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EU law-making update & 2025 review

2025 in review

(approximate values)

134 New legislative initiatives

119 Ordinary Legislative Procedure (OLP)

8 Consultation

7 Approval

10 omnibus simplification packages with 28 proposals

64 Major laws agreed

55 Ordinary Legislative Procedure (OLP)

9 Consultation

~500 Public consultations and calls for evidence for ~275 initiatives

 **8** EU-law making updates for you! (since October)

New public consultations

(Last 7 days / most recent)



- EU aluminium sector – trade measure to ensure sufficient availability of aluminium scrap on the EU market | 19 Dec – 31 Jan
- Eu rules on settlement finality | 18 Dec – 15 Feb
- Revision of the soda ash benchmark value for free allocation of emission allowances for 2025 | 18 Dec – 15 Jan
- Update of the governance of the Energy Union and climate action | 18 Dec – 12 Mar
- EU-Madagascar fisheries agreement and protocol – mandate for negotiations | 18 Dec – 15 Jan
- Eligibility requirements for certain interventions, control rate for hemp varieties, rules on the ratio for GAEC 1 | 17 Dec – 14 Jan
- DA amending CDR on buyback programs and indicators of market manipulation | 17 Dec – 14 Jan
- Integrated farm statistics for the period 2030-2039 | 17 Dec – 25 Mar
- EU rules on administrative cooperation - recast | 16 Dec – 10 Feb
- Batteries – definition of labelling requirements | 15 Dec – 26 Jan
- Revision of EU rules on sustainable finance disclosure | 15 Dec – 15 Feb
- Review of the Securitisation Framework | 15 Dec – 09 Feb
- Amendment of the Renewable Energy Directive: revising the values and modifying the methodology laid down in Annexes V-VI | 15 Dec – 26 Jan
- Savings and Investments Union: Regulation fostering EU market integration and efficient supervision | 15 Dec – 15 Feb
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- Non-exhaustive list of final events in protracted processes and other situations impacting inside information treatment | 15 Dec – 12 Jan
- Revision of EU rules to protect the marine environment | 15 Dec – 09 Mar

New legislative proposals



- Simplifying and reducing the burden of the rules on medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices, and support of the European Medicines Agency for the expert panels on medical devices and the list of Union harmonisation legislation | 16 Dec
- Placing on the market of genetically modified micro-organisms and the processing of organs | 16 Dec
- European Biotech Act | 16 Dec
- Amendments to Biocidal Products Regulation as regards the extension of certain data protection periods | 16 Dec
- Simplification and strengthening of food and feed safety requirements | 16 Dec
- Amending certain production, labelling and certification rules and certain rules on trade with third countries | 16 Dec
- CO2 emission performance standards for new light duty vehicles and vehicle labelling | 16 Dec
- Clean corporate vehicles | 16 Dec
- Calculation of emission credits for heavy-duty vehicles for the reporting periods of the years 2025 to 2029 | 16 Dec
- Exemption of certain N2 electric vehicles from the requirement to install and use a speed limitation device | 16 Dec
- Establishing the Temporary Decarbonisation Fund | 17 Dec
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism: extension of its scope to downstream goods and anti-circumvention measures | 17 Dec
- Empowering Austria to amend its existing bilateral road transport agreement with Switzerland with a view to authorising cabotage operations in the course of the provision of international road passenger transport services by coach and bus in the border regions between the two countries | 18 Dec

Council General Approach



- Connecting Europe Facility 2028–2034 | 15 Dec
- Legal tender of euro banknotes and coins | 19 Dec
- Provision of digital euro services by payment services providers incorporated in Member States whose currency is not the euro | 19 Dec
- Establishment of the digital euro | 19 Dec
- Prudential requirements for credit institutions as regards requirements for securitisation exposures | 19 Dec
- Amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2402 for securitisation and creating a specific framework for simple, transparent and standardised securitisation | 19 Dec

Parliament decisions



- Corporate sustainability reporting and due diligence requirements | 16 Dec
- Incentivising defence-related investments in the EU budget to implement the ReArm Europe Plan | 16 Dec
- Amending certain CAP Regulations as regards the conditionality system, types of intervention in the form of direct payment, types of intervention in certain sectors and rural development and annual performance reports, data and interoperability governance, suspensions of payments annual performance clearance and controls and penalties | 16 Dec
- Providing macro-financial assistance to Jordan | 16 Dec
- Brexit Adjustment Reserve | 16 Dec
- Bilateral safeguard clause of the EU-Mercosur Partnership Agreement and the EU-Mercosur Interim Trade Agreement for agricultural products | 16 Dec
- Phasing out Russian natural gas imports and improving monitoring of potential energy dependencies | 17 Dec
- Deforestation Regulation: certain obligations of operators and traders | 17 Dec

Council approvals

- No new decisions

Recently published laws



- Statistics on population and housing | 12 Dec
- General Data Protection Regulation: additional procedural rules relating to the enforcement of the Regulation | 12 Dec
- Safety of toys and repealing Directive 2009/48/EC | 12 Dec
- Common data platform on chemicals, establishing a monitoring and outlook framework for chemicals | 12 Dec
- Re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks to the European Chemicals Agency | 12 Dec

Upcoming application dates



- Framework of measures for strengthening Europe's net-zero technology products manufacturing ecosystem (Net Zero Industry Act) | 30 Dec (Article 49.4)
- Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA) | 31 Dec (Article 107, 108)
- Deployment of alternative fuels infrastructure | 31 Dec (Article 3, 4, 14.11)
- Digital finance: Markets in Crypto-assets (MiCA) | 31 Dec (Article 141)
- Establishing the Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform ('STEP') | 31 Dec (Article 8.1)
- European Defence Industry Reinforcement through common Procurement Act (EDIRPA) | 31 Dec (Article 1)
- Public sector loan facility under the Just Transition Mechanism | 31 Dec (Article 7.2)
- Sustainable maritime fuels (FuelEU Maritime Initiative) | 31 Dec (Article 2.2)
- Type-approval of motor vehicles and engines with respect to their emissions and battery durability (Euro 7) | 31 Dec (Article 18.3)
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism | 01 Jan (Article 36.2(b))
- Conservation, management and control measures applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries | 01 Jan (Article 58)
- Faster and Safer Relief of Excess Withholding Taxes | 01 Jan (Article 20.1)
- Fluorinated gases regulation | 01 Jan (Article 31.1)
- Labour market statistics on businesses | 01 Jan (Article 15)
- Ozone depleting substances | 01 Jan (Article 27.1)
- Public sector loan facility under the Just Transition Mechanism | 01 Jan (Article 7.3)
- Scope of rules for benchmarks, use in the Union of benchmarks provided by an administrator located in a third country, and certain reporting requirements | 01 Jan (Article 2)
- Shipments of waste | 01 Jan (Article 86.3(e))
- Transparency and integrity of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) rating activities | 02 Jan (Article 42.2)
- New Regulation on Construction Products | 08 Jan (Article 96)
- Digital finance: Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA) | 17 Jan (Article 58.3)
- Settlement discipline, cross-border provision of services, supervisory cooperation, provision of banking-type ancillary services and requirements for third-country central securities depositories | 17 Jan (Article 3)

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