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### Irish Presidency

**Draft Work Programme for Council meetings**

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1. Competitiveness and Innovation
   - Follow up to Informal Ministerial in Ireland
   - Communication on Industrial Policy
   - 2nd Progress Report on the implementation of the Life Science and Biotechnology Strategy
     - Exchange of views
     - Council conclusions

2. Proposal on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)
   - Policy debate

3. Competitiveness and the Environment
   - (poss.) Communication on sustainable production
     - Exchange of views
     - (poss.) Council conclusions

4. Framework Directive on Services
   - (poss.) Political agreement

5. Community Patent
   a) Proposal for a Council Decision transferring competence to the Court of Justice in respect of Community intellectual property rights
      - (poss.) Political agreement/(poss.) Adoption
   b) Proposal for a Council Decision setting up a special judicial panel, to be called the Community Patent Court
      - (poss.) Political agreement/(poss.) Adoption
   c) Proposal for a Council Decision amending the Statute of the Court of Justice and the Rules of Procedure of the Court, consequential on creation of competence and establishment of the Community Patent Court
      - (poss.) Political agreement/(poss.) Adoption

   - Exchange of views/Policy debate

7. Proposal for a Directive on cross-border mergers of companies with share capital
   - Progress Report
8. Proposal for a Directive on computer-implemented inventions  
   – Political agreement

9. Proposal for a Directive on the recognition of professional qualifications  
   – Political agreement

10. Proposal for a Regulation on Drug Precursors (Intra-Community Controls)  
    – (poss.) Political agreement/(poss.) adoption

11. (poss.) Commission Communication on Nano Technologies  
    – Exchange of views  
    – Council conclusions (poss.)

12. ITER  
    – Decision for Conclusion of International agreement  
    – Decision for the creation of a European legal entity  
    = Policy debate

    – Exchange of views

    – (poss.) Political agreement

    – General approach/Political agreement

16. Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on co-operation between national authorities responsible for the enforcement of consumer protection laws ("the regulation on consumer protection co-operation")  
    – General approach/Political agreement

    – Progress Report

18. (poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on materials in contact with food  
    – Policy debate