



## Social dimension of Europe – overview of initiatives since the start of the Juncker Commission

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PROPOSAL	COMMISSION ADOPTION DATE	STATUS
<u>Mainstreaming of social priorities and indicators in the European Semester of Economic Policy Coordination</u>	November 2014	Embedded in the annual cycle of the European Semester
Legislation to boost the Youth Guarantee by raising the prefinancing of the Youth Employment Initiative	4 February 2015	Adopted by European Parliament and Council on 19 May 2015
Launch of a <u>New Start for Social Dialogue</u>	5 March 2015 – EU-level conference ‘A New Start for Social Dialogue’	June 2016: Joint Statement signed by the European Commission, the Dutch Presidency and Social Partners, confirming their shared commitment to social dialogue
<u>Social impact assessment of the new Stability Support Programme for Greece</u>	20 August 2015	Published on 20 August 2015
<u>Announcement on the establishment of a European Pillar of Social Rights</u>	15 September 2015	Announced by President Juncker in his 2015 State of the Union address, followed by a <u>public consultation that ran from March to December 2016</u>
<u>Recommendation on integrating the long-term unemployed in the labour market</u>	17 September 2015	Adopted by the Council on 17 February 2016
Legislation on <u>making products and services more accessible for people with disabilities</u>	2 December 2015	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
Legislation to <u>revise the rules on the posting of workers</u>	8 March 2016	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
Legislation on <u>improving working conditions in the fishing sector, implementing an agreement of EU social partners</u>	29 April 2016	Adopted by Council on 19 December 2016
Legislation on the <u>protection of workers from exposure to cancer-causing chemicals at work (batch 1)</u>	13 May 2016	Adopted by European Parliament and Council on 11 July 2017



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<a href="#">Launch of European platform to enhance the cooperation in tackling undeclared work</a>	27 May 2016	Initially proposed by Commission on 9 April 2014, adopted by European Parliament and Council on 9 March 2016
<a href="#">Recommendation on “Upskilling Pathways”: New Opportunities for Adults (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	10 June 2016	Adopted by Council on 19 December 2016
<a href="#">Recommendation to revise the European Qualifications Framework (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	10 June 2016	Adopted by Council on 22 May 2017
<a href="#">Initiative to support the modernisation of vocational education and training (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	10 June 2016	<a href="#">5 December 2016 – First European Vocational Skills Week</a> <a href="#">Next European Vocational Skills Week: 20 – 24 November 2017</a>
<a href="#">Entry into force of the Enforcement Directive, facilitating the enforcement of the rules on posting of workers by national authorities</a>	18 June 2016	Initially proposed by Commission on 21 March 2012, adopted by European Parliament and Council on 13 May 2014
<a href="#">Legislation to make skills and qualifications more visible through a revision of Europass (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	4 October 2016	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
<a href="#">Launch of the Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	1 December 2016	Operational on 1 December 2017
<a href="#">Launch of the European Solidarity Corps (first phase)</a>	7 December 2016	Operational on 7 December 2016, first placement in March 2017
<a href="#">ErasmusPro: Promoting long-term placements abroad for vocational education and training learners</a>	7 December 2016	First placements in 2018
<a href="#">Legislation to modernise the rules on the coordination of social security systems</a>	13 December 2016	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
<a href="#">New strategy to improve health and safety at work</a>	10 January 2017	Currently under discussion in Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work
<a href="#">Legislation on the protection of workers from exposure to cancer-causing chemicals at work (batch 2)</a>	10 January 2017	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
<a href="#">Launch of a Blueprint for Sectoral Cooperation on Skills, a network between business, trade unions, education and public authorities, to deliver sector-specific solutions to skills needs in an era of technological change</a>	26 January 2017	Six pilot sectors launched in January 2017 (automotive; defence; maritime technology; space – geo information; textile, clothing, leather and footwear; and tourism). The next 6 sectors will be announced in October 2017
<a href="#">Presentation of the European Pillar of Social Rights</a>	26 April 2017	Discussions towards joint proclamation by European Parliament, Council and Commission ongoing

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<a href="#">Presentation of the Social Scoreboard to monitor Member States' progress on social indicators</a>	26 April 2017	Operational on 26 April 2017, to be embedded in the European Semester
<a href="#">Legislation to improve the work-life balance of working parents and carers</a>	26 April 2017	Currently discussed in European Parliament and Council
<a href="#">Revision of the Written Statement Directive to ensure fair and predictable employment contracts</a>	26 April 2017	Launch of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> stage of the social partner consultation on 21 September 2017. Proposal expected by the end of 2017.
<a href="#">Access to social protection for workers in non-standard forms of employment</a>	26 April 2017	Social Partner consultation ongoing
<a href="#">Guidance on the implementation of the Working Time Directive</a>	26 April 2017	Applicable since 26 April 2017
<a href="#">Reflection paper on the social dimension of Europe by 2025</a>	26 April 2017	Discussions ongoing, next key moment: Social Summit for Fair Jobs and Growth
<a href="#">Legislative proposal to foresee the European Solidarity Corps with a dedicated budget (second phase)</a>	30 May 2017	Currently discussed in European Parliament & Council
<a href="#">Recommendation on higher education and vocational graduate tracking</a>	30 May 2017	Currently discussed in Council
<a href="#">Launch of the EU Skills Profile Tool for non-EU nationals (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	20 June 2017	Operational on 20 June 2017
<a href="#">Legislation to improve the working conditions of seafarers on board of EU-flagged vessels, implementing a social partners agreement</a>	27 July 2017	Currently discussed in Council
<a href="#">Announcement of a European Labour Authority</a>	13 September 2017	Announced by President Juncker in his <a href="#">2017 State of the Union address</a> . Proposal expected by the end of 2018.
<a href="#">Setting up a Quality Framework for Apprenticeships (under the New Skills Agenda for Europe)</a>	Foreseen for adoption early October 2017	Preparations in the Commission ongoing