

# [Forward look: 10 – 30 May 2021](#)



The location and the format (physical or virtual) indicated for each meeting are subject to change.

## **Foreign Affairs Council, Monday 10 May**

EU ministers of foreign affairs will be briefed about current affairs and exchange views on Western Balkans and transatlantic relations.

## **General Affairs Council, Tuesday 11 May**

The Council will prepare for the special European Council meeting on 25 May 2021. Ministers will also focus on COVID-19 EU coordination and the Conference on the Future of Europe.

## **Education, Youth, Culture and Sports Council, 17-18 May**

Ministers will discuss about equity and inclusion in education and training, the European Universities initiative and participation of young people in decision-making processes. They will also focus on the sustainability of the creative sector, the Media and Audiovisual Action Plan and sport innovation.

## **Foreign Affairs Council (Trade), Thursday 20 May**

The Foreign Affairs Council/Trade will hold a meeting with International Procurement Instrument, conclusions on the Trade Policy Review and the EU-US trade relations in their agenda, among other subjects.

## **Special meeting of the European Council, Monday 25 May**

EU leaders will meet in Brussels to discuss EU's response to COVID-19, climate change and external relations

## **Agriculture and Fisheries Council, Tuesday 26- Wednesday 27 May**

Ministers will discuss the CAP reform package and a series of other topics including organic farming, new genomic techniques, plant reproductive material and the EU's priorities for 2021 UN Food Systems Summit.

# Competitiveness Council, Wednesday 27-Thursday 28 May

## Thursday 27 May

Ministers responsible for the internal market and industry will be focusing on :

- the digital services package,
- access to critical raw materials,
- the future of tourism in Europe and
- better regulation.

## Friday 28 May (morning session)

Research ministers will be focusing on the EuroHPC joint undertaking, the future pact for research and innovation and upgrading researchers' careers in Europe. In the afternoon, space ministers will debate the EU's position concerning space traffic management and adopt conclusions on new space and space for people in coastal areas.