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EUROPEAN DEBATES AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE SEJM

7 June 2018 – the Sejm adopted [resolution on the future shape of the cohesion policy in the European Union \(verbatim record/PL point 52\)](#). The draft resolution was debated for the first time in plenary on 10 May 2018.

DOCUMENTS IN THE SEJM

In **June 2018** the **EU Affairs Committee (SUE)** held 10 meetings: no. 206-215. During these meetings the Committee:

- scrutinised 109 EU documents:
 - pursuant to Art. 7(4) of the Cooperation Act – 17 EU draft legislative acts concerning i.a., multiannual financial framework for 2021-2027 (COM(2018) 322), protection of the Union's budget in case of generalised deficiencies as regards the rule of law in the Member States (COM(2018) 324), System of own resources of the EU (COM(2018) 325),
 - pursuant to Art. 151(1) of the Sejm Standing Orders and Art. 3(2) of the Cooperation Act – 25 EC documents (12 communications, 11 reports, 2 annual reviews) concerning i.a., implementation of the European Agenda on Migration (COM(2018) 301), new EU youth strategy COM(2018) 269), the European pillar of social rights (COM(2018) 130),
 - pursuant to Art. 11(1) of the Cooperation Act – EU documents, which were to be discussed by Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council, Environment Council, Economic and Financial Affairs Council, Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council and Agriculture and Fisheries Council,
 - pursuant to Art. 8(2) of the Cooperation Act – 23 EU draft legal acts concerning i.a., Interinstitutional Agreement on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (COM(2018) 323), uniform arrangements for the collection of own resources accruing from value added tax (COM(2018) 328), comprehensive approach to the teaching and learning of languages (COM(2018) 272),
- held the first reading of Government bills: on the ratification of the Cooperation agreement for partnership and development between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, on the other, drawn up in Munich on 18.02.2017 (paper no. 2465) and on the ratification of the Partnership agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, on the other, drawn up in Brussels on 24.11.2017 (paper no. 2466) (mtg no. 207),
- scrutinized: information on the Foreign Affairs Council meeting held on 28 May 2018 and information on the European Council meeting planned for 28-19 June 2018 (presented by Secretary of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Konrad Szymański) (mtg no. 209),
- held the information on the state of play on the so-called mobility package in the European Parliament (presented by Minister of Infrastructure Andrzej Adamczyk and member of the European Parliament Kosma Złotowski) (mtg no. 211),

- held the information on the current state of negotiations regarding the reform of the Common European Asylum System (presented by Undersecretary of State in the Ministry of the Interior and Administration Renata Szczech) (mtg no. 212),
- examined and adopted positive opinion intended for the Public Finances Committee on the report on implementation of the state budget for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2017 together with the analysis of the Supreme Audit Office, in the scope of the SUE competence (mtg no. 214).

SUE together with Liaison with Poles Abroad Committee

heard the information on the current state of negotiations regarding the UK's withdrawal from the European Union and the British proposals on the rights of European Union citizens in the United Kingdom (presented by Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Jonathan Knott) (mtg no. 210).

SUE together with Public Finances Committee as well as Economy and Development Committee

took note of the information on the recommendations for Poland regarding the implementation of the European Semester in 2018 (presented by Undersecretary of State in the Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Technology Marcin Ociepa and Undersecretary of State in the Ministry of Finance Piotr Nowak) (mtg no. 213).

In **June 2018** information on and documents of SUE meetings no. 206, 208-209 and 214-215, provided by the EU Affairs Committee secretariat, were published in the [EDL-S](#) (European Legislative Documents in the Sejm) and [IPEX](#) databases.

WORK IN COMMITTEES

National and Ethnic Minorities Committee

- **06.06.2018**, considered the information presented by the deputy director of the Department of Religious Denominations and National and Ethnic Minorities in the Ministry of Interior and Administration, Teresa Karczmarek, on the implementation of the provisions of the European Charter for regional or minority languages (mtg no. 72).

Agriculture and Rural Development Committee

- **05.06.2018**, considered an analytical document prepared by the European Court of Auditors entitled 'The future of the Common Agricultural Policy'. The document was presented by the member of the European Court of Auditors - Janusz Wojciechowski (mtg no. 232).

IMPLEMENTATION OF EU LAW - UST DATABASE

In June 2018

- the following **acts** implementing EU law **have been published** [paper no.]:
 - Act of 7 June 2018 amending the act on renewable energy sources and some other acts [[2412](#)],
 - Act of 10 May 2018 amending the act on occupational pension schemes [[2391](#)].

SUBSIDIARITY CHECK IN NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS

Subsidiarity scrutiny in June 2018 (Information from IPEX database as of 06.07.2018)			
Draft legislative act	Deadline for subsidiarity scrutiny	Adoption / transmission of reasoned opinion	Chamber / parliament (country)
COM(2018) 173	15.06.2018	15.06.2018 / 15.06.2018	Riksdag (Sweden)

COM(2018) 184	17.05.2018	20.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
		27.06.2018 / 29.06.2018	Federal Council (Austria)
COM(2018) 185	17.05.2018	20.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
		27.06.2018 / 29.06.2018	Federal Council (Austria)
COM(2018) 218	26.07.2018	20.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
COM(2018) 274	19.07.2018	21.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
COM(2018) 325	02.07.2018	21.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
COM(2018) 327	02.07.2018	21.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)
COM(2018) 373	31.07.2018	21.06.2018 / -	Riksdag (Sweden)

In **June 2018**, 32 draft legislative acts were subject to subsidiarity scrutiny. As of 6 July 2018, the national parliaments submitted 10 reasoned opinions on the non-compliance of the scrutinised draft acts with the subsidiarity principle.

More information on reasoned opinions and proposals in – [Biuletyn OIDE on-line](#)

INTERPARLIAMENTARY COOPERATION

20 June 2018, Brussels, Interparliamentary Committee Meeting on “EU Investing in its Transport Networks beyond 2020”

- Opening and keynote speech
- Session I: Transport networks: state of play and future perspectives, debate
- Session II: Challenges and perspectives for the post-2020 period in the field of transport infrastructure investments, debate
- Closing remarks

17-19 June 2018, Sofia, LIX COSAC

- Meeting of the Presidential Troika
- Meetings of the political groups
- Opening of the meeting, opening address, introductory remarks
 - Adoption of the agenda for the Plenary Meeting of the LIX COSAC, procedural issues and miscellaneous matters
 - Briefing on the results of the COSAC Presidential Troika meeting
 - Presentation of the COSAC 29th Bi-Annual Report
 - Letters received by the Presidency - Others
- Session I - Achievements of the Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the EU, debate
- Session II - Integration and connectivity of the Western Balkans – a new impetus to EU enlargement policy, debate
- Session III - European Pillar of Social Rights - building a more inclusive and fairer Europe, debate
- COSAC Chairpersons' meeting. Debate on the draft Contribution and draft Conclusions of the LIX COSAC
- Session IV - A strong and effective Cohesion Policy post 2020, debate
- Session V - EU Interparliamentary cooperation in the context of the debate on subsidiarity and proportionality, debate
- Adoption of the Contribution and Conclusions of LIX COSAC
- Closing remarks

3-4 June 2018, Warsaw, [Meeting of the Committees on European Affairs of the Visegrád Group Countries](#)

- The post-2020 Multiannual Financial Framework - the place and role of cohesion policy
- Financing Trans-European megaprojects: needs, resources and potential risks
- Building a solid cybersecurity of the EU - the role of the V4 countries
- Working lunch: The problem of indexing the child benefits to the cost of living in the country of residence
- Adoption of the Conclusions

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

NEW ON THE OIDE WEBSITE

Following sections have been updated:

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Bibliographies: [BREXIT – selected publications \(since 2016\)](#); [Debate on the future of the EU](#); [EU institutional system and law](#); [The national parliaments' position in the EU under the Lisbon Treaty](#)

Polish Legal Acts: [The Standing Orders of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland](#)

Statutes Granting Consent for Ratification in Matters Relating to Poland's Membership of the European Union: [8th term](#)

LATEST DEBATES - COMMENTS

Selected articles on the current political and economic issues in the EU from the specialist periodicals available on-line (02.07.2018)

- Angerer J.: [Economic Dialogue with the European Commission on the European Semester Spring 2018 Package](#), „Analiza”, Biuro Analiz Parlamentu Europejskiego, 27.06.2018.
- Angerer J., S. A. Valkama: [Implementation of the Stability and Growth Pact \(June 2018\)](#), „Briefing”, Biuro Analiz Parlamentu Europejskiego, 11.06.2018.
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- Anghel S. E., Drachenberg R.: [Outlook for the meetings of EU leaders, 28-29 June 2018](#), „Briefing”, Biuro Analiz Parlamentu Europejskiego, 27.06.2018.
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- Ciucci M., Deslandes J. J. P.: [Country-Specific Recommendations in banking - June 2018](#), „Briefing”, Biuro Analiz Parlamentu Europejskiego, 14.06.2018.
- Cousseran J.-C. (ed.): [European asylum policy: rehabilitating solidarity](#), Terra Nova, 15.06.2018.
- Drachenberg R., Kotanidis S.: [Future of Europe debates: Parliament hosts Heads of State or Government](#), „Briefing”, Biuro Analiz Parlamentu Europejskiego, 08.06.2018.

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