

Committee Topics

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Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE)

Citizens of nowhere: With an estimated 570,000 stateless persons living in Europe today, what role should the EU play in addressing statelessness and how should the EU assist Member States, as well as EU candidate and potential candidate countries and EU Neighbourhood countries, in safeguarding the fundamental rights of stateless persons and providing them with access to public services and opportunities.

Committee on Economic Affairs I (ECON I)

Financial regulation beyond Basel III: With Member States and European financial institutions raising concerns over suggestions that new banking regulation proposals could place an excessive burden on the competitiveness of EU banks, what should be the “Basel IV” advocated by the EU? How can the EU ensure a sound financial regulatory system while taking into account the complexity and the different needs of its financial institutions?

Committee on Economic Affairs II (ECON II)

The fast expansion of digital technologies has contributed to the boom of cryptocurrencies over the past year. Taking into account the involvement of virtual money in cyber attacks and illegal transactions, how and to what extent should the EU legislate currencies such as Bitcoin, Ethereum, and IOTA?

Committee on Foreign Affairs I (AFET I)

Eastern Partnership (EaP) beyond 2020: While the “20 Deliverables for 2020” lay out the short term aims of the EU and its Eastern partners, the current Russian occupation of Donbass, Crimea, Abkhazia and South Ossetia and the unresolved conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan over the Nagorno-Karabakh region pose a threat to regional stability. How should the long-term strategy with the six countries of the EaP be constructed to ensure peace and advancement?

Committee on Foreign Affairs II (AFET II)

Given the serious allegations of breaches of international humanitarian law by Saudi Arabia in Yemen leading to the European Parliament having voted for an embargo on arms sales to Saudi Arabia in February 2016, what further steps can the EU take to de-escalate the conflict in Yemen and take effective action in the ongoing humanitarian crisis?

Committee on Foreign Affairs III (AFET III)

With tensions rising internationally over North Korea's testing of a sixth nuclear device and increasing fears of the prospect of war breaking out on the Korean peninsula, what role can the EU play to de-escalate the situation and stabilise relations with North Korea?

Committee on Human Rights I (DROI I)

EU-Turkey relations: With the number of jailed journalists and dismissed public officials and academics sharply rising since the military coup attempt of 15 July 2016, how can the EU contribute to end these human rights violations and support the Turkish civil society?

Committee on Human Rights II (DROI II)

Safeguarding the rights of prisoners: What common guidelines should the EU introduce regarding detainees' rights and freedoms, detention facility conditions, and social reintegration? What steps can be taken to ensure these standards are respected and maintained?

Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM)

Empowering genders: Which strategy should the EU and the European countries pursue to ensure the reproductive rights of both women and men across Europe are upheld and protected, including freedom of choice, access to effective sexual education and reproductive health care?

Committee on Culture and Education (CULT)

With a high number of NEETs and the increasing spread of automation and digital technologies replacing many low-skilled and middle-skilled jobs, how can the EU Member States ensure their citizens are equipped with the necessary skills to remain relevant in an increasingly knowledge-based economy? How best can the European educational institutions provide long-life training and re-qualify the European workforce?

Committee on Security and Defence (SEDE)

Taking a stance: With armed drones being increasingly used in many conflict areas around the world, what should be the EU's stance towards the employment of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV)?

Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI)

Preventing climate change, preventing conflicts? With recent scientific evidence suggesting a link between rising temperatures and armed conflicts, in addition to the growing body of research connecting climate change to a variety of other negative externalities, what measures can the EU take to mitigate the effects of global warming?

Committee on Development (DEVE)

As the informal sector continues to expand in many developing countries, how can the EU alter its foreign policies and aid approach to discourage barriers to entry in the formal sector, and encourage growth?

Committee on Constitutional Affairs (AFCO)

Following the Brexit vote, the EU is facing major challenges both within and outside of its borders, leading to questions about the future of the Union. Taking into account the Commission's recently published "White paper on the future of Europe", what strategy should the EU and Member States pursue for the long-term stability and advancement of the Union?

Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI)

User-uploaded content and applicability of copyright to digital uses: With the current EU legislation failing to keep pace with the vast digital advancements, what action can be taken to ensure a balance between freedom of expression and protection of the intellectual property of online content?