

ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2020

(This version of the CEEP Work Programme will be reviewed in early 2020, after the publication of the Commission Work Programme for 2020. This document focuses on highlighting the already-identified key priorities).

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Position CEEP vis-à-vis new European Commission and the over-arching issues:

- Ensure that CEEP's voice is heard in the upcoming Conference on the Future of Europe, which will start in 2020 (Commission Concept Paper to be presented on 17/12/2019)
- Ensure that CEEP's seat in the REFIT Platform (to be taken over by European Commission VP Maroš Šefčovič) is maintained

Position CEEP vis-à-vis new Council President :

• Building up on the constructive experience and relationship built with President Tusk (Council President between 2014 and 2019), engage with Charles Michel, new Council President, early in the mandate

Continue positioning within the new European Parliament:

• Use the full-range of tools available by the intergroup on Public Services and Services of general interest to increase CEEP's outreach within the European Parliament – going beyond the lobbying of key MEPs and (shadow-)rapporteurs of our key files

Public Services and SGIs fit for the Digital age

The new European Commission has already highlighted several upcoming initiatives to support the digitalization of the EU, with a new Digital Service Act to be put forward. In that context CEEP will:

- Continue the reflection on how digitalization affects SGIs provision and workforce management
- Start focusing on the development of Artificial Intelligence within SGIs
- Monitor closely the final decision process of the data set via the Implementing act of the PSI Directive
- Seek EU funding to develop a digitalisation planning tool

Position CEEP on the upcoming EU long-term strategy for Europe's industrial future (expected on 04/03/2020)

Co-led by European Commission Executive VPs Margrethe Vestager and Valdis Dombrovskis, a new long-term strategy for Europe's industrial future will be presented. In that context, CEEP will reflect on the place of public services and services of general interest in this strategy, focusing more specifically on:

- The role of public services and services of general interest as backbone of the EU industry, especially in the face of digitalization and decarbonisation
- All aspects of industry and its competitiveness, from investment and public procurement to trade, skills and R&D
- Distortive effects of foreign trade ownership and subsidies in the internal market
- Simplification and lift of administrative burden

Increase CEEP representativity (membership recruitment)

- Eurofound will start in 2020 a representativity study of the cross-sectoral Social Partners.
- Reinforce the presence of CEEP members in the Employers' Group of the European Economic and Social Committee for the 2020-2025 EESC mandate



Reinforce representation within existing National sections (membership retention)

• Enlarge the scope of our membership, including big and small organisations, active at both national, regional and local levels, and representing hard and soft infrastructures

Further strengthen CEEP communication strategy

- Revamp and modernize the CEEP corporate image and increase the alignment between the image of CEEP in Brussels and in National Sections
- Set up a network of communications correspondents, to plan and develop a more coordinated approach to CEEP communications, including better relaying within National Sections
- Goal is the ultimately move from reactive approach to a proactive communication strategy

CEEP CSR Label

• Launch the 2020 edition and strive for increased sectoral and geographical participation by CEEP member enterprises and beyond

MEETINGS AND IMPORTANT DATES

Statutory meetings:

- 3 June 2020
- 15 December 2020 (TBC)

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• 14 or 16 December 2020 (TBC)



PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD	SOCIAL AFFAIRS BOARD	SUSTAINABILITY BOARD		
Developing work on sustainable public procurement	EU Social Partners' Work Programme 2019-21 and	European Green Deal (expected on 11/12/2019)		
Supervising the completed transposition and	integrated projects on six prioritized issues:	 Continuing and intensifying the activities on climate 		
implementation of Directive 2014/24/EU at Member	 Digitalisation, negotiation of a new autonomous 	change in the context of the EU Green Deal.		
State level	framework agreement considering the challenges of	After the publication of CEEP's Opinion on Climate in May		
Contributing to public debate on the directive's impact	public services and SGIs employers and providers.	2019, the Board remains that Ursula's von der Leyen		
on the evolution of public procurement practices and	Improving the performance of labour markets and social	European Green Deal project can only be a part of a truly		
mentalities (spreading best practices and socio-	systems, continuation of the new dedicated working	sustainable development strategy by following these		
environmental criteria, fostering links between	group of social partners to reinforce the input in the	three pillars that lie at the heart of CEEP member's		
responsible public procurement and Circular Economy)	European Semester (special meetings already took place	action:		
Stimulating reflexion on the use of the EU public	on NEETS and Active labour market policies)	 The Economic Dimension 		
procurement regulatory framework as a strategic policy	 Addressing psycho-social aspects and risks at work, a 	 The Environmental dimension (Mitigation and 		
tool and on its potential to stimulate or maintain social,	seminar will be organised on psycho-social risks and be	Adaptation)		
environmental or industrial policy goals or key values	follow by possible joint conclusions/ actions	 The Social dimension 		
	Skills, new project on skills and innovation also covering	Activities will focus first on the very first European		
Updating the Panorama on Local Public Services	the question of access to training in the EU.	Climate Law, to be presented within the first 100 days of		
Enterprises (LPSE)	Circular economy, covering the transformations our	the European Commission. For that reason, it will be		
• Developing a specific focus on the Management of LSPE	member enterprises face both in terms of production	crucial to ensure legislations from different sectors are in		
Sharing if best practices and benchmarking on	processes and job profiles.	line with its demands and do not conflict with previous		
management models and modernization practices	Capacity-building for a stronger social dialogue,	existing policies.		
	continuation of the cycle of capacity building projects			
Entering the EU SME strategy (expected on 04/03/2020)	covering eastern and central Member States and	Sustainable Transition 2020		
Positioning of CEEP in the work on the upcoming SME	candidate countries.	Follow and contribute to the developments of a fair and		
Strategy, to be co-led by European Commission		more targeted EU sustainable action plan by addressing:		
Executive VPs Vestager and Dombrovskis	Legislative agenda of the European Commission	 Taxonomy investment plan 		
Ensuring the recognition of local public services	Follow-up on the new Commission's initiative in the	 Just Transition Fund of the EU Green Deal 		
enterprises as SMEs in this context	fields of social affairs	(expected on 08/01/2020)		
	 Follow-up and lobby on the future action plan to 	 Second Circular Economy Plan (expected on 		
Continuation of CEEP activities on the EU legal definition of	implement the EU Pillar of Social rights (Roadmap on	04/03/2020)		
Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs)	Social Europe on 14/01/2020)	The role of Public Services and SGIs in the development		
• Supervising possible initiatives within the EP, the	Active contribution to the new Commission initiative for	of a sustainable business model is a vital aspect. The		
Commission and other institutions and agencies (CoR,	a framework for fair minimum wages (consultations of	Board intends to put SGIs at the front of the conversation		
EESC), identifying possible contacts or partners in	social partners foreseen, to be launched on 14/01/2020)	on identifying sustainable activities, and better channel		
responsible Commissioner's office – Executive VP	Follow-up of the initiative on improving the labour	capital flows towards more sustainable investments.		
Margrethe Vestager and Thierry Breton	conditions of platform workers			



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Identifying relevant programmes and public policies	Follow-up of any new relevant initiative under the	In this context, the Board will continue to strengthen the
possibly open to LPSEs and respectively their successors	supervision of Commissioner Schmit	link between SGIs and modern sustainable solutions for
under the future Commission (Horizon 2020, COSME,		all European citizens and will continue to base its
etc.)	Establishment of a new Equality taskforce and elaboration	discussions on the three main pillars:
• In the medium term, preparing the ground for reform	of its 2020 work programme with a specific focus on the	 Investment
through the new institutional setup (European	issue of wage transparency as a directive is foreseen:	 Inclusion
Commission / European Parliament, including EP	• Follow-up of the initiative binding pay transparency	o Resilience
Intergroup on SMEs, if re-established)	announced by the European Commission (expected on	
	26/02/2020)	Meetings
Management of State Assets	• Follow-up of new EU Gender Equality Strategy, following	
• Supervising any future initiative based on the study	up the 2016-2019 Gender Equality Strategy	• 18 February 2020
realised by the Commission on behalf of the Parliament,	Follow-up of the revival of the Women on Boards	 12-13 October 2020 (TBC)
within the EP, the Commission and other institutions	Directive	
and agencies (CoR, EESC)		
	Meetings	
Meetings	Social Affairs Board:	
23 April 2020 in Paris	 4 February 2020 	
• 10 November 2020 in Brussels	 16 June 2020 	
	 28 September 2020 	
	Social Dialogue Committee:	
	• 5 February 2020	
	• 17 June 2020	
	 29 September 2020 	
	Annual Growth Survey:	
	30 September 2020 – consultation hearing ahead AGS	
PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD	SOCIAL AFFAIRS BOARD	SUSTAINABILITY BOARD



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SGI & Stat TF	Internal Market TF	Macro-economic TF	Social Protection TF	Communications TF	Energy TF	Environment TF	Transport TF	Water TF
Permanent monitoring of trade	Close monitoring of and lead	Continue the active follow-up	Constant monitoring of the	Active input on	Following	Continue the	Following	Contribution to
policy and its impact on public	on CEEP reaction on possible	of the European Semester,	policies developed and	the Digital	closely the	active work on	actively the	the Climate
services and SGIs	review of Europe's	(Macroeconomic Dialogue, the	implemented by the European	Service Act,	Emission	a sustainable	discussions on	Law
	Competition rules in general	Country Reports, the Country	insurance and occupational	and the shift	Trading System	waste	Sustainable	
	and any upcoming review of	Specific Recommendations and	pensions authority (EIOPA)	from a market-	 realignment 	management	Transport as a	Enhance
	the EU State Aid regulatory	the Annual Growth Survey)		focused to a	of the ETS	in the	s afe and	climate
	framework in particular		Follow-up on the paper of	citizen-focused	Directive and	framework of	affordable-	adaptation
	(Single Market Action Plan	Follow-up the work of new	high-level expert group on	approach in	the Clean	the Circular	strategy for	plans and
	scheduled on 08/03/2020)	ECB's President, Christine	Pensions, and upcoming	digital	Energy Package	Economy	sustainable and	follow up
		Lagarde, who has shown	activities of the European	policymaking	and ensure an	Action Plan	smart mobility	closely the new
	Permanent monitoring of VAT	intentions to improve the	Commission on the basis of its		efficient and	2030 and		renewable
	policy and input to the work of	institution's communication	recommendations	Monitoring	predictable	support a	Contributing to	energy plans
	the Communications TF on	approach, which can be		closely the	carbon prizing	direct	the Green Deal,	
	Digital Taxation	extremely fruitful for Social	Regular Input to CEEP's	Digital		involvement of	on the Ex-	Active
	-	Dialogue in the future	representative in the	Taxation	Active input on	the waste	tension of the	collaboration
			Commission's high-level expert	programme	the Energy	management	Emissions	on Circular
		Continue to monitor main	group on Pensions	that will serve	Efficiency and	service,	Trading System	Economy
		macroeconomic-related topics		EU citizens,	Renewables	providing	and global	Package on
		at the European agenda, giving	Follow-up the implementation	industries and	Targets	Active	emission	Water Issues
		special attention to highly	of the regulation on Pan	our	medium and	collaboration	reduction in	Protection of
		anticipated proposals such as	European pension products	environment	long-term	work on the	the Transport	high quality
		the European Unemployment	(PEPP)	alike	strategies	topic of the	Sector	and clean
		Benefit Reinsurance Scheme	()			second Circular		water supply in
		and Minimum Wage	Follow-up and input on CEEP's	Policies that	Regular work	Economy Plan	Contributing to	the context of
		and minimum rouge	messages in the context of the	support the	on the Future	on Waste	the Digital	farming and
		Monitor investment in Public	Social Protection Committee of	everyday use	of Gas, with an	Issues	agenda:	pharmacy
		Services, tracking best	the EPSCO council including	of green	all-inclusive	135465	Cooperative,	policies
		practices and seeking to assess	input to then Pension adequacy	energy easily	approach to		connected and	policies
		its efficiency both at the	and pension sustainability	through	develop a	Active	automated	Active work on
		European and national levels.	reports	digitalisation	sustainable	contribution on	mobility	the Zero-
		In this context, pay close	reports	ugitalisation	electricity and	the Climate	(CCAM)	Pollution
		attention to the potential	Regular work on the	ow subjects on	gas market	Law, in	integrate public	ambition
		launch of the "InvestEU	implementation of chapter III	ow subjects on	gasmarket	particular on		Support a
				R&D and		the	transport	
		programme" and the	of the Pillar of social rights on social protection and inclusion	investments in	Follow-up on	development	operators	sufficient water
		"Sustainable Europe	social protection and inclusion		the discussions	on Clean Air	directly in the	action plan for
		Investment Plan" (expected on	In an an another with CEED's	new	on Energy	legislation	discussions of	chemicals in
	08/01/2020)	In cooperation with CEEP's	technologies	Consumers and	(expected on	digitalisation	water supply	
		Macroeconomic taskforce,		Communities	26/02/2020)	and	and creating a	
		Keep track of the	work on the future proposal for	Better	enhance the		automation in	strong link to
	macroeconomic impacts	a European Unemployment	Infrastructures	role of local	Contributing to	the transport	the Urban	
	triggered by the	Benefit Reinsurance Scheme	for public	actors and	-	sector	Water Waste	
	implementation of new		services and	promote new	the Zero- Pollution		Treatment	
	policies, particularly those	Monitoring of the	SGIs	decarbonisation		Active work on	Directive	
		targeting the Commission's	developments regarding ESG		technologies	Ambitions	the	
		main priorities such as climate	for IORP	Harmonised EU		handle the use	acknowledgem	Coordinate the
		neutrality and digitalization		frameworks		of	ent of the	policy work on
				Greater EU		pharmaceutical	difference	Biodiversity
				collaboration	Active work on	s and chemicals	between urban	2030 , in link
					the Energy	responsibly	and long-	with the Water



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				for IoT and 5G	Taxation		distance traffic	Framework
				developments	Directive	Contribute to	(also in	Directive
					to include the	the Sustain-	connection	
				Contribute to	most	ability Board	with passenger	Contribute to
				the Sustain-	vulnerable	activities on	rights)	the Sustain-
				ability Board	players and	the EU Green		ability Board
				activities on	support the	Deal	Following up	activities on
				the EU Green	goal to become		the	the EU Green
				Deal	the first climate		transposition	Deal
					neutral		phase on Open	
					continent		Data and PSI-	
							Directive	
					Monitoring the		creating a level	
					Carbon Border		playing field for	
					Adjustment		public and	
					to ensure a just		private entities	
					transition for			
					all EU citizens		Active work on	
							Mobility as a	
					Active		service	
					contribution on		(MMAS), open	
					the issues of a		data and	
					Just Energy		ticketing	
					Transition		Bottom-up EU-	
							wide system	
1					Contribute to		approach on	
					the Sustain-		innovative	
					ability Board		solutions for	
					activities on		multi-modal	
					the EU Green Deal		systems	
Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings	Meetings
The SGIs Task Force will meet in	The Internal Market Task Force			March TBC	23 January	17 March	27 March	17 March
the framework of the PSB,	will meet in the framework of			June TBC	28 May	25 June	25 May	25 June
unless the need for additional	the PSB, unless the need for			November TBC	15 October	17 November	9 October	17 November
ad hoc meetings arise in the	additional ad hoc meetings			NOVELIDEL LBC	15 October	TT NOVEILIDEL	9 October	TT NOVEILIDEL
course of the year.	arise in the course of the year.							
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