

Article – Coming up: consumer rights, industrial strategy, media freedom



Protecting consumers

On Wednesday MEPs are expected to call for measures to create [a more sustainable single market](#) by strengthening consumers' "right to repair," preventing practices that intentionally shorten the lifespan of products and promoting a culture of reuse.

They will also call for greater efforts to [improve product safety and protect consumers](#) at EU level.

MEPs will vote on [new rules](#) to allow groups of consumers to take collective legal action at national and EU level. Results will be announced on Wednesday.

Industrial strategy

MEPs will debate [the EU's industrial strategy](#) on Monday and are set to adopt a resolution on Wednesday, calling for a revision to the European Commission's proposal to reflect the measures needed to recover from the impact of the coronavirus pandemic, while contributing to the EU's [green](#) and [digital](#) goals.

Media freedom

The state of media freedom in the EU will be discussed on Monday, with MEPs focusing on the protection of journalists, political interference, disinformation and the role of platforms. On Wednesday, MEPs will discuss Hungarian interference in the media in Slovenia and North Macedonia.

Digitalisation of justice

Parliament is set to approve new rules on Tuesday to make [access to justice faster, cheaper and more user-friendly](#) for EU citizens and businesses through new digital solutions.

Council summit priorities

Ahead of the Council summit on 10-11 December MEPs are expected to raise issues ranging from the [EU's long-term budget](#) and [rule of law](#) to Covid-19 testing and vaccines, EU climate targets and fighting terrorism in a debate with Commission President Ursula von der Leyen on Wednesday.

Discover [10 things the EU is doing to boost economic recovery after Covid-19](#).

Fighting homelessness

Parliament is set to call on the EU to [end homelessness by 2030](#) on Monday.

Other topics

Other issues on the agenda include:

- Fundamental rights in the EU
- A new pharmaceutical strategy
- Abortion rights in Poland
- €823 million in aid for eight EU countries hit by natural disasters
- The situation in Turkish-occupied northern Cyprus