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**Dear all,**

In this year's first edition of EUREL's Brussels-Newsletter You will find information on current EU legislative procedures, roadmaps and public consultations as well as calls for proposals for EU-funded projects.

In particular, we would like to draw your attention to the [new legislative procedure on conformity and EU harmonisation regulations](#).

A comprehensive list of all other relevant open calls can be found on [EUREL's EU-Radar](#).

The final section "Last but not least" points to the European Parliament's comprehensive briefing on the current cybersecurity package. In addition, the European Commission is working on a "cybersecurity atlas" asking for the input of relevant competence centres **until 15 February**. The Commission also provides comprehensive information material on the EU-wide General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which will enter into force in May 2018.

In case you have queries or need more detailed information concerning a specific subject, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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## Current Legislative Procedures

### Cybersecurity

#### European strategy on cooperative intelligent transport systems (Initiative Report – INI)

Forecast      20.02.2018: Vote scheduled in committee  
 Status quo    Awaiting TRAN committee decision  
 Categories    Transport policy in general; **IoT**

#### EU Cybersecurity Agency (ENISA) and information and communication technology cybersecurity certification (Cybersecurity Act) (Regulation – REG)

Forecast      27.02.2018: Deadline for amendments in ITRE committee  
 Status quo    Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories    **Information and communication technologies; Cybersecurity, cyberspace policy;** International information networks and society, **internet**

#### Respect for private life and the protection of personal data in electronic communications (REG)

Forecast      n.a.  
 Status quo    Awaiting Parliament 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
 Categories    Protection of **privacy** and **data protection;** **Electronic and mobile communications,** personal communications

### Energy

#### Accelerating clean energy innovation (INI)

Forecast      06.02.2018: Vote in plenary scheduled  
 Status quo    Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories    Innovation; **Energy policy;** Alternative and **renewable energies**

[Common rules for the internal market in electricity. Recast. \(DIR – Directive\)](#)

Forecast 21.02.2018: Vote in ITRE  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories Gas, **electricity**, natural gas, biogas; **Security of energy supply**

[Internal Market for Electricity. Recast. \(REG\)](#)

Forecast 21.02.2018: Vote in ITRE  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories Gas, **electricity**, natural gas, biogas; **Trans-European energy networks**

[Risk-preparedness in the electricity sector \(REG\)](#)

Forecast 21.02.2018: Vote in ITRE  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories Gas, **electricity**, natural gas, biogas; **Security of energy supply**

[Energy performance of buildings \(DIR\)](#)

Forecast 16.04.2018: Indicative plenary sitting date  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories Building industry; **Energy efficiency**

[Energy efficiency \(DIR\)](#)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision; [Draft report available](#)  
 Categories **Energy efficiency**

[Governance of the Energy Union \(REG\)](#)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting Parliament 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
 Categories **Energy policy**

[Promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources. Recast. \(REG\)](#)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting Parliament 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
 Categories **Alternative and renewable energies**

[Regulation on the notification to the Commission of investment projects in energy infrastructure within the EU. Repeal. \(REG\)](#)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting ITRE committee decision  
 Categories **Energy policy**

**ICT**

[European strategy on cooperative intelligent transport systems \(INI\)](#)

[EU Cybersecurity Agency \(ENISA\) and information and communication technology cybersecurity certification \(Cybersecurity Act\) \(REG\)](#)

[Three-dimensional printing, a challenge in the fields of intellectual property rights and civil liability \(INI\)](#)

Forecast 16.04.2018: Indicative plenary sitting date  
 Status quo Awaiting JURI committee decision  
 Categories **New technologies**, biotechnology; **Intellectual property, copyright; Consumers'** economic and legal interests

[Respect for private life and the protection of personal data in electronic communications \(REG\)](#)

#### Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communication (REG)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting Parliament 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
 Categories **Electronic and mobile communications**, personal communications; **Information and communication technologies**; Agencies and bodies of the EU

#### European Electronic Communication Code. Recast. (DIR)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Awaiting Parliament 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
 Categories **Electronic and mobile communications**, personal communications; **Information and communication technologies**

### Industry

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### Living

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### Mobility

European strategy on cooperative intelligent transport systems (INI)

### Standards

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#### Compliance with and enforcement of Union harmonisation legislation on products (REG)

Forecast n.a.  
 Status quo Preparatory phase in Parliament  
 Categories **Standardisation, EC/EU standards and trade mark, certification**, compliance; **Safety of products and services, product liability**

#### Consumer product safety (REG)

Forecast n.a.; [Discussion in Council continues](#)  
 Status quo Awaiting Council 1<sup>st</sup> reading position / budgetary conciliation convocation  
 Categories **Standardisation, EC/EU standards and trade mark, certification**, compliance; **Safety of products and services, product liability**; Export/import control, trade defence; Union Customs Code, tariffs, preferential arrangements, **rules of origin**

#### Market surveillance of products (REG)

Forecast n.a.; [Discussion in Council continues](#)  
 Status quo Awaiting Council 1<sup>st</sup> reading position / budgetary conciliation convocation  
 Categories **Standardisation, EC/EU standards and trade mark, certification**, compliance; **Consumers' protection in general; Safety of products and services, product liability**; Export/import control, trade defence

## Testing

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Consumer product safety (REG)

Market surveillance of products (REG)

## Roadmaps and Public Consultations

Public Consultation on EU funds in the area of strategic infrastructure

Focus: Energy, Digitalisation | different departments | Deadline: 08.03.2018

All relevant roadmaps and public consultations of the European Commission are available on EUREL's EU Radar.

## Calls for funding for EU projects

The application for the following H2020-calls for funding is now possible.

Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies for SMEs | Deadline: 15.05.2018

Enabling Next-generation of Smart Energy Services Valorising Energy Efficiency and Flexibility at Demand-side as Energy Resource | Deadline: 04.09.2018

New Energy Label Driving and Boosting Innovation in Products Energy Efficiency | Deadline: 04.09.2018

Next-generation of Energy Performance Assessment and Certification | Deadline: 04.09.2018

A comprehensive list of open calls for funding can be found on EUREL's EU Radar.

## Events

06.02.2018    [The Implications of Blockchain Platforms](#)  
Event by Bruegel in Brussels | [Registration](#) | also [Live-Streaming](#) available

08.02.2018    [Smart Grids Studies – Lighthouse Projects and Deployment](#)  
Workshop by DG GROW in Brussels | [Registration](#)

13.02.2018    [Cybersecurity Act – Establishing the Link Between Standardization and Certification](#)  
Conference by CEN-CENELEC in Brussels | [Registration](#)

- 20.02.2018 [Grids Meet Renewables](#)  
Conference by Renewables Grid Initiative in Brussels | [Registration](#)
- 22.02.2018 [Transitioning to Renewables: What Role for Biomass?](#)  
Workshop by Euractiv in Brussels | [Registration by email](#)
- 27.02.2018 [Integration of Renewable Energies in Europe: What's next?](#)  
Panel discussion by VDE and Hanns Seidel Foundation in Brussels | [Registration](#)
19. - 20.03.2018 [AI Summit 2018: Innovation & Governance](#)  
High-level conference by Politico in Brussels | [Registration \(fee-based\)](#)

## Last but not least

### European Parliament's Briefing on Cybersecurity Package

In January, the European Parliament's Research Service published a [comprehensive briefing on the cybersecurity package](#). The briefing gives a brief overview of the dossier and its current status in the legislative process. It provides detailed information on the background, the general status quo of European legislation in the field of cybersecurity and the positions of the various EU institutions. The briefing presents the proposal's development and refers to various positions of external stakeholders.

### Survey: European cybersecurity centres of expertise

As part of the European Commission's [cybersecurity strategy](#), the Directorate-General CONNECT has launched a [survey on cybersecurity expertise in Europe](#) which will be translated into a "cybersecurity atlas". All cybersecurity competence centres within the EU are invited to register and share information about their work and specific expertise. It is possible to register as organisation and to provide information on its cybersecurity expertise **until 15 February**.

### New data protection rules: Guidelines by the European Commission

As of 25 May 2018, the new EU data protection regulations will apply in all member states. In order to facilitate the smooth application of the new data protection legislation throughout the EU, the European Commission has published guidelines. In addition, a [comprehensive online tool](#) is offered to inform citizens, organisations, businesses and in particular small and medium-sized enterprises and to help them comply with the new rules and use them correctly.

[Commission's press release with full details](#)

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