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The *European Affairs in the Croatian Parliament Bulletin* is published monthly by the European Affairs Department. The Bulletin provides an overview of the Parliament's work related to European affairs and arising from the membership of the Republic of Croatia in the European Union.

The Croatian Parliament, as the national parliament of an EU member state, participates in the decision-making process at the European level by overseeing the activities of the Government in the European Union institutions and by exercising the powers conferred on national parliaments by the Lisbon Treaty.

Activities of the European Affairs Committee

The Committee for European Affairs carries out European affairs in accordance with the Act on the Cooperation of the Croatian Parliament and the Government of the Republic of Croatia in European Affairs and the Rules of Procedure of the Croatian Parliament.

At its 27th session, held on 13 May 2026, jointly with the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Committee on the Economy, the Environment and Nature Conservation Committee and the Agriculture Committee, the Committee discussed the EU-Mercosur Partnership Agreement (EMPA) and the Interim Trade Agreement with Mercosur (iTA) and their expected impact on the Republic of Croatia.

During the opening speech, the Chair of the European Affairs Committee, Jelena Miloš, pointed out that the agreements have generated great interest among the Member States of the European Union and stressed the importance of an open debate on their economic, political and environmental impacts.

Participants assessed that the agreements present both opportunities and challenges for the Republic of Croatia. Concerns related to the protection of domestic agriculture, food safety, preservation of Croatia's status as a GMO-free country and possible environmental consequences related to deforestation and greenhouse gas emissions were particularly highlighted.

It was concluded that the implementation of the agreement will need to be continuously monitored, with special emphasis on the protection of domestic producers, the preservation of

environmental standards and the strengthening of the competitiveness of the Croatian economy in the markets of the Mercosur countries.

Positions of the Republic of Croatia on EU documents

In accordance with the Work programme for consideration of the positions of the Republic of Croatia for [2025](#) and for [2026](#), the European Affairs Committee forwarded in May 2026 [two positions](#) of the Republic of Croatia on EU documents to the working bodies of the Parliament for their opinion.

Monitoring the work of the Government in the European Union institutions

In May 2026, the Croatian Government submitted to the Parliament its position for 8 Council meetings:

- [Economic and Financial Affairs Council](#) on 5 May 2026
- [Foreign Affairs Council](#) on 11 May 2026
- [Education, Youth, Culture and Sport Council](#) on 11 and 12 May 2025
- [Foreign Affairs Council](#) (Defence) on 12 May 2026
- [Foreign Affairs Council](#) (Development) on 18 May 2026
- [Foreign Affairs Council](#) (Trade) on 22 May 2026
- [General Affairs Council](#) on 26 May 2026
- [Agriculture and Fisheries Council](#) on 26 May 2026

EU documents forwarded directly to the Croatian Parliament

Pursuant to the Protocol (no. 1) on the Role of National Parliaments in the European Union, all draft legislative acts and communications are forwarded directly to national parliaments.

The Croatian Parliament publishes daily the received EU documents, along with information on the reference code assigned to each document, the applicable adoption procedure, its submission date and the timeframe for carrying out the subsidiarity check.

In May 2026, the EU institutions forwarded to the Croatian Parliament [46 documents](#): 27 draft legislative acts, and 19 communications and other non-binding documents.

Application of EU law

In May 2026, the Croatian Parliament enacted 7 laws in the process of harmonization with European Union law.