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In accordance with Article 2(6) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, the Presidency attaches for information the indicative provisional agendas for Council meetings prepared by the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1) for the period up to 30 June 2005.

Luxembourg Presidency
Draft work programme for Council meetings
prepared by Coreper (Part 1)

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	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS			3-4.3.2005			2-3.6.2005
COMPETTIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH)			7.3.2005	18.4.2005		6-7.6.2005
TRANSPORT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY				21.4.2005		27-28.6.2005
AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES	24.1.2005	28.2.2005	14.3.2005	26.4.2005	30.5.2005	20-21.6.2005
ENVIRONMENT			10.3.2005			24.6.2005
EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE		21.2.2005			23-24.5.2005	

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EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
COUNCIL

3 and 4 MARCH 2005

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY

1. **Preparation for the Spring European Council**
"Key messages" based on (a) to (e) below:
Policy debate
Adoption
 - (a) **Commission synthesis report to the Spring European Council**
 - (b) **Commission communication: Social policy agenda 2006-2010**
 - (c) **European employment strategy**
Draft joint employment report 2004-2005
Adoption
 - (d) **Social protection**
First joint report by the Council and the Commission on social inclusion and social protection
Adoption
 - (e) **Commission communication: second report to the Spring European Council on equal opportunities**
2. **Preparation of the Tripartite Social Summit**
Information from the Presidency
3. **Employment Committee's work programme for 2005**
Information
4. **Social Protection Committee's work programme for 2005**
Information
5. **Social Protection Committee's study on private retirement pension schemes**
Presentation

6. **Social dimension of globalisation**
Council conclusions
 7. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 on the application of social security schemes to employed persons, to self-employed persons and to members of their families moving within the Community and Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 (Miscellaneous amendments 2004)**
General approach
 8. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/88/EC concerning certain aspects of the organisation of working time**
General approach
 9. **(poss.) Amended proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on working conditions for temporary workers**
Political agreement
 10. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Agreement by social partners on certain conditions for the use of mobile workers assigned to interoperable cross-border services concluded by the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) and the Community of European Railways (CER)**
Political agreement
 11. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2062/94 establishing a European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (Bilbao)**
Political agreement
 12. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1365/75 on the creation of a European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Dublin)**
Political agreement
 13. **(poss.) Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community programme for employment and social solidarity - PROGRESS**
General approach
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EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
COUNCIL

2 and 3 JUNE 2005

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY

1. **2005 Employment package**
 - (a) **Proposal for a Council Decision on guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States**
 - *Adoption*
 - (b) **Commission Recommendation for a Council Recommendation on the implementation of Member States' employment policies**
 - Political agreement*
2. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/88/EC concerning certain aspects of the organisation of working time**
 - Political agreement*
3. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community Programme for Employment and Social Solidarity - PROGRESS**
 - Political agreement*
4. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 on the application of social security, schemes to employed persons, to self-employed persons and to members of their families moving within the Community and Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 (Miscellaneous amendments 2004)**
 - Political agreement*
5. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing Annex XI to Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems**
 - (poss.) General approach*
6. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems**
 - (poss.) Progress report*

7. **(poss.) Commission communication on social services of general interest**
Endorsement of the Social Protection Committee's opinion
8. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the implementation of the principle of equal opportunities and equal treatment of men and women in matters of employment and occupation (recast version)**
Political agreement
9. **Proposal for a Decision establishing a European Gender Institute**
Political agreement
10. **Annual follow-up to the Beijing Platform**
Council conclusions
11. **Gender mainstreaming in the Structural Funds**
Presidency report

HEALTH

12. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on medicinal products for paediatric use**
Progress report/(poss.) Policy debate
13. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the fees payable to the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products**
Political agreement/Adoption
14. **(poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down authorisation, surveillance and vigilance procedures for products of human tissue engineering**
Presentation
15. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the reclassification of hip, knee and shoulder replacements under Directive 93/42/EC on medical devices**
Presentation
16. **Obesity and nutrition**
Policy debate/(poss.) Conclusions
17. **Health strategy**
Policy debate

18. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on nutrition and health claims made on foods**
Political agreement
 19. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to food**
Political agreement
 20. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 95/2/EC on food additives other than colours and sweeteners**
General approach/Political agreement
 21. **(poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives**
Presentation and exchange of views
 22. **(poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on food enzymes**
Presentation and exchange of views
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**COMPETITIVENESS (INTERNAL MARKET, INDUSTRY AND
RESEARCH) COUNCIL**

7 MARCH 2005

1. **Preparation for the Spring European Council**
Commission report to the European Council
Scoreboard
Competitiveness report 2004 (and other documents)
Contribution to the mid-term review of the Lisbon Strategy
 = *Policy debate*
 = *Adoption of the contribution*

2. **Better regulation - simplification of legislation**
Progress report /Policy debate

3. **(poss.) Stimulating entrepreneurship - Report from the Commission on the
implementation of the European Charter for small enterprises: European agenda for
entrepreneurship**
Presentation

4. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on
services in the internal market**
Progress report

5. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending
Directive 70/156/EEC on the comprehensive approval of motor vehicles (recasting)**
Political agreement

6. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council
concerning unfair business-to-consumer practices in the internal market and amending
Directives 84/450/EEC, 97/7/EC and 98/27/EC**
Adoption (at second reading)

7. Other business

REACH

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency and amending Directive 1999/45/EC and the Regulation on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 67/548/EEC [in order to adapt it](#) to the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals

Progress report from the Presidency

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

18 APRIL 2005

1. **(poss.) Follow-up to the European Council meeting in March 2005**

2. **(poss.) Proposal for the Seventh Framework Programme for research and technological development**
 Presentation/Exchange of views

3. **Communication from the Commission on the 3% target for RDT– implementation of the action plan**
 Exchange of views
 (poss.) Conclusions

4. **ITER**
 State of play

5. **Human resources : Women and science, researchers' careers and mobility**
 Exchange of views
 (poss.) Council conclusions

6. **Space policy - Communication from the Commission on the European Union's contribution to the European Space Programme**
 Exchange of views and (poss.) Council conclusions
 Preparation of the Space Council meeting (before opening of Space Council meeting)
 Adoption of guidelines on the components of the future European Space Programme (after closure of Space Council meeting)

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

6 and 7 JUNE 2005

1. Competitiveness and innovation

(a) Second Innovation Action Plan

Exchange of views

Council conclusions

(b) Proposal for a Framework Programme for Competitiveness and Innovation (CIP)

Progress report

2. REACH

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency and amending Directive 1999/45/EC and the Regulation on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 67/548/EEC [in order to adapt it](#) to the Regulation (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals

Progress report/Policy debate

3. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on services in the internal market

(poss.) General approach/Political agreement

4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on cross-border mergers of companies with share capital

Political agreement

5. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the formation of public limited liability companies and the maintenance and alteration of their capital

General approach

6. (poss.) Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning sales promotions in the internal market

Political agreement

7. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the recognition of professional qualifications**
Adoption (at second reading)
 8. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on compulsory licensing for pharmaceutical products for export to developing countries**
General approach
 9. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 98/71/EC on the legal protection of designs (automotive spare parts)**
General approach
 10. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to the use of frontal protection systems on motor vehicles and amending Council Directive 70/156/EE (bull bars)**
General approach/Political agreement
 11. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the ranges of nominal quantities permitted for pre-packed products**
(poss.) Political agreement
 12. **Proposal for the Seventh Framework Programme for research and technological development**
Policy debate
 13. **Action Plan for nanotechnology**
Exchange of views
(poss.) Conclusions
 14. **(poss.) ITER - Proposals for Council Decisions on an international agreement and the establishment of a European legal body**
Adoption
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TRANSPORT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY COUNCIL

21 APRIL 2005

LAND TRANSPORT

1. **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 (Eurovignette)**
Political agreement
2. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on international rail passengers' rights and obligations (third railway package)**
General approach
3. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on compensation in cases of non-compliance with contractual quality requirements for rail freight services (third railway package)**
General approach
4. **(poss.) Amended proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 82/714/EEC of 4 October 1982 laying down technical requirements for inland waterway vessels**
Political agreement

INTERMODAL QUESTIONS

5. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the second Marco Polo programme for the granting of Community financial assistance to improve the environmental performance of the freight transport system (Marco Polo II)**
(poss.) General approach

AVIATION

6. **External aviation relations**
 - (a) **(poss.) EU-US negotiations for an air transport agreement**
Information from the Commission
 - (b) **(poss.) Communication from the Commission on the development of the Community's external aviation policy**
Council Resolution
 - (c) **(poss.) New negotiating directives**
 7. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the rights of air passengers with reduced mobility**
General approach
 8. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on information provided to passengers on the air carrier's identity**
General approach
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TRANSPORT, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY COUNCIL

27 and 28 JUNE 2005

ENERGY

1. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on energy end-use efficiency and energy services**
Political agreement
2. **(poss.) Agreement between the European Community and the States of South East Europe with the view to establishing an integrated energy market organisation in South East Europe**
Signing Decision
3. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down guidelines for trans-European energy networks and repealing Decisions Nos 96/391/EC and 1229/2003/EC**
Political agreement/Adoption
4. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning measures to safeguard security of electricity supply and infrastructure investment**
Political agreement/Adoption
5. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a framework for the setting of Eco-design requirements for Energy-Using Products and amending Council Directive 92/42/EEC**
Adoption (at second reading)
6. **(poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on conditions for access to the gas transmission networks**
Adoption (at second reading)

TRANSPORT

MARITIME TRANSPORT

7. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on market access to port services**
General approach
8. **Maritime safety package (Erika III)**
Presentation and (poss.) policy debate
9. **(poss.) Recommendation for a Council Decision with a view to signing an Agreement on maritime transport between the Community and its Member States and the Republic of India**
Adoption

LAND TRANSPORT

10. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on public passenger transport by rail and road**
(poss.) Political agreement

AVIATION

11. **External aviation relations**
 - (a) **(poss.) EU-US negotiations for an air transport agreement**
Information from the Commission
 - (b) **(poss.) New negotiating directives.**
12. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the rights of air passengers with reduced mobility**
(poss.) Political agreement
13. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on information provided to passengers on the air carrier's identity**
(poss.) Political agreement
14. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 96/67/EC of 15 October 1996 on access to the groundhandling market at Community airports**
General approach
15. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Community air traffic controller licence**
Political agreement

TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

16. **Review of the scope of universal service in the telecommunications sector**
Presentation/(poss.) Exchange of views
 17. **eEurope Action Plan**
(poss.) Council conclusions
 18. **World Summit on the Information Society**
Council conclusions
 19. **(poss.) Postal services**
Commission presentation
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

24 JANUARY 2005¹

1. Presidency work programme

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

2. (poss.) Decision (Article 133) on the conclusion of GATT Article XXVIII negotiations on rice (United States, Thailand)

Adoption

3. (poss.) Balkans sugar :

(a) Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000 introducing exceptional trade measures for countries and territories participating in or linked to the European Union's Stabilisation and Association process, amending Regulation (EC) No 2820/98, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1763/1999 and (EC) No 6/2000

(b) Council Decision (Article 133) authorising the Commission to enter into negotiations with the Republic of Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, respectively, with a view to modifying the Stabilisation and Association Agreements between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part

Adoption

¹ The Presidency has scheduled an informal meeting with Ministers of the ACP and EBA sugar-producing countries on the afternoon of 24 January 2005 in the margins of the Council meeting.

AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

28 FEBRUARY 2005

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

1. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the quota system for potato starch (together with a report)**
Adoption
 2. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)**
Progress report
 3. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the financing of the common agricultural policy**
Progress report
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

14 MARCH 2005

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

1. **Proposal for a Council Regulation amending certain marketing standards for eggs**
Adoption
2. **Commission communication on risk management in agriculture**
Presentation

COREPER ITEMS

3. **(poss.) Animal health and animal welfare proposals:**
 - (a) **Avian influenza (recast of Council Directive 92/40/EEC)**
 - (b) **Aquatic diseases (recast of Council Directives 91/67/EEC, 93/53/EEC and 95/70/EC)**
 - (c) **Welfare of broilers (new Council Directive)**
Presentation/Exchange of views
4. **Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on implementing the European Union's Forestry Strategy**
Presentation and (poss.) Council conclusions
5. **Agreement between the EC and Russia on plant health**
Information from the Presidency and the Commission

FISHERIES

6. **Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a Community fisheries control agency and amending Regulation (EC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the common fisheries policy**
Adoption
 7. **Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the waters of the Baltic Sea, the Belts and the Sound**
Policy debate
 8. **Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea and amending Regulations (EC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 973/2001**
Policy debate
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

26 APRIL 2005

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

1. (poss.) Adjustment of the CMO in rice following the negotiations under GATT Article XXVIII
 - *Adoption*
2. Proposal for a Council Regulation on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
 - *Policy debate*
3. Proposal for a Council Regulation on the financing of the common agricultural policy
 - *Policy debate*

COREPER ITEMS

4. Fifth session of the United Nations Forum on Forestry (UNFF)
 - *Council conclusions*

FISHERIES

5. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on a European Fisheries Fund**
 - *Policy debate*
 6. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing short-term measures for the management of European eel (*Anguilla anguilla*)**
 - *Policy debate*
 7. **Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the financial perspective for actions not covered by the European Fisheries Fund**
 - *Presentation*
 8. **Prospects for simplifying the common fisheries policy - Action plan**
 - *Policy debate*
 9. **Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a rebuilding plan for Greenland halibut in the framework of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation**
 - *Adoption (possibly as an "A" item)*
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AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

30 MAY 2005

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

1. **Proposal for a Regulation of the Council and of the European Parliament on the definition, classification, presentation and labelling of spirits**
 - *Policy debate*
2. **(poss.) Proposals in the dairy sector:**
 - (a) **Standardisation of protein content of preserved milk**
 - (b) **Review of regulatory instruments in the dairy sector**
 - (c) **Amendment of Regulation (EC) No 2597/97 with regard to the fat content of drinking milk**
 - *Exchange of views*
3. **Proposal for reform of the CMO in sugar**
 - *Presentation*

COREPER ITEMS

4. **Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the establishment of a voluntary FLEGT licensing scheme for imports of timber into the European Community**
 - *Progress report and (poss.) policy debate*
 5. **European Community accession to the UPOV**
 - *Adoption as an "A" item*
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AGRUCULTURE AND FISHERIES COUNCIL

20 AND 21 JUNE 2005

AGRICULTURE

SCA ITEMS

1. **Proposal for reform of the CMO in sugar**
 - *Exchange of views*
2. **Technical amendments to the CMO in wine**
 - *Adoption*
3. **Technical amendments to the CMO in tobacco**
 - *Adoption*
4. **Amendment of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto in agricultural products and foodstuffs**
 - *Adoption*
5. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)**
 - *Adoption*
6. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on the financing of the common agricultural policy**
 - *Adoption*
7. **(poss.) Proposal for a Regulation amending the Regulation on information measures relating to the common agricultural policy**
 - *Adoption*

COREPER ITEMS

8. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 on certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (extension of transitional measures)**
 - *Political agreement*
9. **Avian influenza (recast of Council Directive 92/40/EEC)**
 - *Adoption*

10. **Aquatic diseases environment (recast of Council Directives 91/67/EEC, 93/53/EEC and 95/70/EC)**
 - *Adoption*
11. **Welfare of broilers (new Council Directive)**
 - *Adoption*
12. **Amendment of the Directive on potato cyst eelworm**
 - *Adoption as an "A" item*

FISHERIES

13. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on electronic recording and reporting of fishing activities and on means of remote sensing**
 - *Adoption*
14. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing measures for the recovery of the sole stocks in the Western Channel and the Bay of Biscay**
 - *Adoption*
15. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing measures for the recovery of the Southern hake and Norway lobster stocks in the Cantabrian Sea and Western Iberian peninsula and amending Regulation (EC) No 850/98**
 - *Adoption*
16. **Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning management measures for the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean Sea and amending Regulations (EC) No 2847/93 and (EC) No 973/2001**
 - *Adoption*
17. **Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the waters of the Baltic Sea, the Belts and the Sound**
 - *Adoption*
18. **Proposal for a Council Regulation on a European Fisheries Fund**
 - *Progress report*
19. **Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the future access to waters and resources beyond the 12-mile limit and sensitive biological areas (Shetland Box/Plaice Box)**
 - *Policy debate*

20. **(poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a Community system laying down rules for the minimum information to be contained in fishing licences**
 - *Adoption (possibly as an "A" item)*
 21. **(poss.) Communication on long-term management plans**
 - *Policy debate*
 22. **(poss.) Communication on the parameters of fishing-effort measures**
 - *Council conclusions (possibly as an "A" item)*
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ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

10 MARCH 2005

1. **Preparation for the Spring European Council**
 - (poss.) Progress report on the review of the sustainable development strategy
 - Exchange of views on examination of environmental policy
 - Contribution to the mid-term review of the Lisbon Strategy
 - = *Policy debate*
 - = *Adoption of the contribution*
2. **Climate change**
 - *(poss.) Council conclusions*
3. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of groundwater against pollution**
 - *Policy debate/General approach*
4. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an infrastructure for spatial information in the Community (INSPIRE)**
 - *Policy debate*
5. **Preparation for the thirteenth session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development (CDD 13)**
 - *Exchange of views*
6. **Preparation for the first Conference of Parties to the Stockholm Convention**
 - *(poss.) Adoption of negotiating directives*
7. **Preparation for the second meeting of Parties to the Aarhus Covention**
 - *Adoption of negotiating directives*
8. **Preparation for the second meeting of Parties to the Cartagena Protocol**
 - *(poss.) Adoption of negotiating directives*

9. Other business

- REACH

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency and amending Directive 1999/45/EC and the Regulation on Persistent Organic Pollutants

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 67/548/EEC in order to adapt it to the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals

- *Presidency progress report*

ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

24 JUNE 2005

1. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an infrastructure for spatial information in the Community (INSPIRE)**
 - *Political agreement*
2. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of groundwater against pollution**
 - *Political agreement*
3. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR)**
 - *Political agreement*
4. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Financial Instrument for the Environment (LIFE +)**
 - *General approach/Political agreement*
5. **(poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on access to justice in environmental matters (Aarhus)**
 - *General approach/Political agreement*
6. **REACH**

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- *Progress report/Policy debate*

EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE COUNCIL

21 FEBRUARY 2005

EDUCATION/YOUTH

1. **Contribution to the Lisbon mid-term review**
 - *Adoption of conclusions*

2. **(poss.) Youth policy**
 - *Contribution to the European Council*

EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CULTURE COUNCIL

23 AND 24 MAY 2005

EDUCATION

1. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an integrated action programme in the field of lifelong learning**
 - *(poss.) General approach*
2. **Proposal for a Recommendation of the Council and of the European Parliament on further European cooperation in quality assurance in higher education**
 - *General approach/ Political agreement*
3. **(poss.) Commission Communication on universities and the knowledge society**
 - *Presentation*
4. **(poss.) Proposal for a Recommendation on mobility in education and training**
 - *Commission presentation*
5. **(poss.) Comparison of European education systems with those of third countries**
 - *Adoption of conclusions*
6. **(poss.) Development of new indicators**
 - *Adoption of conclusions*

YOUTH

7. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council creating the "YOUTH IN ACTION" programme for the period 2007-2013**
 - *(poss.) General approach*
8. **Resolution on updating the open method of coordination**
 - *Adoption*
9. **Resolution on the participation of young people**
 - *Adoption*
10. **Resolution on informing young people**
 - *Adoption*
11. **Commission Communication on youth policy**
 - *(poss.) Policy debate*

CULTURE

12. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Culture 2007 programme (2007-2013)**
 - *(poss.) General approach*
13. **European Capital of Culture**
 - **Appointment of jury members**
 - *(poss.) Designation of the European Capital of Culture for 2009*
14. **Decision amending the procedure for designating European Capitals of Culture**
 - *Exchange of views/ (poss.) General approach*

AUDIOVISUAL MATTERS

15. **Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the implementation of a programme of support for the European audiovisual sector (MEDIA 2007)**
 - *(poss.) General approach*
 16. **(poss.) Proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on film heritage and the competitiveness of related industrial activities**
 - *Political agreement*
 17. **(poss.) Proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of minors and human dignity and the right of reply in relation to the competitiveness of the European audiovisual and information services industry**
 - *Political agreement*
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