

ECONOMY-INNOVATION

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2010/RTD+/047	4th quarter of the year		Specific Programmes implementing the Eighth Framework Programme of the European Union for research, technological development and demonstration activities	The Specific Programmes will implement the next EU Framework Programme Common Strategic Framework on Research and Innovation: http://ec.europa.eu/research/csfr/index_en.cfm (from 2014) en Strategic Innovation Agenda: http://eit.europa.eu/activities/sia.html (December 2011)
2011/RTD+/019	27 September		Communication on partnerships in research and innovation	The Commission will present a Communication on how partnerships for innovation and research of different nature (such as public-private and public-public), can deliver towards the EU 2020 strategy and the Innovation Union. In this context special attention will be paid to the Innovation Partnerships concept.
2011/ENTR/013	December		Fostering industrial competitiveness and innovation in the EU through world-class competitive clusters	This initiative aims at streamlining the different EU initiatives in support of clusters towards the strategic objective of creating more world-class clusters in Europe, with particular focus on emerging industries, and consolidating existing CIP-funded initiatives. Special emphasis needs to be paid to better support the internationalisation of cluster activities and to better integrate SMEs into them. At the same time, this new initiative will position EU cluster initiatives into the new policy framework created by the Europe EU2020 strategy, and particularly by the two Flagship Initiatives "An industrial policy for the globalisation era", and "Innovation Union", and linked them towards the objective of smart specialisation as promoted by the recent Communication on "Regional policy contributing to smart growth in Europe EU2020".
2011/REGIO+/003	2nd quarter of the year		7 th progress report on economic, social; and territorial cohesion	Yearly update of the economic, social and territorial situation in the countries and regions of the EU.
2010/RTD/022	March		Commission Staff Working Paper on the implementation of the European Partnership for Researchers (CWP 2011)	This document will assess the progress made until the end of 2010 in the implementation of the European Researchers Partnership (EPR) launched as a follow up of the Commission communication: "Better Careers and More Mobility: A European Partnership for Researchers". Specifically, the report, has the following objectives: •To show progress made and identify good practices •To highlight gaps and identify challenges and focus areas for new policy initiatives in the context of the Fifth Freedom, of the ERA 2020 Vision and of the Europe 2020 perspectives.

2011/RTD/004	March		Commission decision establishing the European Research Area Board	The Commission should adopt a new founding decision supporting ERAB to reflect the concerns expressed in its Communication "Europe 2020 Flagship Initiative Innovation Union - Transforming Europe for a post-crisis world".
2010/RTD/019	June		Commission Staff Working Paper on the Implementation of the ERA partnership on Knowledge transfer	Improve the exploitation of publicly-funded research results through more effective transfer of knowledge from research organizations to the commercial sector. Analyse and report on the measures taken by Member States and EU to improve knowledge transfer in Europe, and their impact.
2010/RTD/023	2nd quarter of the year		Commission Decision concerning the setting up of the Biobanking and Biomolecular Resources Research Infrastructure (BBMRI) as a European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC)	The BBMRI-ERIC will sustainably secure access to biological resources required for health-related research and development intended to improve the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disease and to promote the health of the citizens of Europe.
2011/RTD/015	3d quarter of the year		Research joint programming initiative "The microbial challenge – An emerging threat to human health "	This Joint Programming Initiative will coordinate health-research programmes of Member States. It is led by SE+IT and supported by 7 other countries. It is fully in line with the Council Conclusions of 1/12/09, calling upon the Commission and MS to intensifying research coordination in this field and asking the Commission to set up an integrated Action Plan to combat AMR. This JPI aims to provide a longitudinal, holistic, and overarching approach, currently lacking in Europe and better exploiting synergies between national and European research programmes. It will be able to address some major bottlenecks, such as the shortage of new antibiotics to treat drug resistant life threatening infections.
2011/ENTR/007	1st quarter of the year		Communication on Member States' Competitiveness policies / Industrial Competitiveness Package	To reinforce incentives for adopting competitiveness-promoting policies in the Member States, to disseminate best practice and to strengthen the evidence basis for formulating relevant and effective country-specific recommendation under Europe 2020. Ultimately, to create the best environment for maintaining and developing a strong, competitive and diversified economy in Europe as well as supporting the transition to greater energy and resource efficiency.

	4 th quarter of the year		Research joint programming initiative 'Urban Europe'	
2011/RTD+/016	3d quarter of the year		Commission Recommendation on a Research joint programming initiative 'More Years, Better Lives'	This Joint Programming Initiative will coordinate health-research programmes of Member States. This JPI aims to provide a longitudinal, holistic, and overarching approach, currently lacking in Europe and better exploiting synergies between national and European research programmes. Demographic Ageing is clearly a major societal challenge with a strong European dimension.
<u>2011/SG/003</u>	12 January		Communication on Europe 2020 – Annual growth survey	The Annual Growth Survey launches the first European Semester of economic and fiscal policy coordination. It provides input to the Spring European Council which will identify the main economic challenges facing the EU and give strategic advice on Member States' policies.
<u>2010/ENTR+/022</u>	2 February		Communication on raw materials	The Communication will set out the key challenges with regard to access to raw materials as well the crucial role that raw materials will play after the crisis in order to ensure a sustainable development of the EU economy in the long term and therefore its contribution to the EU 2020. The revision of the 2008 Communication will include key strategic issues such as the definition of critical raw materials, policy actions to fight export restrictions applied by third countries, how to better integrate the raw materials dimension into the EU development policy and actions to promote research and substitution inside the EU.
2011/ENTR/008	December		Communication on the strategy for the sustainable competitiveness of the EU construction sector	The Communication will focus on four strategic objectives aimed at enhancing the competitiveness of the sector: (a) a coherent quality policy for the sector; (b) an improved regulatory environment, in particular for public procurement, competition registration and qualification systems, health & safety and payment delays; (c) better provision of education and training ; (d) strengthening of research, innovation and knowledge deployment. This Communication will also focus on the role of this sector in the fight against climate change.
Com(2010)245			Flagship 'Digital Agenda'	
	3d quarter of the year		Eco-innovation Action Plan	

ENERGY

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2011/ENER/004	22 June		Directive on energy efficiency and savings	This initiative is a follow up to the European Energy Efficiency Plan. It will provide an enhanced framework for energy efficiency and savings policies of Member States, including targets, role of National Energy Efficiency Action Plans, exemplary role of public sector, financing, consumer information. It will also define instruments to develop the energy services market and the roles of energy companies in promoting energy savings throughout the energy supply chain, including supply to end-users. It will set framework conditions for increased generation, transmission and distribution efficiency, including strengthened measures for the promotion of cogeneration and district heating & cooling. It will replace the Energy Services Directive 2006/32/EC. The final legal form still needs to be decided.
2008/TAXUD/003	13 April		Review of the Energy Taxation Directive	The revision of the Energy Taxation Directive is a response to the request of the Spring European Council that the Energy Taxation Directive be brought more closely into line with the EU's energy and climate change objectives. It should allow Member States to address non-ETS energy and CO2 emissions' issues in a simple and cost effective way, contributing to the 2020 overall energy reduction targets, individual targets for Member States for greenhouse gas emissions reductions, and renewable energy targets. Furthermore, it should prevent or eliminate existing overlaps with the Emissions Trading System.
2010/ENER/012	December		Initiative to support the implementation of smart grids	This legislation will provide a framework for the implementation of smart grids in the Member States. The large scale implementation of smart grids is key to increase energy efficiency, to support the uptake of electricity from renewable energy and the setting up of an infrastructure for electric vehicles. It will inter alia define quality criteria to which smart grids need to respond and the obligation for development of national plans. The final legal form still needs to be decided.
2011/CLIMA/005	8 March		Communication on a Low carbon economy 2050 roadmap	This communication analyses the temporal pathway for the transition to a low carbon economy for the EU by 2050, makes EU energy secure and ensures sustainable growth and jobs, while ensuring that the proposed measures are most cost-efficient and do not bring negative distributional consequences. The resulting vision of structural and technological changes needed contributes to the flagship initiative "Resource efficient Europe" of the Europe 2020 strategy.
2009/ENER/048	8 March		European Energy Efficiency Plan until 2020	The Communication will identify the key measures to fully achieve the cost-effective energy savings potentials of 20% by 2020, across all sectors, including building, utility, transport and industry. In parallel, experience from the first Energy Efficiency Action Plan will be analysed.
2011/ENER/002	3d quarter of the year		Energy Roadmap 2050	The roadmap will present a range of possible development paths for the EU energy system to 2050, towards a low carbon, resource efficient system, allowing implications of today's decisions to be better assessed and decisions needed today of strategic importance (e.g. infrastructure planning) to be better understood.

2011/ENER/003	2nd quarter of the year		Roadmap to a resource efficient Europe	As part of the Resource Efficient Europe flagship initiative, building on and complementing the other proposals under this flagship, notably those on decarbonisation of transport, energy and the economy, the Roadmap will set out a coherent framework of policies and actions in a variety of policy areas, required for the shift towards a resource efficient economy. Given the demographic, economic and resource use trends, it will set out a vision for the kind of economy and society we ought to aim for in 2050. The aim is to increase resource productivity and decouple economic growth from the negative impacts of resource use, enhance competitiveness and promote security of supply and resource independence of the EU.
<u>2011/SG/002</u>	26 January		A resource efficient Europe – Flagship initiative of the EU 2020 Strategy	The efficient allocation of resources is one of the 7 flagship initiatives in the EU 2020. It will support the shift towards a resource-efficient and low-carbon economy, enhance competitiveness and economic growth, create jobs and promote greater resource security by decoupling economic growth from resource use. It will provide a framework for a large number of policy areas and initiatives to be adopted at EU level, including long-term policy agendas for climate, energy and transport, reform of agriculture, fisheries, biodiversity and other resource related policies. The landmark proposals have been indicated in the Commission Work Programme 2011 for the years to come to ensure progressive delivery of actions. The design and the timing of the different initiatives, in particular overarching ones, will hereby be carefully coordinated.
<u>2010/ENER/027</u>	31 January		The Renewable Energy Progress Report: Commission Report in accordance with Article 3 of Directive 2001/77/EC and Article 4(2) of Directive 2003/30/EC	Report on the progress of renewable energy use in the EU and towards the 2020 indicative targets in the field of renewable electricity, heating and transport.
<u>2010/ENER/028</u>	31 January		The Financing of Renewable Energy, reporting in accordance with Article 23 of Directive 2009/28/EC	To review current community and national financing instruments for renewable energy. To assess funding needs for reaching the 20-20 target. To provide recommendations for improving existing financing instruments at both European and National levels.
2010/RTD+/044	December		Communication on the progress in the implementation of the SET-Plan	The purpose of this communication is to take stock of the progress achieved so far in the implementation of the SET-Plan, including the European Energy Research Alliance and the European Industrial Initiatives.

			Smart-cities-initiative	
2010/31/EG			Report on the implementation of energy performance of buildings directive	
	13 July		Follow-up on communication on offshore oil and gas safety	

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/DEV+/012	October		Communication on Sustainable Development / Climate Change and Energy as driver for Growth	Ensuring accelerated and widespread growth presents huge challenges in terms of environmental sustainability and climate change adaptation and mitigation measures. This initiative will focus on access to sustainable energy for all citizens while increasing the resilience of developing countries to climate change, preventing spiralling carbon emissions and ensuring global food security.
2011/ENV/009	June		Twenty years after the Rio Earth Summit: Preparing for the 2012 Conference on Sustainable Development	Rio+20 as agreed by the UNGA will be the fourth major "Sustainable Development Conference" in 2012, with Green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty reduction as its key topic. The EU will need to have a clear message on this topic. To ensure a coordinated EU input into the Summit, a Commission Communication is planned setting out the EU strategic objectives on the two key topics of the Summit, i.e. on "green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication" and on the "institutional framework for sustainable development", in line with EU 2020 Strategy.

2011/ENV/006	4th quarter of the year		Green infrastructure initiative	Green Infrastructure combines the maintenance and restoration of ecosystems with the provision of a service they perform (i.e. water retention and purification, carbon sequestration). Further to the introduction of the concept in the 2009 White Paper on Climate Change Adaptation and as a follow up of the 2010 Biodiversity Communication, the objective of this initiative would be to (a) propose a common understanding at EU level on the concept of Green Infrastructure; (b) help to promote its further implementation in a consistent way (in particular in the context of EU-funded investments – e.g. regional policy and CAP funding and (c) facilitate exchange of good practices.
2011/INFSO/022	3d quarter of the year		Communication 'Green, digital lighting: Solid State Lighting for a low-carbon economy'	In 2011, the Commission will: publish a Green Paper on Solid State Lighting (SSL) to explore the barriers and to put forward policy suggestions; it will in parallel support demonstration projects using the CIP.
2010/ECFIN/149	1st quarter of the year		Commission Staff Working Paper on the green aspects of sustainable growth	The purpose of this Commission Staff Working Paper will be to provide a conceptual framework for the green dimension of the sustainable growth pillar of the Europe 2020 strategy, i.e. commonly agreed principles on the design of the policies and initiatives under this pillar, acknowledging that "green" does not necessarily mean "growth". Accordingly, the Commission Staff Working Paper would not list forthcoming Commission proposals, but would set out principles, identify bottlenecks to growth and suggest monitoring tools. This would provide a sound starting point for formulating policy recommendations on structural reforms aimed at supporting Member States' transition towards greener growth.
2011/RTD/012	3d quarter of the year		Research joint programming initiative 'Water Challenges for a Changing World'	This Joint Programming Initiative will coordinate the Water-research programmes of Member States (the proposal has been elaborated by ES and NL and other 12 MS have declared their intention to participate so far), avoiding unnecessary duplications and exploiting synergies between the national research programmes and the European ones. Moreover, the JPI will elaborate a strategic research agenda and implement it through multi-annual joint actions and calls for proposals, which financial dimension can be estimated in the order of 80-100 M€/y.

ENVIRONMENT

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2011/CLIMA/001	December		Report and poss. proposal for revision of the Regulation on fluorinated greenhouse gases	To evaluate and possibly review the F-gas Regulation which aims to reduce emissions from the most relevant stationary applications (e.g. refrigeration, airconditioning). Art. 10 requires the Commission to evaluate by 04/07/2011 certain retrospective and prospective issues and to follow-up, where necessary, with legislative proposals. The main objectives are: (1) to review and possibly strengthen the current framework to contribute to current or future climate change goals; (2) to anticipate future developments by ensuring compatibility with potential international commitments for HFCs, in particular under the Montreal Protocol; (3) to upgrade existing legislation through clarification and enhancement of the effectiveness and efficiency.
2008/ENV/012	June		Proposal of Directive reviewing the list of priority substances in accordance with Article 16 (4) of the Water Framework Directive	According to Article 16 of the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC), the Commission shall identify and review the list of priority substances every four years. This approach shall eliminate pollution of surface waters which is caused by dangerous substance. The Directive establishes clear criteria that substances which cause a significant risk across the EU shall be regulated at Community level. So far, 33 substances or group of substances are regulated. The next review is likely to add additional chemicals to the list.
2011/ENV/001	4th quarter of the year		Directive (or Recommendation) on Water Efficiency of Buildings	The objective is to increase the water efficiency of buildings and thereby reduce human pressure on water resources and adapt to climate change. There are two main policy options: either to develop a Directive implying a substantive degree of harmonisation or to develop a Recommendation addressed to all the Member States which would provide MS with guidance on improving water efficiency. The type of initiative will depend on the outcome of the stakeholders consultation.
2008/ENV/011	July		Directive on the quality of water intended for human consumption replacing Council Directive 98/83/EC.	The general aim of the drinking water Directive is the provision of clean and wholesome water to EU citizens. The revised Directive will address the existing problems as regards the assessment of the costs and benefits related to the implementation of Water Safety Plans for the production and distribution of drinking water in water supply zones of varying size and in Member States in various geographical and climatic conditions; the costs and benefits related to addressing smaller water supply zones in a regulatory/non regulatory way; and the costs and benefits related to the change of parameters and parameter values and a change in monitoring practices.

2010/ENV/004	1st quarter of the year		Communication on a new post 2010 EU biodiversity policy and strategy	The policy objective is in the first place to deliver on the EU post-2010 vision and target as agreed in March 2010. The target includes three main elements: a) halting the loss of biodiversity and the degradation of ecosystem services in the EU by 2020; b) restoring them in so far as feasible and c) stepping up the EU contribution to averting global biodiversity loss.
2011/ENV/002	2nd quarter of the year		Final assessment of 6 th Environmental Action Programme (6EAP)	The EP and Council Decision (1600/2002/EC) laying down the 6EAP requires the Commission to complete a final assessment of the programme by July 2012. This will be based on the European Environment State and Outlook Report 2010 (SoER) from the EEA (to be published in November 2010) and on the results of the external evaluation of the 6EAP by a contractor (final report in December 2010).
2011/ENV/003	2nd quarter of the year		Roadmap to a resource efficient Europe	As part of the Resource Efficient Europe flagship initiative, building on and complementing the other proposals under this flagship, notably those on decarbonisation of transport, energy and the economy, the Roadmap will set out a coherent framework of policies and actions in a variety of policy areas, required for the shift towards a resource efficient economy. Given the demographic, economic and resource use trends, it will set out a vision for the kind of economy and society we ought to aim for in 2050. The aim is to increase resource productivity and decouple economic growth from the negative impacts of resource use, enhance competitiveness and promote security of supply and resource independence of the EU.
2011/ENV/007	September		Communication on Implementing environmental policy: a common challenge	The Communication will address the shortcomings in implementing environmental legislation and propose a strategic way forward, including the exploration of a number of practical avenues to improve the current situation, looking inter alia into the issues of improved coherence of the legislation but also mechanisms to improve effectiveness of inspections (notably related to Waste legislation but not exclusively) as well as the role of national judges in supporting the implementation of EU environmental legislation with a view to reducing the number of infringement cases.
<u>2009/ENTR+/012</u>	17 February		Commission decision on the authorisation of dangerous substances of high concern (REACH)	This initiative concerns the implementation of REACH. The Commission decision concerns the authorisation of dangerous substances of high concern and will adapt the Annexes to the REACH regulation.

2010/ENTR/035	2nd quarter of the year		Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards Annex XVII (Acrylamide)	Amending the Annex XVII to introduce a restriction on acrylamide in grouting applications
2010/ENV/022	March		Commission Report on the review of Directive 2004/42/EC of the EP and of the Council of 21 April 2004 on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing products and amending Directive 1999/13/EC	This report is based on the review of Directive 2004/42/EC according to article 9(1) of that Directive and article 10 of Directive 2001/81/EC (NEC Directive). It includes an assessment of various options to modify the scope and provisions of the Directive in order to achieve further cost-effective reductions of VOC emissions.
2010/ENV/008	1st quarter of the year		Progress Report on the Soil Thematic Strategy	The Soil Thematic Strategy (COM(2006)231) was adopted in 2006. It sets out a strategy for the EU with the objective of preventing further soil degradation, preserving soil functions, and restoring degraded soils. The strategy contains a number of implementing measures that the Commission has undertaken to deliver. The progress report will take stock of what has been achieved so far to fulfil the strategy's objectives.

2011/ENV/011	2nd quarter of the year		Shared Environmental Information System (SEIS) Implementation Plan	Focusing on the three streams recently identified in the 2008 SEIS Communication and exemplified in the comprehensive SEIS Status Report, the SEIS Implementation Plan (Communication/Staff Working Paper) will be prepared
			Review of the AEEA-directive	http://ec.europa.eu/prelex/detail_dossier_real.cfm?CL=nl&DosId=197711 (14/3: Politiek akkoord van de Raad, nog geen stemming in plenaire zitting)
			Review of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive	Laatste info rond Milieu effectenrapportage: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/eia/conference.htm
	December (consultation)		Integrated Coastal Zone Management	

EDUCATION - VOCATIONAL TRAINING - YOUTH

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2010/EAC/028	31 January		Proposal of the Commission for a Council Recommendation on Early School Leaving	Early school leaving is subject to one of the key targets under EU2020 and it has been an objective under the open method of coordination for education and training since its beginning. Following the 2008 Communication on Schools for the 21st century and the various discussions that followed, the Commission is proposing a Council Recommendation. The Recommendation would draw these elements together and provide Member States with a “policy toolbox” which could be used to tackle the issue and accelerate the rate of improvement in the EU.
2011/EAC/008	17 February		Commission communication on early childhood education and care	The Communication will marshall the substantial evidence that currently exists (eg via OECD, UNICEF, etc) and set out an agenda for work under the Open Method of Coordination.

2011/EAC/009	June		Commission Proposal for a Council Recommendation on the promotion and validation of non-formal and informal learning supporting the development of national qualifications frameworks linked to the EQF	Part of the Youth on the Move initiative; it will address how national qualifications frameworks should facilitate the promotion and validation of non-formal and informal learning outcomes and provide permeability between VET and higher education, as well as how to promote professionalism and recognition of those delivering such learning experiences, in particular in the youth field.
2011/EAC/011	4th quarter of the year		Draft 2012 Joint Progress Report of the Council and the Commission on the progress made under the 2009-11 priorities of education and training 2020.	Report on implementation of the Education and training OMC during 2009-11 as foreseen in the Strategic Framework for European cooperation in education and training and update of priorities to cover the subsequent period.
2010/JUST/047	15 February		Communication on the European Strategy on the rights of the child (2011-2014)	The Communication will presents the Commission's priorities as regards the rights of the child on the basis of the consultations carried out with EU Institutions, UNICEF, NGOs and with children.
2010/EAC/022	January		Commission Staff Working paper on the Implementation of the Adult Learning Action Plan (2007)	The initiative will review progress made on the five priority actions of the Action Plan on Adult Learning: It is always a good time to learn, (adopted in 2007 and ending in December 2010) and give an overview of the work done to fulfil the objectives set in the 2006 Communication, It is never too late to learn. It will set the priorities for adult learning in the context of the broader strategic policy objectives which have been defined in the meantime, including E&T 2020 and EU 2020, and draw conclusions for the future direction of policy in ths field. It will form the basis for an evaluation conference in March 2011, under the Hungarian Presidency.

2010/EAC/031	16 March		Commission services working paper - Report from an ad-hoc working group on EU indicators in the youth field	The Council Resolution on the renewed framework for cooperation in the youth field (2010-2018), adopted by the Council of Youth Ministers in November 2009, invited the Commission to set up a working group "to discuss, in consultation with relevant policy areas, existing data on the situation of young people and the possible need for development of indicators in fields where they do not exist, or where no youth perspective is apparent". A working group consisting of Member States, stakeholder groups and Commission services was thus established in January 2010 to elaborate on a dashboard of indicators in eight fields of action: education & training, employment & entrepreneurship, social inclusion, health & well-being, culture & creativity, youth participation, volunteering and youth & the world.
			Flagship 'Youth on the move'	
2011/COMM/002	1st quarter of the year		Commission proposal for an EP and Council decision establishing a European Year of Citizens 2013	In the run up to the European elections 2014 and the launch of the next generation of the citizens' programme, the European Year aims at increasing the interest of citizens in political and civic participation. The European Year will highlight the interdependence of citizens' rights across the board and their involvement in the democratic debate and will be closely linked to key issues which are of a major concern to people (such as, e.g., the themes of the Europe 2020 flagship initiatives). The Year is targeted on the general public, but will address also specific groups such as women and young people. The Year will be implemented in the EU27.

SOCIAL POLICY - LABOUR MARKET

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/EMPL/021	January		Proposal for a Council Decision on Employment Guidelines	As provided by article 148 TFEU, the Council on a proposal from the Commission shall each year draw up guidelines which the Member States shall take into account in their employment policies. The Commission proposal will be adopted each year in January starting 2011.
2010/EAC/005	June		Commission communication on a new competences initiative	The Communication is linked to the New Skills for New Jobs initiative and seeks to develop the key competences approach in the fields of vocational training, adult learning and higher education, building on the 2006 Key Competences Recommendation but going beyond. It supports efforts in Member States to modernise these other areas of education and training provision, looking especially at assessment and validation questions and the development of a common language on competences between the worlds of education/training and of work, including the proposals for a High Level Forum on basic skills and for a European Skills Passport.

2011/EMPL/016	2nd quarter of the year		First stage consultation of the European Social Partners on reconciliation between work, family and private life	In line with the 2010 Women's charter and following from the 2008 reconciliation package, the Commission will consult the European social partners on further legislative measures to improve work life balance, including paternity and filial leave. These measures will have the double aim of increasing female employment rates as women bear the main responsibilities for caring for children and other dependants as well as tackling the demographic challenge. Depending on the outcome of the consultation, the Commission may adopt a legislative proposal on reconciliation, including on paternity and filial leave, in 2012.
2011/HOME/017	2nd quarter of the year		Communication on an EU agenda for integration	The Lisbon Treaty provides, for the first time, an explicit legal basis to pro-actively develop European cooperation in the field of integration of legally staying third country nationals. The European Parliament will be on an equal footing with the Council. EU action will become more comprehensive and will allow the further development of integration policy through measures which provide incentives and support for the action of Member States. The EU policy context in this area will be framed by the Stockholm Programme on justice, freedom and security which, in particular, invites the Commission to support the Member States' efforts by developing a coordination mechanism based on a common reference framework which is intended to improve the structures and tools for the exchange of knowledge at European level.
2011/HOME/001	October		Communication on the evaluation and future development of the Global Approach to Migration	In the Stockholm programme, the European Council called for the further development and consolidation of the Global Approach to migration, the external dimension of the EU's migration policy focusing on dialogue and partnerships with third countries. The overall aim is for EU migration policy to be an integral part of EU external policy. This Communication will be part of a package together with two communications/staff working documents (format still to be determined) on migration and development and on migration and climate change.
2011/JUST/022	5 April		EU Framework for national strategies on Roma integration	Based on the the first phase of the work of the Roma Task Force, the Communication will, in particular, assess the use and the effectiveness of the EU funds by Member States to support Roma integration. It will identify deficiencies in their use and make proposals for action
2010/JUST/049	July		Communication on strengthening the fight against racism and xenophobia within the EU	The Communication will present a common approach to better mobilise and maximize the existing legal and financial instruments in order to tackle racism, xenophobia and discrimination.

2010/DEV+/011	October		Communication on Migration and Mobility for Development: a migrant centred approach	Migration and Development is one of the three of pillars of the EU Global Approach to Migration. Earlier communications on this subject were released in December 2002 (COM(2002)703) and September 2005 (COM(2005)390). The intention of this new Communication is to take stock of progress made since 2005 and to establish renewed priorities and orientations on the subject of migration and development in the light of (a) the Stockholm programme 2010-2014 (b) the 2010 EU-Africa Summit and (c) the PCD Work Programme 2010-2013.
2011/DEV+/014	October		Report on implementation of the Gender Equality Action Plan 2010-2015	Report from Commission to Council. As required in the Council Conclusions of 14 June 2010, a first report on the implementation of the Gender Equality Action Plan is due in 2011.
2011/EMPL/015	February		Commission Staff working document on enhancing the gender balance in economic decision-making	This Commission Staff working document will give an overview of the present situation of women in economic decision making positions (publicly listed companies) and recent initiatives taken at national level to redress significant gender imbalances. It will serve as a basis for a dialogue with industry and stakeholders aimed at improving the gender balance in decision making, as a follow-up of the Women's' Charter (COM(2010)078) and the Strategy for equality between women and men 2010-2015 (COM(2010)491). It will be accompanying the Report
2010/EMPL/062	May		Communication on tackling demographic challenges after the crisis	The communication will be accompanied by the Commission Staff Working Document "Tackling the Demographic Challenges in Europe 2010" and will present the main policy implications of demographic change and the contribution that the EU can make to appropriate policy responses. The Communication will also respond to the Council conclusions on active ageing of 7 June 2010 which called on the Commission to develop common principles and a strategic framework for active ageing in view of a possible European Year on active ageing in 2012.
2011/EMPL/010	April		Communication on highly mobile workers	The Communication will describe how the existing rules to determine the applicable social security legislation apply to highly mobile workers, and the existing and future tools and initiatives to support, inform or guide highly mobile workers, employers and administrations as regards their social security protection.
2011/EMPL/009	September		Green Paper on making products and services more accessible for persons with disabilities	The Green Paper will describe access problems faced by persons with disabilities in the areas of the built environment, information and communication technologies and transport and will provide an overview of key existing policy and legal initiatives in Europe. It will invite relevant stakeholder like persons with disabilities and their organisations, industry, standardisers and policy makers to provide their views on possible new policies and legislative approaches in the EU to address effectively those problems in order to remove and prevent accessibility barriers.

2011/HOME/009	2nd quarter of the year		CSWP on addressing labour shortages through migration in the EU MS	To assess how migration could complement other EU policies aiming at reducing shortages in the Member States' labour markets whilst respecting the right of the Member States to determine the number of immigrants they admit to their territory.
2010/EMPL/022			Working time directive	
COM(2010)758			Flagship 'Platform against poverty'	
			The future of the European Social Fund	
	September		White paper on pensions (pijlers van de lidstaten en hoe dat hervormd moet worden)	

TRANSPORT

TRANSPORT – GENERAL				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2010/MOVE/002	23 March		Whitepaper on the future of transport	Horizontal strategic paper, outlining a transport policy action programme until 2020. The White Paper will define the overall framework for actions in the next ten years in the field of transport infrastructure, internal market legislation, technology for traffic management and clean vehicles, and the use of market based instruments and incentives.
2011/MOVE/005	July		Sustainable transport package: strategic transport technology plan.	On the model of the Strategic Energy technology Plan, the STTP will provide a strategic framework for research and technological development and deployment, based on policy needs and on a vision for an integrated efficient and environmentally friendly transport system at the horizon 2050. The STTP will focus European research and technology around the transport policy agenda, and facilitate coordination of European and national public and private efforts and funding. It will encompass technology road maps for leading edge technologies necessary for a competitive and clean European transport system.
2008/98/EG		soft law'	Traffic/Road Safety	
TRANSPORT – ENVIRONMENT				

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2008/MOVE/054	June		Revision of Directive 2002/30/EC establishing rules and procedures with regard to the introduction of noise-related operating restrictions	Introduction of noise-related operating restrictions. It does so in the framework of a "balanced approach" to noise management which implements and develops further at Community level the ICAO guidance on noise. As it stands, the Directive enables airports to adopt measures which address a specific noise situation. A report on the implementation of the Directive will be adopted in December 2007 by the Commission. In accordance with Article 14 of the Directive, the Commission is obliged to consider a revision of the Directive.
2011/ENTR/012	2nd quarter of the year		Proposal for a Regulation relating to the permissible sound level and the exhaust system of motor vehicles	The main objective of the initiative is aiming at reducing the negative impact of noise exposure of European citizens caused by motor vehicle traffic. The specific objective is to modify and improve the applicable requirements within the European system for the type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to their noise emissions. This concerns all new types of passenger cars, trucks, lorries and buses which shall be approved after this legislative measure comes into force
2011/ENER/008	December		Conditions for the whole amount of electricity from renewable sources used to power all types of electric vehicles to count towards the 10% renewable energy in transport target.	Proposal on counting electricity used by electric vehicles towards the target for renewable energy (legal obligation under Directive 2009/28/EC, Art 3.4.
2008/ENV/008	April		Proposal of Directive amending the Directive 99/32 on the sulphur content of liquid fuels	Directive 99/32 as revised by Directive 2005/33 contains in its Article 7 a request for the Commission to report to the Council and Parliament and bring forward appropriate proposals in particular in relation to the limit values for sulphur contents of the fuels regulated. Reduction in the sulphur content of liquid fuels was identified in the CAFE programme as a cost effective measure to reduce air pollutant emissions. The aim of the Directive is to reduce the emissions of sulphur dioxide and particulate matter from the combustion of the liquid fuels regulated by the Directive.
2011/MOVE/013	November		Commission Communication on Clean Transport Systems	The Communication will assess the status and perspectives of clean transport systems for all modes with a focus on alternative fuel technologies such as electric vehicles, hydrogen/fuel cells synthetic fuels and biofuels. it will cover technological industrial and standardisation aspects.
TRANSPORT – HARBOUR				

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2008/EMPL/014	1st quarter of the year		Proposal for a revision of exclusions concerning seafaring workers contained in Directives 2002/74/EC, 94/45/EC, 2002/14/EC, 98/59/EC, 2001/23/EC and 96/71/EC	The proposal aims to provide seafarers with the same level of employment rights as on-shore workers. A number of Directives in the field of labour law currently exclude seafarers from their scope. The amendments, which should cover several Directives, will either include seafarers in their scope or provide for special treatment of seafarers so as to ensure an equivalent level of protection, while taking into account the special circumstances and the overall economic environment for this industry.
2011/MOVE/002	September		Social Maritime Agenda Package : Proposal for a Directive on the minimum level of training of seafarers	Enhance maritime safety, security and the protection of the environment; - Ensure that all seafarers on board EU and non EU ships sailing in EU waters have been educated, trained and certificated according to the minimum requirements of the STCW Convention; - Improve the EU procedure for recognition of third countries.
2011/MOVE/017	September		Social Maritime Agenda Package : Proposals for directive(s) on enforcement of Maritime Labour Convention	- Increase maritime safety - Eliminate substandard shipping - Create fairer conditions of competition within the EU and also between EU and non EU states - Ensure decent working and living conditions on board EU ships and non EU ships calling at EU ports.
2011/MOVE/003	September		Social Maritime Agenda Package : Communication regarding a Social Agenda for Maritime Transport	It will discuss various aspects of the "human element" in maritime transport, including : - An adequate maritime labour force for the European shipping and maritime clusters; - Employment of European seafarers; - Safeguard of the European maritime know-how; - Maritime safety and security, protection of the environment.
2010/MOVE+/017	January		Communication on 'Integrating biodiversity and nature protection into port development'	To provide legal certainty with regard to the development of ports in accordance with the EU's environmental legislation
2009/17/EG			loodsdecreet	

SECURITY - JUSTICE - CRISIS RESPONSE

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/HOME/037	April		Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council - 2nd Annual Report on Immigration and Asylum (2010)	To monitor and report on the implementation of the Pact on Immigration and Asylum and the Stockholm Programme with a view to holding an annual debate at the level of the European Council.
2010/HOME/085	2nd quarter of the year		Report from the Commission to the the European Parliament and to the Council on the application of Directive 2003/109/EC on the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents	To assess the transposition in MS of Directive 2003/109 (long-term residents), as requested in Article 24 of the Directive.
2011/HOME+/020	September		Action Plan on cooperation with countries of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership in the area of justice and home affairs	The Action Plan will identify the priority areas for cooperation with countries of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership in the field of justice and home affairs, notably as regards mobility and security.
2011/HOME/047	November		Communication on the evaluation of the common policy on return and on its future development	Communication on the evaluation of the common policy on return and on its future development

OTHER INITIATIVES

GENERAL				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/BUDG/014	June		Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for 2014-20xx	Proposal for a regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework + provision for its implementation as requested by Art. 312 of the TFEU.
2011/SG/009	2nd quarter of the year		Communication on the multiannual financial framework of the European Union after 2013	The Communication will set out the approach to the multiannual financial framework of the European Union after 2013, taking into account the response to the Commission's Communication on the budget review (COM (2010) 700). The Communication will provide the context within which the specific proposals for the next generation of financial programmes and instruments will be elaborated. The Communication is to be accompanied by proposals for a Council Regulation on a new multiannual financial framework, a new own resources decision and a new interinstitutional agreement on sound financial management and cooperation in budgetary matters
2010/ECFIN/224	2nd quarter of the year		Communication on innovative financial instruments for the new Multi-Annual Financial Framework	With the aim of contributing to the effectiveness, effectiveness and visibility of Community spending in support of key policy areas, the Communication would put forward proposals to standardise and streamline EU innovative financial instruments in an overall framework of platforms establishing a set of common design and implementing principles for instruments delivering equity and debt support. It would identify areas where action at EU level is more appropriate than action at national and regional level, in addition to proposing incentives for Member States' authorities managing structural funds to adopt the use of equity and debt instruments that would be fully consistent with the EU platforms.
			ESER-saldo	In order to be able to monitor better budget deficit there might come an obligation to local authorities to provide information on their ESER-saldo
INTERNAL MARKET				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description

	June		Regulation Internal Market Information system	
PPP				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
	4 th quarter of the year		Follow up of the Public Private Partnership Communication	
MARITIME SPATIAL PLANNING				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/MARE/017	3d quarter of the year		Proposal for a legislative action of the European Parliament and the Council setting a framework for Maritime Spatial Planning.	Ensure that Member States provide a stable, reliable and future-oriented integrated planning framework to optimise the use of marine space to benefit economic development and the marine environment and that in doing so they apply a common approach in order to facilitate cross-border maritime spatial planning. (The type of this initiative - probably a directive - is to be confirmed).
COMPETITION				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/COMP/017	4th quarter of the year		Framework for State aid in the form of public service compensation	Exact scope is to be determined after the impact assessment
2011/COMP/018	4th quarter of the year		Commission Decision 2005/842/EC on the application of Article 106.2 to State aid in the form of public service compensation	Exact scope is to be determined after the impact assessment
SERVICES OF GENERAL INTEREST - SERVICES DIRECTIVE				
Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description

2010/COMP/016	1st quarter of the year		Evaluation report on the application of State Aid rules to SGEI	Evaluation of the application of State Aid rules to SGEI
2010/MARKT/049	18 January		Commission Communication and Report on the results of the implementation of the Services Directive	Follow-up process of mutual evaluation under the Services Directive into a policy document setting out our policy on services for the future.

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT – CONCESSIONS

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2010/INFSO/023	2nd quarter of the year		Proposal for a Council Recommendation to enhance a network and information security through standards and guideline in public procurement.	Council Recommendation to promote the adoption of IT security standards in public procurement.
2010/MARKT/043	16 March		Initiative in the area of concessions	Legal clarity and certainty as to the rules governing award of concessions contracts.
2011/MARKT/004	3d quarter of the year		White-paper on e-procurement	The White Paper will draw conclusions following the consultations on the basis of a Green Paper on e-procurement in 2010.
2011/MARKT/016	27 January		Green Paper on modernisation of public procurement	Launch a wide debate on the possible policy orientations of the reform of public procurement rules, notably concerning use of PP in support of EU2020 objectives and increasing cost-effectiveness of the procedures. Collect feedback from the variety of stakeholders in view of developing the main elements of the future reform.
2011/MARKT/017	4th quarter of the year		Modernisation of EU public procurement legislative framework	Set out possible options for the modernisation of the EU public procurement legislative framework in line with the EU2020 goals, in view of 1. increasing efficiency and cost-effectiveness of public procurement, notably by streamlining procurement procedures; 2. better taking into account the policy objectives set out in the EU2020 Strategy (such as combating climate change, protecting the environment, preventing social exclusion and fostering innovation) in public procurement.

HEALTH

The impact of EU policy initiatives on the local urban agenda – **draft 25/05/2011.**

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/INFSO/008	4th quarter of the year		eHealth Action Plan – make eHealth real for patients, professionals and the economy	Roadmap 2011-15 to lay out targets operational steps towards the wide roll out of interoperable electronic health records, telemedicine services;
2011/SANCO/043	October		Communication on the mid –term evaluation of the Health Program 2008-2013	The Communication presents the main conclusions of an external and independent interim evaluation report on the results obtained in relation with the objectives of the programme and the qualitative and quantitative aspects of its implementation, as well as, its consistency and complementarity with other relevant Community programmes, actions and funds. The report will also contain the remarks of the Commission.

HOUSING

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
COM(2011)142			Voorstel voor een richtlijn van het Europees Parlement en de Raad inzake woningkrediet-overeenkomsten	

CULTURE

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2011/EAC/003	2nd quarter of the year		Commission Communication on unlocking the potential of cultural and creative industries	As a follow-up to the 2010 communication on creative industries, the Commission proposes further action in order to foster at EU level the right environment for Cultural and Creative Industries to flourish and contribute to smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

PERSONAL DATA

Reference	Timing	Legislative?	Name	Description
2010/JUST/279	June		A new comprehensive legal framework for the protection of personal data in the EU	This initiative aims at modernising the existing system for the protection of personal data in all areas of the Union's activities in order to maintain the effective application of the data protection principles, and to improve current data protection legislation, in the light of the challenges of globalisation, new technologies, and requirements of public authorities.

2011/HOME/006	4th quarter of the year		Proposal for a review of the Directive 2006/24/EC (Data Retention)	The evaluation looks at the minimum harmonisation that the Directive ought to bring (period of retention, types of data to retain, categories of crime for which they can be used), the levelling of the playing field for economic operators (reimbursement of costs), and avoiding removal of the distortion of the internal market. Moreover, data protection concerns remain, but relate most of the time to access and use of the retained data that are until now, covered by national law. The cross-border use of retained data is very low.
2011/INFSO/006	4th quarter of the year		Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC	Review of the Directive on reuse of public sector information 2003/98/EC that will address 1) the scope of the instrument, 2) limitations on charges for the re-use of public sector information 3) clarifying the principle that all material that is generally accessible is also re-usable for non-commercial and commercial purposes.