection has achieved its objectives in terms of efficiency, effectiveness, relevance, coherence and EU added-value, and it shall provide clear indications of the degree to which that legislation is still considered to be fit for purpose. The evaluation shall identify opportunities for streamlining registration procedures with a view to facilitating the simple uptake of design protection in the EU with potential reduction of costs and administrative burdens to the benefit of businesses, designers and SMEs.
33.	Evaluation of the Driving Licence Directive 2006/126/EC	The ex-post evaluation will assess how well the Directive has performed in improving road safety, facilitating free movement and reducing the possibility of fraud. It will also examine technical progress e.g. as regards vehicles and digitalisation (digital licences).

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
An Ec	onomy that Works for People	
34.	Uniform rounding rules (Follow up of Report on recent developments as regards euro coins COM(2018) 787 final/2 )	Evaluation of the use of one- and two-euro cent coins and of the possibility to introduce common rounding rules. A possible proposal would introduce common rounding rules to address the challenges related to the use of one- and two- euro cent coins (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 133 TFEU, Q4 2020)
35.	Fitness Check on Public Corporate Reporting by companies	The aim of this fitness check is to assess whether EU legislation on regular and public reporting by companies continues to meet the stakeholders' need for information on companies' activities, performances, risks, and impacts.
36.	Evaluation of legislation on trade in drug precursors	Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 and Regulation (EC) No 111/2005 on drug precursors will be evaluated in the light of their objective, which is to set up a monitoring and control system of the trade in drug precursors to prevent their diversion from the legal supply chain into the illicit drug production. In addition to those two Regulations, the evaluation will cover their associated acts, Delegated Regulation 2015/1011 and Implementing Regulation 2015/1013.
37.	Evaluation of Regulation on mutual assistance in customs matters 515/97	Regulation 515/97 ensures the correct application of the EU customs legislation. Since the 2015 revision of Regulation 515/97, new developments (such as new data protection regime, new fraud risks) have been recorded. The evaluation will assess the overall functioning of Regulation 515/97 by also making use of a targeted consultation.
A Stro	onger Europe in the World	
38.	Evaluation of the trade pillar of six EU's Association Agreements with EUROMED countries (Tunisia, Morocco, Egypt, Jordan, Algeria and Lebanon)	This evaluation might identify opportunities for streamlining procedures with potential reduction of costs and administrative burden and simplification of processes. Furthermore, these potential benefits might be used in any future re-negotiation of this agreement or in the negotiation of agreements with other countries.
39.	Evaluation of the implementation of the EU- CARIFORUM Economic Partnership Agreement	This evaluation might identify opportunities for streamlining procedures with potential reduction of costs and administrative burden and simplification of processes. Furthermore, these potential benefits might be used in any future re-negotiation of this agreement or in the negotiation of agreements with other countries.
40.	Torture Free Trade	Review Regulation (EU) 2019/125 ('Anti-torture Regulation') concerning trade in certain goods, which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Under Article 32 of the 'Anti-torture Regulation', the Commission shall review its implementation by 31 July 2020, and every five years thereafter. On the basis of a review report to be adopted by July 2020, the Commission will decide whether any amendments to the Regulation should be proposed. Without prejudice to the outcome of the review and while ensuring that relevant goods remain subject to effective restrictions, potential areas of simplification on for instance reporting requirements or exchanging information could be considered.

No.	Title	Simplification objective / potential (short explanation of the REFIT objective of the revisions, and simplification potential for evaluations and fitness checks)
Promo	oting our European Way of Life	
41.	Evaluation of Paediatric Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 and of Orphan Medicinal Products Regulation (EC) No 141/2000	This evaluation will provide meaningful input to the future EU pharmaceutical strategy. Based on the available evidence, the evaluation assesses the strengths and weaknesses of the Orphan and Paediatric Regulations both separately and combined. The evaluation focuses, <i>inter alia</i> , on products catering for unmet medical needs and on how the incentives provided in current legislation have been used.
A New	v Push for European Democracy	
42.	Commission Proposal to review Directive 2008/48/EC on credit agreement for consumers	The ongoing evaluation of the directive will focus on the progress made, its costs and benefits. It will also focus on whether original objectives and tools of the Directive correspond to current needs, on monitoring how the Directive works together with other pieces of legislation and whether the EU intervention has delivered a benefit. Based on the outcome of the evaluation, the review will ensure better consumer information and understanding of consumer credits, taking into account the digitalisation in the provision of such products. It will aim at providing better protection for consumers from irresponsible lending practices, particularly those spread online. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)
43.	Commission Proposal to review Directive 2002/65/EC on the distance marketing of consumer financial services	The ongoing evaluation will assess whether the original objectives have been achieved, how the Directive is functioning from a cost/benefit, burden reduction and simplification perspectives, and how the Directive works together with other legislation in the field of retail financial services, consumer protection and data protection. The analysis will assess whether the tools of the Directive correspond to the original and current needs and its EU added-value. Based on the outcome of the evaluation, the review will ensure better understanding of retail financial products taking into account the digitalisation in the provision of such products. It will aim at providing better protection for consumers from irresponsible lending practices, particularly those spread online. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)
44.	Revision of the General Product Safety Directive 2001/95/EC (Regulation; legal basis Article 114 TFEU)	The initiative will tackle the safety issues of products brought about by new technologies; address the need for more concrete actions on online selling; update the general legal framework on product safety; and in the light of the new Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 on market surveillance and compliance of products, fill the existing gap between harmonised and non-harmonised products as far as market surveillance is concerned. The revision would also improve the effectiveness of product recalls and the coverage of new product safety risks. It should strengthen the enforcement powers of Member States in particular in relation to import controls. (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2020)

# **Annex III: Priority pending proposals**<sup>3</sup>

No.	Full Title	References
A Eur	opean Green Deal	
1.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2015/757 in order to take appropriate account of the global data collection system for ship fuel oil consumption data	COM(2019)38 final 2019/0017 (COD) 04.02.2019
2.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1005/2008, and Regulation (EU) No 2016/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards fisheries control	COM(2018)368 final 2018/0193 (COD) 30.05.2018
3.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on streamlining measures for advancing the realisation of the trans-European transport network	COM(2018)277 final 2018/0138 (COD) 17.05.2018
4.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructures	COM(2017)275 final 2017/0114 (COD) 31.5.2017
5.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EC) No 866/2004 on a regime under Article 2 of Protocol 10 to the Act of Accession as regards goods covered by quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs	COM(2015)380 final 2015/0165 (NLE) 28.07.2015
6.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the use of genetically modified food and feed on their territory	COM(2015)177 final 2015/0093 (COD) 22.04.2015
7.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the InvestEU Programme	COM(2018)439 final 2018/0229 (COD) 08.06.2018
8.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing the nuclear decommissioning assistance programme of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania (Ignalina programme); and repealing Council Regulation (EU) No 1369/2013	COM(2018)466 final 2018/0251 (NLE) 13.06.2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF) proposals are highlighted in grey

No.	Full Title	References	
9.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing a dedicated financial programme for decommissioning of nuclear facilities and management of radioactive waste, and repealing Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1368/2013	COM(2018)467 final 2018/0252 (NLE) 13.06.2018	
10.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION amending Decision 2007/198/Euratom establishing the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and conferring advantages upon it	COM(2018)445 final 2018/0235 (NLE) 07.06.2018	
11.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013	COM(2018)385 final 2018/0209 (COD) 01.06.2018	
12.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council	COM(2018)390 final 2018/0210 (COD) 12.06.2018	
13.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013	COM(2018)393 final 2018/0217 (COD) 01.06.2018	
14.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, (EU) No 251/2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products, (EU) No 228/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union and (EU) No 229/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands	COM(2018)394 final 2018/0218 (COD) 23.04.2018	
15.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council	COM(2018)392 final 2018/0216 (COD) 01.06.2018	
16.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down certain transitional provisions for the support by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) in the year 2021 and amending Regulations (EU) No 228/2013, (EU) No 229/2013 and (EU) No 1308/2013 as regards resources and their distribution in respect of the year 2021 and amending Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 as regards their resources and application in the year 2021	COM(2019)581 final 2019/0254 (COD) 31.10.2019	
A Eur	A Europe fit for the Digital Age		
17.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on rail passengers' rights and obligations (recast)	COM(2017)548 final 2017/0237 (COD) 27.09.2017	

No.	Full Title	References
18.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 261/2004 establishing common rules on compensation and assistance to passengers in the event of denied boarding and of cancellation or long delay of flights and Regulation (EC) No 2027/97 on air carrier liability in respect of the carriage of passengers and their baggage by air	COM(2013)130 final 2013/0072 (COD) 13.03.2013
19.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the implementation of the Single European Sky (recast)	COM(2013)410 final 2013/0186 (COD) 11.06.2013
20.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on common rules for the allocation of slots at European Union airports	COM(2011)827 final 2011/0391 (COD) 01.12.2011
21.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2006/1/EC on the use of vehicles hired without drivers for the carriage of goods by road	COM(2017)282 final 2017/0113 (COD) 31.05.2017
22.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 1073/2009 on common rules for access to the international market for coach and bus services	COM(2017)647 final 2017/0288 (COD) 08.11.2017
23.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL discontinuing seasonal changes of time and repealing Directive 2000/84/EC	COM(2018)639 final 2018/0332 (COD) 12.09.2018
24.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 on type approval of motor vehicles with respect to emissions from light passenger and commercial vehicles (Euro 5 and Euro 6) and on access to vehicle repair and maintenance information	COM(2019)208 final 2019/0101 (COD) 14.06.2019
25.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL concerning the respect for private life and the protection of personal data in electronic communications and repealing Directive 2002/58/EC (Regulation on Privacy and Electronic Communications)	COM(2017)10 final 2017/0003 (COD) 10.1.2017
26.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre and the Network of National Coordination Centres A contribution from the European Commission to the Leaders' meeting in Salzburg on 19-20 September 2018	COM(2018)630 final 2018/0328 (COD) 12.09.2019
27.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the legal and operational framework of the European services e-card introduced by Regulation[ESC Regulation]	COM(2016)823 final 2016/0402 (COD) 10.01.2017
28.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL introducing a European services e-card and related administrative facilities	COM(2016)824 final 2016/0403 (COD) 10.01.2017

No.	Full Title	References
29.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Connecting Europe Facility and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014	COM(2018)438 final 2018/0228 (COD) 07.06.2018
30.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Programme for single market, competitiveness of enterprises, including small and medium-sized enterprises, and European statistics and repealing Regulations (EU) No 99/2013, (EU) No 1287/2013, (EU) No 254/2014, (EU) No 258/2014, (EU) No 652/2014 and (EU) 2017/826	COM(2018)441 final 2018/0231 (COD) 07.06.2018
31.	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation	COM(2018)436 final 2018/0225 (COD) 07.06.2018
32.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination	COM(2018)435 final 2018/0224 (COD) 07.06.2018
33.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community for the period 2021-2025 complementing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation	COM(2018)437 final 2018/0226 (NLE) 07.06.2018
34.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Digital Europe programme for the period 2021-2027	COM(2018)434 final 2018/0227 (COD) 08.06.2018
35.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the European Defence Fund	COM(2018)476 final 2018/0254 (COD) 13.06.2018
36.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the space programme of the Union and the European Union Agency for the Space Programme and repealing Regulations (EU) No 912/2010, (EU) No 1285/2013, (EU) No 377/2014 and Decision 541/2014/EU	COM(2018)447 final 2018/0236 (COD) 08.06.2018
An Ec	onomy that Works for People	
37.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE laying down provisions for strengthening fiscal responsibility and the medium-term budgetary orientation in the Member States	COM(2017)824 final 2017/0335 (CNS) 6.12.2017
38.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 806/2014 in order to establish a European Deposit Insurance Scheme	COM(2015)586 final 2015/0270 (COD) 24.11.2015

No.	Full Title	References
39.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on sovereign bond-backed securities	COM(2018)339 final 2018/0171 (COD) 24.05.2018
40.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on credit servicers, credit purchasers and the recovery of collateral	COM(2018)135 final 2018/0063 (COD) 14.03.2018
41.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2013/34/EU as regards disclosure of income tax information by certain undertakings and branches	COM(2016)198 final 2016/0107 (COD) 13.04.2016
42.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a framework for the recovery and resolution of central counterparties and amending Regulations (EU) No 1095/2010, (EU) No 648/2012, and (EU) 2015/2365	COM(2016)856 final 2016/0365 (COD) 28.11.2016
43.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION laying down measures in view of progressively establishing unified representation of the euro area in the International Monetary Fund	COM(2015)603 final 2015/0250 (NLE) 21.10.2015
44.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a governance framework for the budgetary instrument for convergence and competitiveness for the euro area	COM(2019)354 final 2019/0161 (COD) 24.07.2019
45.	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 regulation (EC) No 987/2009 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004(Text with relevance for the EEA and Switzerland)	COM(2016)815 final 2016/0397 (COD) 14.12.2016
46.	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Decision No 573/2014/EU on enhanced cooperation between Public Employment Services (PES)	COM(2019)620 final 2019/0188 (COD) 11.09.2019
47.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION on the establishment of the European Monetary Fund	COM(2017)827 final 2017/0333 (APP) 07.12.2017
48.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing a facility for providing financial assistance for Member States whose currency is not the euro	COM(2012)336 final 2012/0164 (APP) 22.06.2012
49.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE on a Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base (CCCTB)	COM(2016)683 final 2016/0336 (CNS) 26.10.2016

No.	Full Title	References
50.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE on a Common Corporate Tax Base	COM(2016)685 final 2016/0337 (CNS) 26.10.2016
51.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE implementing enhanced cooperation in the area of financial transaction tax	COM(2013)71 final 2013/0045 (CNS) 14.02.2013
52.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 92/83/EEC on the harmonization of the structures of excise duties on alcohol and alcoholic beverages	COM(2018)334 final 2018/0173 (CNS) 25.05.2018
53.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards the introduction of the detailed technical measures for the operation of the definitive VAT system for the taxation of trade between Member States	COM(2018)329 final 2018/0164 (CNS) 25.05.2018
54.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards rates of value added tax	COM(2018)20 final 2018/0005 (CNS) 18.01.2018
55.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructures, as regards certain provisions on vehicle taxation	COM(2017)276 final 2017/0115 (CNS) 31.05.2017
56.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the establishment of the Reform Support Programme	COM(2018)391 final 2018/0213 (COD) 31.05.2018
57.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the establishment of a European Investment Stabilisation Function	COM(2018)387 final 2018/0212 (COD) 31.05.2018
58.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2009/103/EC of the European Parliament and the Council of 16 September 2009 relating to insurance against civil liability in respect of the use of motor vehicles, and the enforcement of the obligation to ensure against such liability	COM(2018)336 final 2018/0168 (COD) 24.05.2018
59.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027	COM(2018)322 final 2018/0132 (APP) 2.5.2018
60.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION laying down implementing measures for the system of Own Resources of the European Union	COM(2018)327 final 2018/0132 (APP) 02.05.2018

No.	Full Title	References
61.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1553/89 on the definitive uniform arrangements for the collection of own resources accruing from value added tax	COM(2018)328 final 2018/0133 (NLE) 03.05.2018
62.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION on the methods and procedure for making available the Own Resources based on the Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base, on the European Union Emissions Trading System and on Plastic packaging waste that is not recycled, and on the measures to meet cash requirements	COM(2018)326 final 2018/0131 (NLE) 03.05.2018
63.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the system of Own Resources of the European Union	COM(2018)325 final 2018/0135 (CNS) 03.05.2018
64.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing an exchange, assistance and training programme for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting for the period 2021-2027 (the 'Pericles IV programme')	COM(2018)369 final 2018/0194 (COD) 31.05.2018
65.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION extending to the non-participating Member States the application of Regulation (EU) No/2018 establishing an exchange, assistance and training programme for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting for the period 2021-2027 (the 'Pericles IV' programme)	COM(2018)371 final 2018/0219 (APP) 31.05.2018
66.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+)	COM(2018)382 final 2018/0206 (COD) 30.05.2018
67.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)	COM(2018)380 final 2018/0202 (COD) 30.05.2018
68.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the 'Customs' programme for cooperation in the field of customs	COM(2018)442 final 2018/0232 (COD) 08.06.2018
69.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the 'Fiscalis' programme for cooperation in the field of taxation	COM(2018)443 final 2018/0233 (COD) 08.06.2018
70.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, the instrument for financial support for customs control equipment	COM(2018)474 final 2018/0258 (COD) 13.06.2018
71.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum and Migration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Border Management and Visa Instrument	COM(2018)375 final 2018/0196 (COD) 29.05.2018

No.	Full Title	References
72.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund	COM(2018)372 final 2018/0197 (COD) 29.05.2018
73.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a mechanism to resolve legal and administrative obstacles in a cross-border context	COM(2018)373 final 2018/0198 (COD) 29.05.2018
74.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on specific provisions for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) supported by the European Regional Development Fund and external financing instruments	COM(2018)374 final 2018/0199 (COD) 29.05.2018
75.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards the adjustment of annual pre-financing for the years 2021 to 2023	COM(2018)614 final 2018/0322 (COD) 07.09.2018
A Stro	onger Europe in the World	
76.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL setting up a Union regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering, technical assistance and transit of dual-use items (recast)	COM(2016)616 final 2016/0295 (COD) 28.09.2016
77.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the access of third-country goods and services to the Union's internal market in public procurement and procedures supporting negotiations on access of Union goods and services to the public procurement markets of third countries	COM(2012)124 final 2012/0060 (COD) 21.03.2012
78.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 654/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the exercise of the Union's rights for the application and enforcement of international trade rules	COM(2019)623 final 2019/0273 (COD) 12.12.2019
79.	Proposal of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, with the support of the Commission, to the Council for a Council Decision establishing a European Peace Facility	9736/18 13.06.2018
80.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III)	COM(2018)465 final 2018/0247 (COD) 14.06.2018
81.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument	COM(2018)460 final 2018/0243 (COD) 14.06.2018

No.	Full Title	References
82.	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union including relations between the European Union on the one hand, and Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other ('Overseas Association Decision')	COM(2018)461 final 2018/0244 (CNS) 14.06.2018
83.	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing a European Instrument for Nuclear Safety complementing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument on the basis of the Euratom Treaty	COM(2018)462 final 2018/0245 (NLE) 14.06.2018
	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism	COM(2019)125 final 2019/0070 (COD) 07.03.2019
Promo	ting our European Way of Life	
85.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) as regards cooperation with the European Public Prosecutor's Office and the effectiveness of OLAF investigations	COM(2018)338 final 2018/0170 (COD) 24.05.2018
86.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 as regards the establishment of a Controller of procedural guarantees	COM(2014)340 final 2014/0173 (COD) 11.06.2014
87.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on health technology assessment and amending Directive 2011/24/EU	COM(2018)51 final 2018/0018 (COD) 01.02.2018
88.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals (recast) A contribution from the European Commission to the Leaders' meeting in Salzburg on 19-20 September 2018	COM(2018)634 final 2018/0329 (COD) 12.09.2018
89.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on preventing the dissemination of terrorist content online A contribution from the European Commission to the Leaders' meeting in Salzburg on 19-20 September 2018	COM(2018)640 final 2018/0331 (COD) 12.09.2018
90.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 767/2008, Regulation(EC) No 810/2009, Regulation (EU) 2017/2226, Regulation (EU) 2016/399, Regulation XX/2018 [Interoperability Regulation], and Decision 2004/512/EC and repealing Council Decision 2008/633/JHA	COM(2018)302 final 2018/0152 (COD) 17.05.2018
91.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the conditions for accessing other EU information systems for ETIAS purposes and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1240, Regulation (EC) No 767/2008, Regulation (EU)2017/2226 and Regulation (EU) 2018/1861	COM(2019)4 final 2019/0002 (COD) 07.01.2019

No.	Full Title	References
92.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (Turkey)	COM(2016)279 final 2016/0141 (COD) 04.05.2016
93.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (Kosovo*)	COM(2016)277 final 2016/0139 (COD) 04.05.2016
94.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2016/399 as regards the rules applicable to the temporary reintroduction of border control at internal borders	COM(2017)571 final 2017/0245 (COD) 28.09.2017
95.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Union Agency for Asylum and repealing Regulation (EU) No 439/2010	COM(2016)271 final 2016/0131 (COD) 04.05.2016
		COM(2018)633 final 12.09.2018
96.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the establishment of 'Eurodac' for the comparison of fingerprints for the effective application of [Regulation (EU) No 604/2013 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person], for identifying an illegally staying third-country national or stateless person and on requests for the comparison with Eurodac data by Member States' law enforcement authorities and Europol for law enforcement purposes (recast)	COM(2016)272 final 2016/0132 (COD) 04.05.2016
97.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person (recast)	COM(2016)270 final 2016/0133 (COD) 04.05.2016
98.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection (recast)	COM(2016)465 final 2016/0222 (COD) 13.07.2016
99.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted and amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents	COM(2016)466 final 2016/0223 (COD) 13.07.2016
100.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a common procedure for international protection in the Union and repealing Directive 2013/32/EU	COM(2016)467 final 2016/0224 (COD) 13.07.2016

No.	Full Title	References
101.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a Union Resettlement Framework and amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council	COM(2016)468 final 2016/0225 (COD) 13.07.2016
102.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the conditions of entry and residence of third- country nationals for the purposes of highly skilled employment	COM(2016)378 final 2016/0176 (COD) 07.06.2016
103.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing 'Erasmus': the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013	COM(2018)367 final 2018/0191 (COD) 30.05.2018
104.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (recast)	COM(2019)331 final 2019/0151 (COD) 11.07.2019
105.	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) 2021-2027: Boosting the Innovation Talent and Capacity of Europe	COM(2019)330 final 2019/0152 (COD) 11.07.2019
106.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the EU Anti-Fraud Programme	COM(2018)386 final 2018/0211 (COD) 30.05.2018
107.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Internal Security Fund	COM(2018)472 final 2018/0250 (COD) 13.06.2018
108.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Asylum and Migration Fund	COM(2018)471 final 2018/0248 (COD) 13.06.2018
109.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, the instrument for financial support for border management and visa	COM(2018)473 final 2018/0249 (COD) 13.06.2018
110.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the European Solidarity Corps programme and repealing [European Solidarity Corps Regulation] and Regulation (EU) No 375/2014	COM(2018)440 final 2018/0230 (COD) 11.06.2018
111.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Creative Europe programme (2021to 2027) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1295/2013	COM(2018)366 final 2018/0190 (COD) 30.05.2018

No.	Full Title	References
A New	v Push for European Democracy	
112.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL adapting a number of legal acts in the area of Justice providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union	COM(2016)798 final 2016/0399 (COD) 14.12.2016
113.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on improving the gender balance among non- executive directors of companies listed on stock exchanges and related measures	COM(2012)614 final 2012/0299 (COD) 14.11.2012
114.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL adapting a number of legal acts providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny to Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union	COM(2016)799 final 2016/0400 B(COD) 14.12.2016
115.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on representative actions for the protection of the collective interests of consumers, and repealing Directive 2009/22/EC	COM(2018)184 final 2018/0089 (COD) 12.04.2018
116.	Proposal for a Council Directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation	COM(2008)426 final 2008/0140 (CNS) 02.07.2008
117.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers	COM(2017)85 final 2017/0035 (COD) 14.02.2017
118.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the conditions for accessing the other EU information systems and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 and Regulation (EU) yyyy/xxx [ECRIS-TCN]	COM(2019)3 final 2019/0001 (COD) 07.01.2019
119.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the law applicable to the third-party effects of assignments of claims	COM(2018)96 final 2018/0044 (COD) 12.03.2016
120.	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down harmonised rules on the appointment of legal representatives for the purpose of gathering evidence in criminal proceedings	COM(2018)226 final 2018/0107 (COD) 18.04.2018
121.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on European Production and Preservation Orders for electronic evidence in criminal matters	COM(2018)225 final 2018/0108 (COD) 18.04.2018

No.	Full Title	References
122.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 1393/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters (service of documents)	COM(2018)379 final 2018/0204 (COD) 31.05.2018
123.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1206/2001 of 28 May 2001 on cooperation between the courts of the Member States in the taking of evidence in civil or commercial matters 3	
124.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the protection of the Union's budget in case of generalised deficiencies as regards the rule of law in the Member States	COM(2018)324 final 2018/0136 (COD) 03.05.2018
125.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Rights and Values programme	
126.	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Justice programme	COM(2018)384 final 2018/0208 (COD) 30.05.2018

# Annex IV: Withdrawals<sup>4</sup>

No.	References	Title	Reasons for withdrawal		
A Eu	A European Green Deal				
1.	COM(2017)826 final 2017/0336 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 as regards support to structural reforms in Member States	Obsolete: the proposal relates to the budgetary period 2014-2020 and is now no longer needed.		
2.	COM(2017)97 final 2017/0043 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a multi-annual plan for small pelagic stocks in the Adriatic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks	No foreseeable agreement: the scope of the proposal has been partly taken over by international agreements and several amendments proposed distort the proposal in a manner which prevents achievement of the objectives pursued by the proposal.		
3.	COM(2014)265 final 2014/0138 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down a prohibition on driftnet fisheries, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 812/2004,(EC) No 2187/2005 and (EC) No 1967/2006 and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 894/97	Obsolete: several elements have been taken over by the new regulation on technical measures (Regulation (EU) 2019/1241 on the conservation of fisheries resources and the protection of marine ecosystems through technical measures). In addition, no progress has been made by co- legislators for several years.		
4.	COM(2012)332 final 2012/0162 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing	Obsolete: other proposals (such as e.g. the Commission proposal for a new fisheries control regulation (COM(2018)368) that are either adopted or under negotiation have in the meantime covered main elements of this proposal.		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This list includes pending legislative proposals, which the Commission intends to withdraw within six months (by July 2020)

No.	References	Title	Reasons for withdrawal
5.	COM(2012)413 final 2012/0201 (COD)		
6.	COM(2012)432 final 2012/0208 (COD)		
7.	2011/0206 (COD) COUNCIL establishing a multiannual plan for the Baltic salmon stock and the fisheries Sea has in the meantime been adopted (I (EU) 2016/1139 on a multiannual plan f		Obsolete: an overall multiannual plan for the Baltic Sea has in the meantime been adopted (Regulation (EU) 2016/1139 on a multiannual plan for the stocks of cod, herring and sprat in the Baltic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks).
8.	COM(2011)479 final 2011/0218 (COD)		
9.	COM(2013)892 final 2013/0433 (COD)	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the cloning of animals of the bovine, porcine, ovine, caprine and equine species kept and reproduced for farming purposes	No foreseeable agreement: no progress has been made by co-legislators since 2015 and further progress is unlikely.
10.			No foreseeable agreement: no progress has been made by co-legislators since 2015 and further progress is unlikely.
11.	COM(2017)648 final 2017/0290 (COD)	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 92/106/EEC on the establishment of common rules for certain types of combined transport of goods between Member States	No foreseeable agreement: several amendments proposed distort the proposal in a manner which prevents achievement of the objectives pursued by the proposal. Moreover, the necessity of increasing the share in total transport of sustainable transport modes under the European Green Deal requires stronger support for multimodal solutions and the current proposal is insufficient therefore.

No.	References	Title	Reasons for withdrawal
12.	COM(2013)20 final 2013/0011 (NLE)	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the submission, on behalf of the European Union, of applications for new entries in Annex VIII or IX to the Basel Convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal descent of the control of the contr	
13.	COM(2018)731 final 2018/0379 (NLE)	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union, in the thirty-eighth meeting of the Standing Committee of the Convention on the conservation of European wildlife and natural habitats, with regards to amendments to Appendices II and III	
14.	COM(2019)494 final 2019/0241 (NLE)	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the thirty-ninth meeting of the Standing Committee of the Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats, with regards to amendments to Appendices II and III to that Convention	
15.	COM(2009)585 final 26.10.2009	Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Community with regard to proposals for amending Annexes II and III to the Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Biological Diversity in the Mediterranean (SPA/BD Protocol) of the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean (Barcelona Convention) at the sixteenth meeting of the Contracting Parties	Obsolete: the proposal was not adopted ahead of the meeting for which it was intended.
A Eu	rope fit for the Digital A	ge	
16.			No foreseeable agreement: discussions have been suspended in the Council since March 2018.
17.	COM(2014)28 final 2014/0012 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 as regards the reduction of pollutant emissions from road vehicles	Obsolete: most of the content of the proposal is covered by other files already adopted in the meantime (e.g. provisions on repair and maintenance information adapted by Regulation 2018/858) or pending (pending file COM(2019)208). Some other aspects are expected to be covered more comprehensively in a new proposal for the EURO 7 emission standards.

No.	References     Title     Reasons		Reasons for withdrawal		
18.	2013/0048 (COD) COUNCIL on market surveillance of products and amending Council Directives 89/686/EEC surveillance and enforcement (Regu		Obsolete: the adoption of the regulation on market surveillance and enforcement (Regulation (EU) 2019/1020) made this proposal obsolete and redundant.		
An E	Conomy that works for I	People			
19.	COM(2013)342 final 2013/0181 (COD)				
20.	COM(2013)884 final 2013/0432 (COD)	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the Union legal framework for customs infringements and sanctions	No foreseeable agreement: it will be replaced by a new initiative aiming at reinforcing the enforcement of customs rules, in the context of the Action Plan on Customs Union referred to in annex 1 of this Commission Work Programme.		
A Sta	A Stronger Europe in the World				
21.	COM(2009)65-2 final 2009/0019 (APP)	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement on certain aspects of air services between the European Community and the Republic of Korea	Obsolete: this proposal has been superseded by a new Commission proposal for a Council Decision (COM(2019)92).		
22.			Obsolete: this proposal was not adopted ahead of the meeting for which it was intended.		

No.	References	Title	Reasons for withdrawal
23.	COM(2015)18 final 2015/0011 (NLE)		
24.	COM(2015)48 final 2015/0027 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL protecting against the effects of the extra-territorial application of legislation adopted by a third country and actions based thereon or resulting therefrom (recast) value of the commission work programme.	
25.	JOIN(2016)37 final 2016/0241 (NLE)	Joint Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and the Government of Malaysia	
26.	JOIN(2016)38 2016/0243 (NLE)	Joint Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and the Government of Malaysia	
27.	COM(2017)668 final 2017/0301(NLE)	inal Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization as regards public stockholding for food security purposes, trade-distorting domestic support, including for cotton, export restrictions in agriculture, fisheries subsidies, domestic regulation in services, and SMEs/Transparency of Regulatory Measures for Trade in Goods Obsolete: this proposal was overtaken by it was not necessary, as a consensus did n at the 11th WTO Ministerial Conference of envisaged Doha Development Agenda rel decisions.	
28.	JOIN(2018)20 final 2018/0269 (NLE)		
29.	COM(2019)56 final 2019/0028 (NLE)	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the 14th General Assembly of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards the election of the Secretary General of OTIF for the period from 8 April 2019 to 31 December 2021	Obsolete: this proposal was not adopted ahead of the meeting for which it was intended.

No.	References	Title	Reasons for withdrawal		
A ne	A new Push for European Democracy				
30.	COM(2011)635 final 2011/0284 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a Common European Sales Law	Obsolete: this proposal was replaced by two other proposals concerning contracts i) for the supply of digital content and ii) for the online and other distance sales of goods) that have been adopted in the meantime (Directive (EU) 2019/771 and Directive (EU) 2019/770).		
31.	COM(2008)229 final 2008/0090 (COD) COM(2011)137 final 2011/0073(COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents / Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents	No foreseeable agreement: no progress has been made by co-legislators on both proposals since 2011. The proposals have become in the meantime largely outdated.		
32.	COM(2013)78 final 2013/0049 (COD)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on consumer product safety and repealing Council Directive 87/357/EEC and Directive 2001/95/EC	No foreseeable agreement and obsolete: this proposal has been partly superseded by the 'goods package' which led to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 on market surveillance and compliance of products. The Commission will table a new proposal as announced in the REFIT Annex II.		

# Annex V: List of envisaged repeals

Nº	Policy area	Title	Reasons for repeal
1.	Transport	the Council of 4 June 1970 introducing an accounting system for expenditure on infrastructure in	Regulation (EEC) 1108/70 provides for the collection of infrastructure expenditure data for rail, road and inland waterways, as well as a collection of statistics about the use of the corresponding infrastructure. According to the Regulation, Member States have to regularly report infrastructure investment data to the Commission. After almost 50 years, only four Member States are still providing this information to the Commission. Meanwhile, definitions and text became outdated, while other data sources became available: some of horizontal nature such as International Transport Forum expenditure data and TEN-Tec, other of more sectorial nature such as the Rail Market Monitoring Survey.
2.	Taxation	Council Regulation 86/1797/EEC abolishing certain postal fees for customs presentation	This Regulation clarifies how the prohibition of customs duties and charges having equivalent effect applies for the postal sector for intra EU deliveries. While in substance this text is still valid, it is no longer necessary as the prohibition follows directly from the treaty.

