

**COMMISSION FOR TERRITORIAL COHESION POLICY ONGOING WORK PROGRAMME
(SEPTEMBER 2020-DECEMBER 2020)**

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<p>Opinion on the Renewal of the Leipzig Charter on Sustainable European Cities</p> <p>Own-initiative opinion</p> <p>Rapporteur: Juan ESPADAS CEJAS (ES/PES)</p> <p>COTER-VII/001</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(ii)</p>	<p>New Leipzig Charter to be adopted during the upcoming German Presidency of the Council (2nd half of 2020)</p>		Adoption				

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<p>Opinion on Challenges for public transport in cities and metropolitan regions</p> <p>Own-initiative opinion</p> <p>Rapporteur: Adam STRUZIŁ (PL/EPP)</p> <p>COR-2020-02613-00-00-DT-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/003</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(ii)</p>		<p>Adopted unanimously</p>			<p>Adoption</p>		
<p>Opinion on Equivalent standards of living as a joint challenge for all levels of government in Europe</p> <p>Own-initiative opinion</p> <p>Rapporteur: Bernd LANGE (DE/EPP)</p> <p>COR-2020-02612-00-01-PAC-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/004</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(ii)</p>			<p>Adoption</p>				

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<p>Opinion on Cross-border public services (CPS) in Europe</p> <p>Own-initiative opinion</p> <p>Rapporteur: Pavel BRANDA (CZ/ECR)</p> <p>COR-2020-2615-00-00-PA-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/005</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(ii)</p>		<p>An Exchange of views took place</p>		<p>First discussion and adoption</p>		<p>Adoption</p>	
<p>Opinion on European Year of Rail 2021</p> <p>Rapporteur: Jaroslav Piotr STAWIARSKI (PL/ECR)</p> <p>COR-2020-2633-00-01-PAC-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/006</p>	<p>Mandatory Rule 41(a)</p>	<p>COM(2020) 78 final</p>		<p>Adoption</p>				

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<p>Opinion on the European Commission report on the implementation the renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions</p> <p>Rapporteur: Angel Victor TORRES PEREZ (ES/PES)</p> <p>COR-2020-3319-00-00-PA-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/007</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(i)</p>	<p>COM(2020) 104 final</p>	<p>Adopted unanimously</p>			<p>Adoption</p>		
<p>Opinion on REACT-EU package</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mieczyslaw STRUK (PL/EPP)</p> <p>COR-2020-3318-00-00-PAC-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/008</p>	<p>Mandatory</p> <p>Rule 41(a)</p>	<p>COM(2020) 447 final</p> <p>COM(2020) 450 final</p> <p>COM(2020) 451 final</p> <p>COM(2020) 452 final</p>	<p>A General exploratory debate took place</p>	<p>Adoption</p>				

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<p>Opinion on The role of the EU's cohesion policy with respect to intelligent and innovative economic change in the regions against the backdrop of the coronavirus crisis</p> <p>German Presidency referral</p> <p>Rapporteur: Michiel RIJSBERMAN (NL/ALDE)</p> <p>COR-2020-3320-00-00-PA-TRA</p> <p>COTER-VII/009</p>	<p>Article 307(4) TFEU</p> <p>Rule 41(b)(i)</p>	<p>Referral letter of the German Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs dated 28 May 2020</p>	<p>Adopted unanimously</p>	<p>Adoption</p>				
<p>Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL empowering France to negotiate an agreement supplementing its existing bilateral Treaty with the United Kingdom concerning the construction and operation by private concessionaires of a Channel Fixed Link - COM(2020) 622 final</p>	<p>Mandatory Rule 41(a)</p>	<p>COM(2020) 622 final</p>	<p>The COTER Commission decided not to issue an opinion (Rule 67(1))</p>					

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Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive (EU) 2016/798, as regards the application of railway safety and interoperability rules within the Channel Fixed Link - COM(2020) 623 final	Mandatory Rule 41(a)	COM(2020) 623	The COTER Commission decided not to issue an opinion (Rule 67(1))					

The secretariat suggests no further action on the following dossiers which have been attributed to the COTER commission by the CoR president:

<i>7th TERM OF OFFICE – COMMISSION FOR TERRITORIAL COHESION POLICY AND EU BUDGET (COTER)</i>		
EC document No/Date of consultation	Titles	Comments by the secretariat
COM(2020) 446 final 23/06/2020	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Council Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 1311/2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020	Sent to the CoR for information (special budgetary procedure pursuant to Art. 311(3) TFEU).
COM(2020) 445 final 23/06/2020	Amended proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the system of Own Resources of the European Union	Sent to the CoR for information (special budgetary procedure pursuant to Art. 311(3) TFEU).
COM(2020) 300 final 28/07/2020	DRAFT Union's annual budget for the financial year 2021 - General Introduction - General statement of expenditure - General statement of revenue - Statement of revenue and expenditure by section	For information. The COTER secretariat suggests no further action on this file, given the limited added value of separate opinions/resolutions on annual EU budgets. However, given that, contrary to the calls of the European Parliament and the CoR for a contingency plan to avoid possible interruption of programmes in case of late adoption of the MFF, the draft budget appears not to take into consideration further possible delays in the MFF negotiations, it is recommended that the budgetary procedure be closely monitored by the COTER secretariat. A decision on any further action can be taken at a later stage, as appropriate.
COM(2020) 433 final 26/08/2020	Report from the European Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the European Committee of the Regions – Progress Report on implementation of the TEN-T network in 2016-2017	This progress report will be covered by the ongoing review by the European Commission of the TEN-T network, the results of which are due to be published by the end of 2020 and inform a legislative proposal for a revision of the TEN-T Regulation in 2021.

Cut-off date: 28 August 2020