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Title: European Commission Work Programme For 2005

Strategic Objectives 2005-2009

Purpose of Paper

At its meeting on 11 November 2004, EEAC agreed a new approach to the scrutiny of EU legislation, which was subsequently endorsed by the Panel of Chairs on 7 December 2004. It was agreed that the European Commission Work Programme for 2005 would be the starting point in future for identifying priority policy issues for further monitoring and scrutiny over the course of the year. This is available at the link below.

This and the European Commission Strategic Objectives 2005-2009 were both adopted and presented to the European Parliament on 26 January 2005, by Commission President, Jose Manuel Barroso.

Both papers can be found on the Commission's website:

http://www.europa.eu.int/comm/off/work_programme/index_en.htm

These should be considered alongside the accompanying paper prepared by MRCS: EUR2 02-05 (p9) - European Commission Work Programme 2005 – suggested policy priorities for EEA", which provides a summary of its Strategic Objectives 2005-2009, an analysis of the Commission's 2005 work programme and suggestions for EEAC's policy priorities for 2005.

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