

EUROPEAN YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Committee Topics

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AGRI – Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

With a series of farmers' protests occurring across many countries this year, mainly due to biodiversity legislation, how can Europe adopt a symbiotic approach to support agriculture and prevent biodiversity loss?

BUDG - Committee on Budgets

The rising costs of government borrowing and prolonged periods of inflation have stretched the EU's own resources to fund its spending to its limits. What new own-resources should the EU consider to both invest in Europe and respond to future crises?

CULT - Committee on Culture and Education

How can Europe breathe new life into the cultural and creative sectors (CCS) while providing greater opportunities to current and aspiring CCS workers?

ECON - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

With the proposed STEP regulation already set to be reviewed in 2025, should Europe consider establishing a fully funded Sovereignty Fund?

EMPL I - Committee on Employment and Social Affairs I

European pension systems are under considerable and growing pressure, with the old-age dependency ratio in the EU projected to double between 2023 and 2080. In addition to state programmes, the private sector also plays a significant in providing old-age pensions across Europe, with 60% of individuals in 2023 saving for retirement with a supplementary pension. What can be done, through government and private sector action, to ensure pension systems across Europe are both sustainable and deliver high living standards for future generations?

EMPL II - Committee on Employment and Social Affairs II

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities face reduced opportunities to access the highest quality of life as safety is often favoured over self-determination in many areas of public healthcare. How can countries safeguard the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ensure that all people can live a life of their choosing?

ENVI - Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

With the EU now making an effective commitment to reduce its GHG emissions by 90% before 2040, how should Europe ensure that the costs of the transition are spread fairly?

FEMM - Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

With women accounting for 76% of all care workers in the EU and the fact that many of these workers are living in poverty, how should Europe refocus its care economy to promote gender equality?

ITRE - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

With the EU taking retaliatory action in response to the US's Inflation Reduction Act, what opportunities are there for the US & Europe to cooperate in developing, scaling, and securing green energy and decarbonisation technologies?

JURI I - Committee on Legal Affairs I

CONTENT WARNING: This topic will mention non-consensual pornography and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. This topic can be upsetting to some people especially who have been impacted by these or similar incidents. We advise you to think critically if this would be upsetting to engage with deeply. Note that your wellbeing during the event matters more to us than where you can contribute the most, so let that lead you.

In recent years there has been a rise of deepfakes in various fields, ranging from nonconsensual pornography, to political propaganda and fake news. Now that these tools are becoming more accessible and readily available, how should Europe prepare for a world where deepfakes are increasingly pervasive in society?

JURI II - Committee on Legal Affairs II

With Germany recently ending its requirement for dual nationals to relinquish their original nationality & Spain ending its golden visa programme, should Europe align its rules on participating in local, national, and European elections?

LIBE - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

With numerous corruption and government spying scandals emerging across the EU, what more can be done in Europe to protect citizens' political freedoms and democracy?

REGI - Committee on Regional Development

With house prices increasing by nearly half since 2015, and constructions costs increasing by almost a third in the same time span, how can Europe ensure all citizens have access to safe and affordable housing for the future?

SEDE - Subcommittee on Security and Defence

With calls for EU countries to increase their defence spending as well as instances of countries misusing the European Peace Facility providing old military equipment to Ukraine. How can the EU ensure its defence strategy is capable of supporting its neighbours in times of war, whilst meeting its environmental, human rights, economic goals?

TRAN - Committee on Transport and Tourism

While some European harbours are among the most performing in the world, with 20% of goods coming to the EU by sea passing through three harbours, others continuously underperform. How can the EU and Members States support harbours to keep up with the innovation in the logistical chain, lowering the structural performance gap and enabling harbours to truly be the main gateways to the trans-European network?