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Higher quality of tap water

From 8:45, MEPs will debate EU water legislation including new drinking water rules, designed to offer high quality tap water across the EU, thus enabling and encouraging people to drink tap water rather than bottled water while reducing plastic waste. **Since no amendments were tabled, the drinking water directive was announced as adopted at the end of the debate.** MEPs will also assess the implementation of the EU water legislation as a whole. A resolution will be put to the vote on Thursday.

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Addressing the impact of COVID-19

MEPs will debate and vote on the €47.5 billion REACT-EU package to mitigate the immediate effects of the COVID-19 crisis across EU regions from around 11:00. The money will be made available over the next two years through the EU Structural Funds and investments will be focused on the sectors most affected by the economic fallout of the pandemic.

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Foreign Policy debates

From 15.00, MEPs will discuss with EU Foreign Policy Chief Josep Borrell recent developments in the Eastern Partnership, the situation in Mozambique as well as the 25-year anniversary of the process that created the Union for the Mediterranean.

In brief

Agricultural funding and recovery aid for food producers. MEPs will vote on rules to ensure a smooth transition from the current to the future EU farm policy and to release €8 billion in aid for farmers and rural areas.

Votes

The **first voting session** lasts from 11.00-12.15; results will be announced at 14.45.

Among other things, MEPs will cast their final votes on

- the agreement on the European Year of Rail 2021 (final vote)
- a harmonised risk management system, designed to enable clearing houses in difficulty to continue their services while minimising the risk that taxpayers might have to bail them out.

They will vote on amendments on

- a new strategy for European SMEs.

The **second voting session** lasts from 20.00-21.15; results will be announced on Wednesday morning at 8.30.

Among other things, MEPs will cast their final votes on

- agricultural funding and recovery aid for food producers
- the REACT-EU package

They will vote on amendments on

- the implementation of the Dublin III regulation
- the implementation of the Return Directive.