

Parlamentul României

Senat

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OPINION OF THE ROMANIAN SENATE

on

COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Commission Work Programme 2019

Delivering what we promised and preparing for the future

COM (2018) 800 final

Romanian Senate examined the *Commission Work Programme 2019 - COM (2018) 800 final*, according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol nr. 1).

Taking into account the opinions of all Standing Committees and the report of the European Affairs Committee, the **Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of December 19, 2018:

- 1. Appreciates the Commission's intention to complete and fulfil the ten legislative priorities of the Juncker Commission, prior to the European Parliament elections:
 - The investment plan: a new boost for jobs, growth and investment
 - A connected digital single market
 - A resilient energy union with a forward-looking climate change policy
 - A deeper and fairer internal market with stronger industries
 - A deeper and fairer economic and monetary union
 - A reasonable and balanced free trade agreement with the United States
 - An area of justice and fundamental rights based on mutual trust
 - A new policy on migration
 - Europe as a stronger global actor
 - A European Union of democratic change
- 2. Supports the Commission Work Programme for 2019 with the following objectives:
 - to ensure all efforts in reaching urgently an agreement on the already presented legislative proposals, in order to complete and fulfil the Commission's ten political priorities.

- to adopt a limited number of new initiatives, which alongside those presented with the State of the Union discourse are essential for full accomplishment of the 10 priorities.
- to take forward the Roadmap to Sibiu, showing that the European Union of 27 has a clear perspective for the future and has reinforced the foundations for a strong, united and sovereign Europe. This will be a crucial moment for the EU of 27 to shape its own future for 2025.

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