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Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council¹, 19 and 20 June 2014

Place: Kirchberg Conference Centre, Luxembourg
Chairs: **Ioannis VROUTSIS**, Minister for Employment, Social Protection and Welfare of Greece
Makis VORIDIS, Minister for Health of Greece

The following items will be discussed at this meeting:

THURSDAY, 19 JUNE, 09.30 - EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY

Legislative deliberations - in public session²

- European platform to enhance cooperation in the prevention and deterrence of undeclared work
Progress report
- European network of employment services, workers' access to mobility services and the further integration of labour markets (EURES)
Progress report
- Equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation
Progress report
- Women on company boards
Progress report

Non-legislative activities - in public session²

- Council conclusions on "Women and the economy: Economic Independence from the perspective of part-time work and self-employment"
Adoption
- European Semester 2014: Contribution to the European Council (Brussels, 26-27 June 2014)
Policy debate
 - (a) Draft Council Recommendations on the national reform programmes 2014 to each member state, including macro-economic imbalance procedure
Approval
 - (b) Examination of the national reform programmes (2014) and the implementation of the 2013 country-specific recommendations (CSRs)
Endorsement of the opinion of the Employment Committee (EMCO)
 - (c) Assessment of the 2014 CSRs package on cross-cutting issues and the implementation of the 2013 CSRs
Endorsement of the key messages of the Social Protection Committee (SPC) report

¹ The 3323rd meeting of the Council of the European Union.

² The Council meets in public when deliberating or voting on legislative acts. The Council's first deliberation on important non-legislative acts relating to the adoption of legally binding rules is also open to the public. The Council regularly holds public debates on important issues affecting the interests of the Union and its citizens, as well as on the Council's and Commission's programmes.

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- (d) Scoreboard of employment and social indicators
Endorsement of the joint EMCO and SPC opinion
- (e) Employment performance monitor and benchmarks (prepared by EMCO)
Endorsement
- (f) Labour market report
Endorsement of the EMCO report
- (g) Implementation of the Youth guarantee
Endorsement of the EMCO report
- The social dimension of the EU/EMU
Exchange of views on the SPC reports on the
 - (a) Social dimension of the Europe 2020 strategy
 - (b) Ex-ante coordination of major social policy reforms
 - (c) Minimum income schemes in the Euro area
 - (d) Adequate social protection for long-term care needs in an ageing society
Endorsement of key messages

FRIDAY, 20 JUNE, 10.00 - HEALTH

Legislative deliberations - in public session²

- Medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices
Policy debate on the basis of a progress report concerning two draft regulations

Non-legislative activities - in public session²

- Economic crisis and healthcare
Adoption of draft Council conclusions
- Nutrition and physical activity
Adoption of draft Council conclusions

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On both days, the Council is expected to **adopt** a number of items **without discussion**.

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Press Conferences: Thursday, 19 June at +/- 17.30
Friday, 20 June at +/- 13.30

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In the margins of the Council: Friday, 20 April

12.30 Signing ceremony for the joint procurement agreement for pandemic vaccines and other medical countermeasures

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Public debates/Public deliberations²:

The list of items for public debate / deliberation will be available on the [Open Sessions](#) page of the Council website.

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