

CALENDRIER du 17 décembre au 06 janvier 2019

NOTA BENE : Congés de Noël de la Commission: 24décembre au 2 janvier 2019 inclus.

(Susceptible de modifications en cours de semaine)

Déplacements et visites

Lundi 17 décembre 2018

EU-Kosovo* Stabilisation and Association Council

EU-Ukraine Association Council

Agriculture and Fisheries Council

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives Mr Volodymyr Groysman, Prime Minister of Ukraine.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** participates in an official dinner of Heads of State or Government ahead of the High-Level Forum Africa-Europe, in Vienna, Austria.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** attends the EU-Ukraine Association Council, in Brussels.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** attends the EU-Kosovo Stabilisation and Association Council, in Brussels.

Mr Andrus **Ansip** in Vienna, Austria (until 18/12): attends [High-level Forum Africa- Europe, Taking cooperation to the digital age](#); and meets Ms Kristalina Georgieva, CEO of the World Bank

Mr Maroš **Šefčovič** receives Mr Volodymyr Groysman, Prime Minister of Ukraine.

Mr Valdis **Dombrovskis** receives Mr Volodymyr Groysman, Prime Minister of Ukraine.

Mr Jyrki **Katainen** receives Mr Rolf Wenzel, Governor of the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB).

Mr Johannes **Hahn** attends the EU-Ukraine Association Council, in Brussels.

Mr Johannes **Hahn** receives Mr Duško Marković, Prime Minister of Montenegro.

Mr Johannes **Hahn** attends the EU-Kosovo Stabilisation and Association Council, in Brussels.

Ms Cecilia **Malmström** receives representatives of the European Steel Association (EUROFER).

Mr Miguel **Arias Cañete** receives representatives of the Confederación Intersindical Galega (CIG).

Mr Miguel **Arias Cañete** receives Mr Costas Kadis, Minister for Environment of Cyprus.

Mr Miguel **Arias Cañete** receives Mr Luis María Beamonte, President of the Partido Popular (PP) of Aragón.

Mr Dimitris **Avramopoulos** in Athens, Greece: attends the award ceremony of the graduates of Polytechnio and Polytechnic Schools.

Ms Marianne **Thyssen** gives a presentation of the European Pillar of Social Rights in front of the Sociaal-Economische Raad van Vlaanderen (Serv-academie), in Brussels.

M. Pierre **Moscovici** à Paris : rencontre Mme Sophie Cluzel, Secrétaire d'État auprès du ministre chargée des Personnes handicapées de la République française.

Ms Violeta **Bulc** delivers a speech at the conference '[Multimodal Sustainable Transport: which role for the internalisation of external costs?](#)', in Brussels.

Ms Violeta **Bulc** receives Mr Michael O'Leary, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Ryanair.

Ms Věra **Jourová** delivers a speech at the 12th Israel-EU High Level Seminar on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Antisemitism, in Brussels.

Mr Tibor **Navracsics** holds a [Citizens' Dialogue](#) on the future of Europe with participants from various Member States, in Brussels.

Mr Carlos **Moedas** receives Mr Antoine Petit, President of the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS).

Mr Carlos **Moedas** hosts a working dinner with the European Commission's [High Level Group of Innovators](#) in Brussels.

Mr Julian **King** delivers a speech at the [American European Community Association \(AECA\)](#) Round-TableConference, in Brussels.

Mr Julian **King** attends the European Political Strategy Centre High Level Dinner ('Strategic Autonomy in the Digital Age'), in Brussels.

Ms Mariya **Gabriel** in Vienna, Austria (until 18/12); delivers an opening statement and attends the working dinner of the [EU – African Union Digital Economy Task Force](#).

Mardi 18 décembre 2018

Agriculture and Fisheries Council

EU-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Council

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** participates in the Political Leaders' Meeting of the High-Level Forum Africa-Europe, in Vienna, Austria.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** delivers a speech at the opening of the High-Level Forum Africa-Europe, in Vienna, Austria.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** meets Mr Nana Akufo-Addo, President of Ghana, in Vienna, Austria.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** holds a joint press conference with Mr Paul Kagame, President of Rwanda, and Mr Sebastian Kurz, Chancellor of Austria, in Vienna, Austria.

Mr Frans **Timmermans** receives the Directors of "The Green 10".

Ms Federica **Mogherini** delivers a speech at the [EU Non-Proliferation And Disarmament Conference](#), in Brussels.

*Ms Federica **Mogherini** attends the EU-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Council, in Brussels.*

Mr Valdis **Dombrovskis** receives Mr Aharon Leshno-Yaar, Ambassador of Israel to the EU and NATO.

Mr Jyrki **Katainen** receives Ms Ana Brnabić, Prime Minister of Serbia.

Mr Johannes **Hahn**, together with Mr Neven Mimica and Mr Phil Hogan, in Vienna, Austria: attends the [Africa-Europe High Level Forum](#).

Mr Karmenu **Vella** meets Mr Marek Gróbarczyk, Minister for Maritime Economy and inland navigation of Poland, in Brussels.

Mr Vytenis **Andriukaitis** receives Ambassador Kazuo Kodam, Head of the Mission of Japan to the European Union.

Mr Tibor **Navracsics** attends and speaks at an information session on European Universities organised for stakeholders by Directorate-General Education, Youth, Sport and Culture.

Mr Tibor **Navracsics** receives Prof.Dr. Alexander Lorz, Education Minister of the German state of Hesse.

Mr Carlos **Moedas** in Paris, France; meets with the EU Heads of Mission to UNESCO; attends a working lunch with Assistant Director-General for Science, Flavia Schlegel, and with Assistant Director General for Education, Stefania Giannini; delivers a keynote speech at the Information Meeting of Synchrotron-Light For Experimental Science and Applications in the Middle East (SESAME); and meets with Ms Audrey Azoulay, UNESCO Director-General.

Ms Mariya **Gabriel** in Vienna, Austria: delivers an opening speech and attends the Official Launch of the EU – African Union Digital Economy Task Force; and attends a “Jobs for the 21st century” roundtable at the [High-Level EU – Africa Forum](#).

Mercredi 19 décembre 2018

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (Energy)

College Meeting

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives Mr Prokopis Pavlopoulos, President of Greece.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker**, together with the College of Commissioners, receives Mr Prokopis Pavlopoulos, President of Greece, for a working lunch.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives the *Friedenslicht aus Betlehem*, in the presence of Mr Thomas Stelzer, *Landeshauptmann* of Upper Austria.

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives Mr Luca Jahier, President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC).

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives Ms Ana Brnabić, Prime Minister of Serbia.

Mr Frans **Timmermans** receives the “Politieke Pluim Prijs” from the Plastic Soup Foundation, in Brussels.

Mr Frans **Timmermans** in Amsterdam, the Netherlands: awards a prize at the Nederlands Olympisch Comité NOC *NSF.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** receives Mr Milo Đukanović, President of Montenegro.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** hosts a meeting with the leaders of the six Western Balkan partner countries.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** receives Mr Averof Neofytou, President of the Democratic Rally party of Cyprus.

Mr Andrus **Ansip** receives Mr Francois Nuyts, CEO of Allegro.

Mr Maroš **Šefčovič** receives Mr Žygimantas Vaičiūnas, Minister for Energy of Lithuania.

Mr Maroš **Šefčovič** receives Ms Alenka Bratušek Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Infrastructure of Slovenia.

Mr Johannes **Hahn** attends the meeting with the leaders of the six Western Balkan partner countries.

Mr Johannes **Hahn** receives Ms Ana Brnabić, Prime Minister of Serbia.

Ms Cecilia **Malmström** receives Ms Ana Brnabić, Prime Minister of Serbia.

Mr Miguel **Arias Cañete** holds bilateral meetings in the margins of the Energy Council: with Ms Kadri Simson, Minister for Energy of Estonia, Mr Kimmo Tiilikainen, Minister for Energy and Environment of Finland, Mr Zygimantas Vaiciunas, Minister for Energy and Environment of Lithuania, Ms Alenka Bratusek, Minister for Energy of Slovenia, Mr Andrea Cioffi, Secretary of State for Energy Infrastructure, of Italy.

Mr Karmenu **Vella** attends the handover of the *Friedenslicht aus Betlehem*, to Mr Jean-Claude **Juncker**, in the presence of Mr Thomas **Stelzer**, *Landeshauptmann of Upper Austria*.

the handover of the Light of Peace of Bethlehem, in Brussels.

Mr Vytenis **Andriukaitis** participates in the Ministerial Conference on Eradication of African swine fever in the EU and the long-term management of the wild boar population, in Brussels.

Ms Elżbieta **Bieńkowska** attends the 15th year anniversary event of the Establishment of the Executive Agency for the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, in Brussels.

Jeudi 20 décembre 2018

Environment Council

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** receives Mr Jean-Louis Guigou, President of the *Institut de prospective économique du monde méditerranéen*.

Ms Federica **Mogherini** attends the EU-Egypt Association Council, in Brussels.

Mr Johannes **Hahn** attends the EU-Egypt Association Council, in Brussels.

Mr Karmenu **Vella** meets Mr Sergio Costa, Minister for Environment of Italy, in Brussels.

Mr Karmenu **Vella** meets Mr Socrates Fanellos, Alternate Minister of Environment and Energy of Greece, in Brussels.

Mr Karmenu **Vella** meets Mr Žygimantas Vaičiūnas, Minister for Energy of Lithuania, in Brussels.

Mr Vytenis **Andriukaitis** receives Ms Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Rural Affairs and the Natural Environment of Scotland.

Mr Christos **Stylianides** in Athens, Greece: attends an exchange of views at a joint parliamentary committee meeting of the Hellenic Parliament on the rescEU proposal to upgrade the Union's Civil Protection Mechanism.

Vendredi 21 décembre 2018

President Jean-Claude **Juncker** delivers a speech at the official closing ceremony of Germany's last coal mine in Bottrop, Germany

Mr Frans **Timmermans** receives Mr Hans Bruyninckx, Executive Director of the European Environmental Agency.

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Vendredi 4 janvier 2019

Mr Karmenu **Vella** in Oslo, Norway: speaks at the [European Green Capital Opening Ceremony](#).

Mr Vytenis **Andriukaitis** in Vilnius, Lithuania: meets Lithuanian farmers.

Samedi 5 janvier 2019

Ms Margrethe **Vestager** in Nyborg Strand, Denmark: delivers a keynote speech at the Social Liberal party's [New Year's seminar](#).

Prévisions du mois de janvier 2019 :

21/01 Eurogroup; Foreign Affairs Council

28/01 Agriculture and Fisheries Council

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Third quarter of 2018 – Euro area job vacancy rate at 2.1% – EU28 rate at 2.2%

The job vacancy rate in the **euro area** (EA19) was 2.1% in the third quarter of 2018, stable compared with the previous quarter and up from 1.9% in the third quarter of 2017, according to figures published by **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In the **EU28**, the job vacancy rate was 2.2% in the third quarter of 2018, stable compared with the previous quarter and up from 2.0% in the third quarter of 2017.

[Full text available on EUROSTAT website](#)

Third quarter of 2018 – Annual growth in labour costs at 2.5% in euro area – At 2.7% in EU28

Hourly labour costs rose by 2.5% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 2.7% in the **EU28** in the third quarter of 2018, compared with the same quarter of the previous year. In the second quarter of 2018, hourly labour costs increased by 2.3% and 2.7% respectively. These figures are published by **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**.

[Full text available on EUROSTAT website](#)

Troisième trimestre 2018 – La croissance annuelle des coûts de la main-d'œuvre à 2,5% dans la zone euro – À 2,7% dans l'UE28

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