

Forward look: 30 November – 13 December 2020



Overview of the main topics and events at the Council of EU and European Council.

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

30 November 2020

Video conference of youth ministers

Youth ministers will discuss youth mobility during the pandemic and beyond and will be briefed about the ongoing work in the area of democratic awareness among young people and the European Youth Work Agenda

Video conference of education ministers

Education ministers will express solidarity with the victims of terrorist attacks in Europe and will discuss the European Education Area and the European cooperation in education and training beyond 2020

1 December 2020

Video conference of economics and finance ministers

Ministers are expected to discuss administrative cooperation in the field of taxation, the Banking Union, the Capital Markets Union, European Semester 2021, international debt relief, in particular for African countries, and international tax issues

Video conference of culture ministers

Ministers will discuss the recovery of the culture and media sector from the pandemic and will be briefed about the conclusions on gender equality in the field of culture, and on safeguarding a free and pluralistic media system

Video conference of sport ministers

Ministers will discuss the international sporting events during the pandemic and will be briefed about the EU Work Plan on Sport 2021-2024 and the conclusions on promoting cross-sectoral cooperation for the benefit of sport and physical activity in society

2 December 2020

Video conference of justice ministers

Ministers will discuss the justice aspects of counter terrorism, as well as rule of law developments in the field of justice. They will be informed of the state of play on the proposal for a regulation on assignments of claims and of the latest developments in the setting up of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPP0)

Video conference of health ministers

Ministers will discuss ways to build a European Health Union and will exchange views about the pharmaceutical strategy for Europe

3 December 2020

Video conference of employment and social policy ministers

Ministers will discuss social protection in the Platform economy and how to implement the Commission's Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025

7 December 2020

Foreign Affairs Council

EU ministers of foreign affairs will be briefed about current affairs and exchange of views on transatlantic relations and strategic autonomy

Video conference of telecommunication ministers

Ministers will discuss the proposal for a data governance act, published by the Commission on 25 November

Video conference of European affairs ministers

European Council and (poss.) EU-UK relations will be on the agenda of the videoconference of EU Affairs ministers

8 December 2020

Video conference of transport ministers

Ministers will discuss a proposal to revise the EU road-charging directive (Eurovignette), and the Commission's proposals concerning the Single European Sky

10-11 December 2020

European Council

EU leaders will meet in Brussels to discuss further coordination on COVID-19, climate change, security and external relations

For video coverage of Council sessions and audiovisual material, please see the following Council websites: