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Recent legislative proposals by the EU Commission

- ❖ Working conditions
- ❖ Skills
- ❖ Social protection coverage

Working conditions:

- Proposal for a **Directive on more transparent and predictable working conditions**
- Directive on **Work-Life Balance**

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- Proposal for a **Directive on more transparent and predictable working conditions** across the EU (December 2017, to modernise existing obligations to inform workers about working conditions. Setting new minimum standards for all, incl. non-standard workers)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52017PC0797>

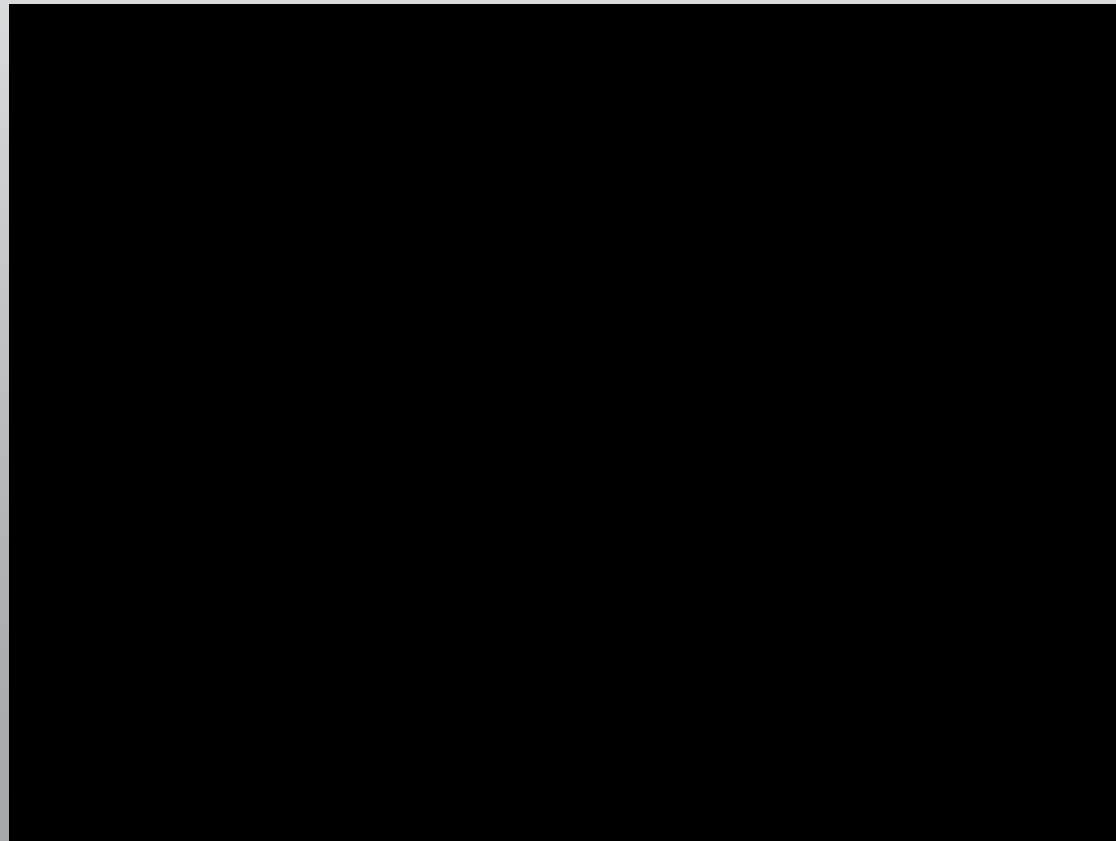
- Opinion of EESC: The EESC regrets that it was not possible to revise and update the Written Statement Directive (Directive 91/533/ EEC) within the social dialogue framework. It points out that the social partners have a specific role in regulating transparent and predictable working conditions through social dialogue and collective bargaining, respecting the diversity among the Member States and national practices

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1539768738297&uri=CELEX:52018AE0300>

Working conditions:

- Directive on **Work-Life Balance** (February 2018, to promote parental, paternity and career's leave, flexible working arrangements and protection from dismissal and discrimination)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1494929657775&uri=CELEX:52017PC0253>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kou2BVFVFA8>

Skills:

- Recommendation on a **framework for quality and effective apprenticeships**

(adopted March 2018, to encourage highly –skilled and qualified workforce, responsive to labour market needs)

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?toc=OJ:C:2018:153:TOC&uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2018.153.01.0001.01.ENG

- Recommendation on **Key Competences for Lifelong Learning**

(adopted May 2018, to prepare people for more frequent job changes, to foster functional literacy, languages and entrepreneurship)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32018H0604%2801%29>

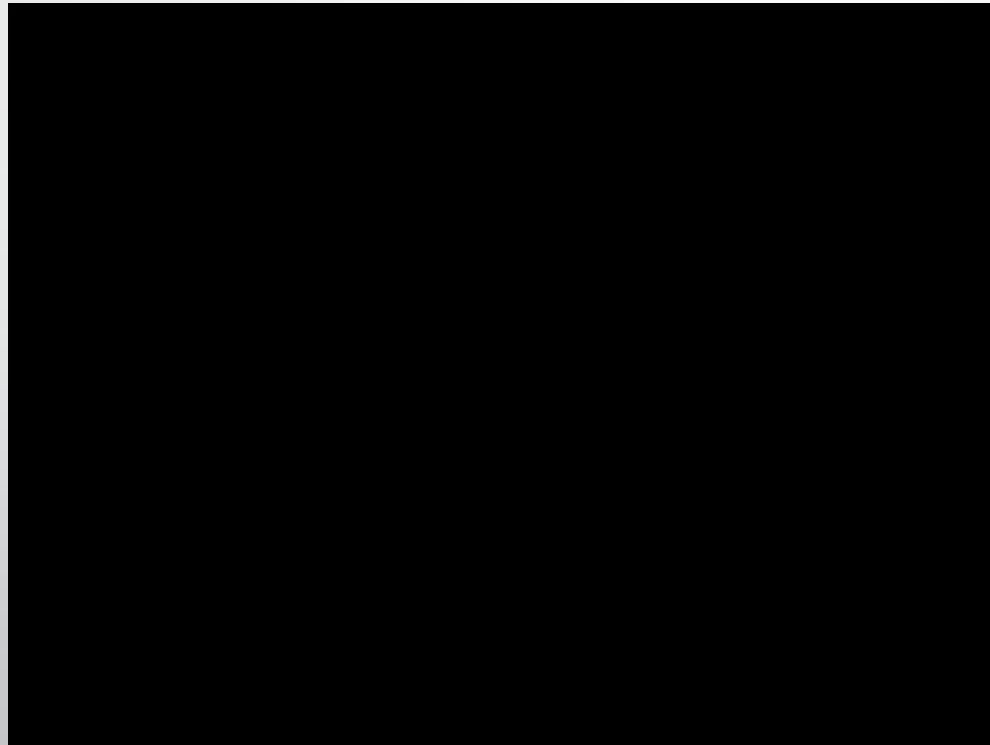
- Recommendation on **High Quality Early Childhood Education and Care**

(adopted May 2018, to improve education outcomes because of high influence of early education thereon.)

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A52018DC0271>

Social protection coverage:

- Proposal for a Recommendation **on Access to social protection**
(March 2018, to extend access to social protection to all non-standard workers and the self-employed)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OreD-mrDk58>

Citizens' Dialogue" with EU with Ms Mariya Gabriel, the Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society (September 25, 2018)

- Digital Agenda West Balkans – launched June 2018
http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-18-4242_en.htm
- EU's AI strategy – launch April 2019

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“A European approach to Artificial Intelligence”



Commission’s strategy on Artificial Intelligence based on three pillars:

- Being ahead of technological developments and encouraging acceptance in the public and private sectors
- Prepare for socio-economic changes brought about by AI
- Ensure an appropriate ethical and legal framework (also ensuring data protection)

Digital Education Action Plan

The Commission has adopted a **Digital Education Action Plan** which includes 11 actions to support technology-use and digital competence development in education.

The action plan has three priorities, setting out measures to help EU Member States meet the challenges and opportunities of education in the digital age:

- Making better use of digital technology for teaching and learning (Action 1 to 3)
 - **Action 1 - Connectivity in Schools**
 - **Action 2 - SELFIE self-reflection tool & mentoring scheme for schools**
 - **Action 3 - Digitally-Signed Qualifications**
- Developing digital competences and skills (Action 4 to 8)
 - **Action 4 - Higher Education Hub**
 - **Action 5 - Open Science Skills**
 - **Action 6 - EU Code Week in schools**
 - **Action 7 - Cybersecurity in Education**
 - **Action 8 - Training in digital and entrepreneurial skills for girls**
- Improving education through better data analysis and foresight (Action 9 to 11)
 - **Action 9 - Studies on ICT in education**
 - **Action 10 - Artificial Intelligence and analytics**
 - **Action 11 - Strategic foresight**

- **EU commission Study on New forms of work together with OECD**

published in early 2019

- **Conference on policy responses to new forms of work - Nov 7, 2018 (Paris)**

Live stream:

<http://www.oecd.org/els/emp/conference-new-forms-of-work-policy.htm>

- **Webinar Eurofund- making the platform economy work well for workers**

8 November 2018 from 14:00 to 16:00 CET,

<https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/event-types/eurofound-webinar>