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1. Activities of the European Institutions

1.1 European Commission

Date	Event	Subject
5 September	College Meeting	<i>Amongst others: Commission Decision on the admissibility of the proposed citizens' initiative entitled 'End the Cage Age'; Draft Commission implementing decision pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adequate protection of personal data by Japan: information to the Commission;</i>
11 September	College Meeting	<i>Amongst others: a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on preventing the dissemination of terrorist content online; b) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council: A Europe that protects: an initiative to extend the competences of the European Public Prosecutor's Office to cross-border terrorist crimes; c) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre and the Network of National Coordination Centres; d) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Securing free and fair European elections; e) Free and fair elections: Commission guidance document on the application of Union data protection law in the electoral context; f) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 as regards a verification procedure related to infringements of rules on the protection of personal data in the context of elections to the European Parliament; g) Commission Recommendation on election cooperation networks, online transparency, protection against cybersecurity incidents and fighting disinformation campaigns in the context of elections to the European Parliament; h) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Council Joint Action No 98/700/JHA, Regulation (EU) No 1052/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 2016/1624 of the European Parliament and of the Council; i) Amended Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Union Agency for Asylum and repealing Regulation (EU) No 439/2010; j) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on common standards and procedures in Member</i>

States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals (recast); k) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council- Enhancing legal pathways to Europe: an indispensable part of a balanced and comprehensive migration policy; l) Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the evaluation of the European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR); a) to l) are also contributions from the European Commission to the Leaders' meeting in Salzburg on 19-20 September 2018;

m) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council on a new Africa-Europe Alliance for Sustainable Investment and Jobs: Taking our partnership for investment and jobs to the next level; n) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council and the European Investment Bank: Towards a more efficient financial architecture for investments outside the European Union; o) Communication from the Commission to the European Council, the European Parliament and the Council: A stronger global actor: a more efficient decision-making for EU Common Foreign and Security Policy: A more efficient decision-making for EU Common Foreign and Security Policy; p) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council discontinuing seasonal changes of time and repealing Directive 2000/84/EC; q) Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Central Bank, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions: Strengthening the Union framework for prudential and anti-money laundering supervision for financial institutions; r) Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority); Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority); Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority); Regulation (EU) No 345/2013 on European venture capital funds; Regulation (EU) No 346/2013 on European social entrepreneurship funds; Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 on markets in financial instruments; Regulation (EU) 2015/760 on European long-term investment funds; Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds; Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market; and (EU) Directive 2015/849 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money-laundering or terrorist financing;

1.2 Council

Date	Event	Location
3 September	Informal meeting of Youth Ministers	Vienna, Austria
7-8 September	Informal meeting of Economic and Financial Affairs Ministers	Vienna, Austria
10-11 September	Informal meeting of Health Ministers	Vienna, Austria
17-18 September	Informal meeting of Energy Ministers	Linz, Austria
18 September	General Affairs Council (Art. 50)	Brussels
19-20 September	Informal meeting of Heads of State or Government	Salzburg, Austria
23-25 September	Informal meeting of Agriculture Ministers	Vienna, Austria
27-28 September	Competitiveness Council	Brussels
2 October	Economic and Financial Affairs Council	Luxembourg
All meetings of the Council		

1.3 European Parliament

Plenary Sessions

Date	Event	Subjects	Location
10-13 September	Plenary	<i>Among others:</i> State of the Union-Statement by the President of the	Strasbourg

Commission Jean-Claude Juncker;
European Solidarity Corps; Structural Reform Support Programme; financial envelope and general objective; the impact of EU cohesion policy on Northern Ireland; Specific measures for Greece; July 2018 fires at Mati in the Attica Region- Commission statement; Greece and the EU response; pathways for the reintegration of workers recovering from injury and illness into quality employment; measures to prevent and combat mobbing and sexual harassment at the workplace, in public spaces, and in political life in the EU; relationships between the EU and third countries concerning financial services regulation and supervision; language equality in the digital age; transparent and accountable management of natural resources in developing countries: the case of forests; boosting growth and cohesion in EU border regions; Debate with the Prime Minister of Greece, Alexis Tsipras, on the Future of Europe; Address by Michel Aoun, President of the Lebanese Republic; the situation in Hungary; copyright in the Digital Single Market; Autonomous weapon systems-Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Federica Mogherini; state of EU-US relations; The emergency situation in Libya and the Mediterranean- Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Federica Mogherini; The threat of demolition of Khan al-Ahmar and other Bedouin villages-Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy; state of EU-China relations; controls on cash entering or leaving the Union; countering money laundering by criminal law; the future of pensions: fighting privatisation and strengthening public universal social security systems; Presentation by the Council of its position on the draft general budget- 2019 financial year; protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and free movement of such data; joint debate- Plastics Strategy and chemical, product and waste legislation; A European One Health Action Plan against

		<i>Antimicrobial Resistance; Single Digital Gateway; Europe on the Move: an agenda for the future of mobility in the EU; Implementation of the Plant Protection Products Regulation; dual quality of products in the Single Market; debates on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law: Uganda, arrest of parliamentarians from the opposition; Myanmar, notably the case of journalists Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo; Cambodia, notably the case of Kem Sokha;</i>	
24 September	Committee on Culture and Education	<i>Among others: European Social Fund Plus (ESF+); Protection of persons reporting on breaches of Union law; minimum standards for minorities in the EU; study requested by CULT Committee, commissioned and managed by the Policy Department “Digital Skills in the 21st Century”; public hearing on “Education in the digital era”; education in the digital era: challenges, opportunities and lessons for EU policy design; European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund; establishing the InvestEU Programme;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Petitions	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Development	<i>Among others: Announcements by the Commission (tbc); hearing: engaging the African diaspora in Europe to promote effective development cooperation policies; Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union including relations between the European Union on the one hand, Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other (‘Overseas Association Decision’); the sustainable use of oceans (SDG 14); the situation in Burundi and the funding of Burundian UN troops from the African Peace Facility financed through the European Development Fund; EU development assistance in the field of education;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs	<i>Among others: Monetary Dialogue with Mario Draghi, President of the European</i>	Brussels

		<i>Central Bank; promotion of the use of SME growth markets; reduction of the impact of certain plastic products on the environment; protection of persons reporting on breaches of Union law; prudential requirements of investment firms; prudential supervision of investment firms;</i>	
24 September	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs & Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality	<i>Among others: Gender equality and Taxation policies in the EU;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Employment and Social Affairs	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Industry, Research and Energy	<i>Among others: Workshop 'Brexit and industry and space policy'; Implementation and functioning of the .eu top level domain name; Promoting fairness and transparency for business users of online intermediation services; promoting fairness and transparency for business users of online intermediation services; Blockchain: a forward-looking trade policy; ITRE mission to Norway (7-9 May 2018), Debriefing;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection	<i>Among others: Prolongation of the transitional use of means other than the electronic data-processing techniques provided for in the Union Customs Code; Application of the Euro 5 step to the type-approval of two- or three- wheel vehicles and quadricycles; establishing the Digital Europe programme for the period 2021-2027; Representative actions for the protection of the collective interests of consumers; autonomous driving in European Transport;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Transport and Tourism	<i>Among others: Establishing the Digital Europe programme for the period 2021-2027; establishing the InvestEU Programme; port reception facilities for the delivery of waste from ships; Common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum and Migration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Border Management and Visa Instrument; Implementation report as</i>	Brussels

		<i>regards Regulation 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport within and outside the EU; European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund;</i>	
24 September	Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Fisheries	<i>Among others: European Maritime and Fisheries Fund; Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a multiannual recovery plan for Mediterranean swordfish and amending Regulations (EC) No 1967/2006 and (EU) 2017/2107; Fishing in the GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) Agreement area; establishing a multi-annual plan for the fisheries exploiting demersal stocks in the western Mediterranean Sea; Committee on Fisheries' visit to Ireland- 17–19 September 2018;</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Legal Affairs	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24 September	Subcommittee on Security and Defence	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24 September	Committee on Constitutional Affairs & Committee on Petitions	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
24-26 September	Committee on Budgets	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
26 September	Special Committee on financial crimes, tax evasion and tax avoidance	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
27 September	Committee on Budgetary Control	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
27 September	Committee on Regional Development	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels

27 September	Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality	<i>Among others: With the Council and Commission: The Situation and Rights of Women with disabilities- exploratory opinion from the European Economic and Social Committee under Rule 137; Gender equal workplaces: best practices and use of care services; Annual report on human rights and democracy in the world 2017 and the European Union's policy on the matter; Experiencing Backlash in Women's Rights and Gender Equality in the EU;</i>	Brussels
27 September	Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
27 September	Special Committee on the Union's authorisation procedure for pesticides	<i>Please consult the website</i>	Brussels
All European Parliament Committee Meetings			

1.4 Committee of the Regions (CoR)

Date	Event	Location
13 September	The Interreg Europe good practice database for regions and cities	Brussels
19 September	Conference on renewable energy developments and the EU Nature Legislation (12th meeting of the Technical Platform)	Brussels
20 September	2nd European Day of Sustainable Communities	Brussels
20-21 September	20th Commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional and External Affairs (CIVEX) Meeting	Brussels
21 September	Commission for Economic Policy (ECON) Stakeholders' consultation on the "Reform Support Programme and European Investment Stabilisation Function"	Brussels

24 September	Diabetes and Non-Communicable Diseases Prevention in Europe	Brussels
26 September	ECON - Stakeholders' consultation on the "InvestEU Programme	Brussels
Further Events of the Committee of the Regions		

1.5 European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

Date	Event	Location
3 September	Justice, Rights and Values Fund meeting the needs	Brussels
6 September	European Regional Development and Cohesion Policy	Brussels
7 September	EESC Civil Society Prize	Brussels
10 September	Public Hearing on European Company Law Package	Thessaloniki, Greece
13 September	Romanian Coal Regions in energy transition	Petroșani, Romania
19 September	537th Plenary session	Brussels
20 September	European Day of Sustainable Communities	Brussels
26 September	Consumers at the heart of finance in Europe	Brussels
28 September	Implementing SDGs- civil society in action	Brussels
3 October	Delivery of essential services in conjunction with the European Pillar of Social Rights	Brussels
30 October	SDGs and Initiatives for Sustainable Global Value Chains	Brussels

[Further events of the European Economic and Social Committee](#)

1.6 International Relations

Date	Event	Venue/Location
15 November	7th EU-South Africa Summit	Brussels
December (tbd)	EU-Africa Summit	Vienna, Austria

2. Conferences & Meetings

2.1 DG JRC Conferences and Events

Date	Event	Organiser	Location
13 August-19 October	Photo Contest: How green is your lab	EC, JRC	Online
5-7 September	Evidence and policy summer school: Science, policy and demography	JRC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, Federal Ministry Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Austria, Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research of the Republic of Austria	Laxenburg, Austria

17-21 September	ELINDER Specific Course 1: decommissioning planning and cost assessment	JRC, Slovak University of Technology (STUBA)	Bratislava, Slovakia
18-20 September	12th INSPIRE conference- INSPIRE users: Make it work together	DG ENV, JRC, Government of Belgium, Government of The Netherlands	Antwerp, Belgium
19-21 September	RemTech Europe international conference and exhibition	JRC, RemTech Expo	Ferrara, Italy
24-28 September	35th European photovoltaic solar energy conference and exhibition (EU PVSEC)	EC, JRC	Brussels
25 September	Smart specialisation: from the EU to the world	JRC	Seville, Spain
26-28 September	SMARTER Conference on smart specialisation and territorial development	JRC	Seville, Spain
1-2 October	Visit of Director-General Vladimir Šucha to the Republic of Serbia	JRC, Serbian Ministry for Education, Science and Technological Development	Belgrade, Serbia
8 October	Opening of the ARTEFACTS exhibition: What future do we want for our one and only planet?	JRC, Natural Science Museum Berlin	Berlin, Germany
10-11 October	Use of reference materials and the estimation of measurement uncertainty (2018)	JRC	Geel, Belgium
18-19 October	Technology Transfer in Nanotechnology	JRC and Italian National Research Council (CNR)	Lecce, Italy
23 October	Peer eXchange and Learning (PXL) workshop on Monitoring for Smart Specialisation Strategies	JRC	Vilnius, Lithuania

[Further upcoming DG JRC Events](#)

[Further upcoming events in the EU Newsroom Calendar](#)

2.2 Further European Conferences and Meetings

11 September	8th Global TechMining Conference	Vantage Point (VP) Institute	Leiden, The Netherlands
11-13 September	The 3rd Integrated Carbon Observation System (ICOS) Science Conference on Greenhouse Gases and Biogeochemical Cycles	ICOS	Prag, Czech Republic
12-14 September	4th International Conference on Research Infrastructure (ICRI) 2018	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU, Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Research, ICRI	Vienna, Austria
12-14 September	Air Sensors International Conference (ASIC)	ASIC	Oakland, USA
12-14 September	URBACT City Festival 2018	EC, DG REGIO	Lisbon, Portugal
14 September	Citizens' dialogue with Commissioners Corina Crețu and Phil Hogan	EC	Cluj-Napoca, Romania
14 September	2018 seminar on fisheries science	DG MARE	Brussels
14 September	4th stakeholder conference on biosimilar medicines	EC	Brussels
16-22 September	European Mobility Week	EC	Brussels
17 September	1st Artic stakeholder conference: Knowing, developing and connecting the Artic	EC	Brussels
17 September	Charge for change: Innovative technologies for energy-intensive industries	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Linz, Austria

18-21 September	European, Food Safety Authority (EFSA): 3rd scientific conference	EFSA	Parma, Italy
19 September	Delivering for the future II: Workshop on developments in the postal sector	DG GROW	Brussels
19 September	Conference on renewable energy developments and the EU nature legislation	EC, European Committee of the Regions (CoR)	Brussels
19-20 September	Workshop on the European Technical Standard Order (ETSO)	European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)	Cologne, Germany
19-20 September	10 years of joint programming: Achievements and way forward	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
20 September	Citizens' dialogue with Commissioner Vytenis Andriukaitis	EC	Turin, Italy
20 September	Seminar on the benefits of Plant Variety Protection	Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO), Executive Agency for variety testing, field inspection and seed control of the Bulgarian Ministry of Agriculture	Sofia, Bulgaria
20 September	When digital meets postal– Evolution or revolution?	DG GROW	Brussels
20 September	Bringing the EU action plan to life: Towards a fact-based circular economy	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU, ERSTE Campus	Vienna, Austria
20-21 September	EU water conference 2018	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
20-21 September	The new student: Flexible learning paths and future learning environments	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
20-21 September	10th Citizen's Energy Forum	EC	Dublin, Ireland

20-21 September	Sustainable policy responses: EU and US perspectives	European Investment Bank (EIB), European Monetary and Finance Forum (SUERF), Columbia University, Société Générale.	New York, USA
21 September	Citizen's dialogue with Commissioner Věra Jourová	EC	Nicosia, Cyprus
21 September	Conference on the economic dimension of sport	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
21 September	The contribution of producer organisations to an efficient agri-food supply chain	DG AGRI	Brussels
22 September	Jubel Festival	EC, European Parliament (EP), Committee of the Regions (CoR), European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), King Baudoin Foundation, Region Bruxelles Capitale, French Government, Belgian Government, Nordic Council of Ministers, et al.	Brussels
24-26 September	European cycling summit	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Salzburg, Austria
24-27 September	Annual science conference 2018 of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)	ICES, Thünen, German Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture	Hamburg, Germany
25 September	Citizen's dialogue with Commissioner Mariya Gabriel	EC	Vienna, Austria
25 September	Matching health needs and pharmaceutical research—How to set the research agenda for public health	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
25-26 September	High-level conference on sustainable small-scale fisheries in the Mediterranean and Black Sea	EC, FAO, Maltese Parliamentary Secretariat for Agriculture, Fisheries	St. Julian's, Malta

		and Animal Rights, General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean, WWF	
25-28 September	Fundamental Rights Forum	European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)	Vienna, Austria
26 September	EU-EMAS conference 2018	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
26-28 September	European mineral resources confederation conference (EUMICON): Raw materials of today – Value chain of tomorrow	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU, EUMICON	Vienna, Austria
26-28 September	Counterfactual methods for policy impact evaluation (COMPIE 2018)	EC, Humboldt-Universität Berlin, RWI-Leibniz Institute for Economic Research	Berlin, Germany
27 September	Citizen's dialogue with Vice-President Jyrki Katainen	EC	Sopot, Poland
27-28 September	Second International Seminar on the Active Ageing Index	EC, UNECE, University of the Basque Country, Oxford Institute of Population Ageing, Government of Biscay	Bilbao, Spain
27-29 September	Employment for all - strategies for the implementation of the UN convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (CRPD)	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
28 September	Financing Energy Efficiency, The Investors' Perspective	EC, UN Environment Finance Initiative	Online
28 September	Human biomonitoring in Europe – Science and policy for healthy citizens	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU, HBM4EU, Austrian Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism, Austrian Environment Agency	Vienna, Austria
28-29	18th Austrian Day of European law: The future of the	Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Seefeld, Austria

September	EU, reforms from an internal and external perspective		
8-11 October	European Week of Regions and Cities	EC	Brussels
18-19 October	7th Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)	EC, DG REGIO, EUSDR	Sofia, Bulgaria
20-21 November	11th SET Plan Conference 2018	EC, Austrian Presidency of the Council of the EU	Vienna, Austria
EIT 2018 Call for Proposals for new EIT Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) in Urban Mobility and Added Value Manufacturing		EIT	Brussels

2.3 International Conferences and events

Date	Event	Organiser	Location
2-7 September	10th International Aerosol Conference (IAC)	IAC	Saint Louis, USA
3-4 September	Auxdefense 2018	Portuguese Ministry of National Defense, University of Minho	Lisbon, Portugal
10-19 September	7th United Cities and Global Governments (UCLG) Asia Pacific Network of Science and Technology Centres (ASPAC) Congress on Innovation-driven Development for Sustainable Cities	UCLG, ASPAC	Surabaya, Indonesia
12-14 September	Global Climate Action Summit	Global Climate Action	San Francisco, USA
12-14 September	4th Science Forum South Africa (SFSA) 2018	SFSA	Pretoria, South Africa
16-18 September	International Conference on Risk Assessment of Indoor Air Chemicals	German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, German Environment Office	Berlin, Germany

17-18 September	Three Seas Initiative (3TSI) Summit	3TSI	Bucharest, Romania
17-21 September	ELINDER Specific Course 1- "Decommissioning Planning and Cost Assessment"	Slovak University of Technology, Institute of Nuclear and Physical Engineering	Bratislava, Slovakia
18-27 September	General Assembly of the United Nations	UN	New York, USA
19-21 September	First conference on Innovations in Food Analytics	Acad-Indus International, Global Harmonization Initiative, Stadthalle Erding	Erding, Germany
20-21 September	Meeting of the Arctic Council Expert Group on Black Carbon and Methane	Arctic Council	Helsinki, Finland
23-26 September	21st European Congress on Alternatives to Animal Testing (EUSAAT) 2018	EUSAAT	Linz, Austria
24 September	European Council of Academies of Applied Sciences, Technologies and Engineering (Euro-CASE) Annual Conference- How will Artificial Intelligence shape our Future	Euro-CASE	Zürich, Switzerland
25 September	Croissant Event of UAS4EUROPE: Universities of Applied Sciences (UAS) on the Horizon of Europe	UAS4Europe	Brussels
25-28 September	World Social Science Forum (WSSF)	WSSF	Fukuoka, Japan
26 September	Launch of the European Academies' Science Advisory Council (EASAC) policy report on "Opportunities for soil sustainability in Europe"	EASAC	Brussels
19-21 October	Arctic Circle 2018	Arctic Circle	Reykjavik, Iceland
5-8 November	2018 Symposium on International Safeguards	IAEA	Vienna, Austria

6 November	EuroTech Universities Alliance High Level Event 2018	Euro Tech Universities Alliance	Brussels
6-7 November	International Network for Government Science Advice (INGSA) 2018- Science advising in a changing world	INGSA	Tokyo, Japan
17-29 November	14th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP14) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)	COP 14	Sharm-El-Sheikh, Egypt
10-11 December	Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration	United Nations	Marrakech, Morocco
13-14 December	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference (UNFCCC)- COP 24	UNFCCC, Government of Poland	Katowice, Poland
11-15 March 2019	Fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly	UNEP	Nairobi, Kenya
29 April-3 May 2019	Global Young Academy 9th International Conference for 2019 Young Scientists (1-2 May 2019) and 10th Anniversary AGM (Annual General Meeting) 2019: Re-Enlightenment? Truth, reason and science in a global world	AGM	Halle, Germany
20-23 November 2019	World Science Forum 2019	World Science Forum	Budapest, Hungary
Global Young Academy (AGM) Call for New Members		AGM	Halle, Germany

3. DG JRC News

September	DG JRC Newsletter September 2018
2017	JRC Annual Report
Open	Open access to JRC Research Infrastructures- Call Actinide User Laboratory-ActUsLab
Open	The EU is recruiting researchers- Call for expressions of interest
Open	JRC Alumni Network: Membership registration for JRC Alumni and staff

July and August Highlights

4-5 July	Investment Readiness of Innovation Projects in South East Europe
<p>The workshop was organised by the European Commission (DG JRC) in collaboration with the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture of Zagreb University, the Centre for Technology Transfer Ltd. and the Croatian Agency for SMEs, Innovation and Investments (HAMAG-BICRO). The event explored the support mechanisms required for innovations to grow and scale up in South Eastern Europe and develop bankable projects. The main focus of this workshop was to exchange best practices in supporting investment readiness for technology-based scale-ups and start-ups in South East Europe and the Western Balkans and</p>	

understand the requirements for developing bankable projects. Policy initiatives, implementation processes, instruments and capacity building activities will be presented, as well as first-hand experiences and case studies from across the region and beyond. The conclusions of this event are expected to feed into broader political developments, and to contribute to existing and tailor-made instruments that can wider support innovative companies in the area.

9-14 July

[Sharing science: towards new horizons- JRC at the EuroScience Open Forum 2018](#)

The Joint Research Centre (JRC) was present at the EuroScience Open Forum (ESOF) in Toulouse with an exciting programme combining science talks, workshops, TED type talks and Pecha Kucha presentations.

16-27 July

[Global Navigation Satellite System \(GNSS\) International Summer School 2018](#)

The ten-day course covered all aspects of satellite navigation, including:

- theory of Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS),
- threats to satnav systems,
- patents and intellectual property,
- creation of satnav-based businesses.

The main emphasis of the course will be the development of a group business project, building on an innovative idea to take in the planning of the product or service, its technical realisation and finally its marketing to customers.

The [International Summer School on Global Navigation Satellite System \(GNSS\) 2018](#) was organised by the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Joint Research Centre (JRC). It took place from 16 to 27 July 2018 in Loipersdorf, Austria. The Summer School was open to: graduate students (more than 3 years studies), PhD students and postdoctoral researchers (< 38 years) and young engineers and professionals from industry and agencies (< 38 years).

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