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Expertise for Better Law-Making



Effective legislation depends on high-quality expertise governed by rigorous standards of excellence. Our Policy Department is organising an international workshop allowing collaborators of the EP's research services to enter into dialogue with their counterparts in research/policy advice services from other European Institutions, national parliaments and IGOs such as UNESCO.

The workshop will be organised around four thematic panels: 1) Managing Internal and External Expertise; 2) Quality Assurance; 3) Impact, Dissemination and Visibility of Expertise; and 4) Current Priorities of Culture and Education Policies.

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UPCOMING

Presentations

REGI ["European Economic Governance and Cohesion Policy"](#)

Room JAN 4Q2
11 February 2014, 09.30

PECH ["Inland Fisheries and the CFP"](#)

Room ASP 1G3
11 February 2014, 10.30

PECH ["The CFP - Infringements procedures and imposed sanctions throughout the EU"](#)

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PECH ["The use of FADs in tuna fisheries"](#)

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Workshop

CULT ["Expertise for Better Law-Making"](#)

Room ASP 1E2
13 February 14:00-18:30
14 February 09:00-13:00

CULT: Culture and Education



Outlook of Primary Teacher Training in Europe

The universally subscribed goal that by 2015 all children have access to complete free and compulsory primary education of good quality can only be achieved if children can have access to motivated and knowledgeable teachers. Teachers are crucial for achieving educational objectives. A study for the CULT Committee, due in April, aims at examining the state of primary teacher training in Europe.

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AGRI: Agriculture and Rural Development



Possible Effects On EU Land Markets Of Direct Payments

Direct payments were introduced as the central element of the 2003 Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) reform and are implemented in different models. The recent 2013 CAP reform has changed both the implementation of direct payments and their budget. This study assesses the possible effects of this reform on EU land markets and the extent to which direct payments are capitalized in land prices. It is now available in French.

Note:  

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PECH: Fisheries



The CFP - Infringement Procedures and Imposed Sanctions in the EU

Under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), infringement procedures and imposed sanctions differ across the EU. This briefing note identifies potential risks in the ways different Member States follow-up on infringements, thus undermining compliance of CFP rules. The note also makes recommendations about how to promote a level playing field in the EU. It will be presented in the PECH Committee meeting of 11 February.

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REGI: Regional and Cohesion Policy



Assessment of Multilevel Governance in Cohesion policy

One key element of cohesion policy is its complex multilevel governance system, to be strengthened by the new "Code of Conduct" and the Partnership Agreements currently under negotiation. A new study identifies advantages and disadvantages of partnership practices, covering all phases of the cohesion policy cycle. It concludes with a structured assessment and provides recommendations for efficient and effective policy implementation.

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TRAN : Transport and Tourism



Impacts of Biofuels on Transport and Agriculture

At the request of the TRAN Committee, the Joint Research Centre has been carrying out an extensive study on the impact of biofuels on transport and agriculture. This study covers a wide range of complex issues such as the impacts of biofuels on agricultural markets and on the environment (including greenhouse gas emissions). Its findings will be presented by the end of March. The final version of the study will be released at the start of the new parliamentary term.

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