Commission presents the European Pillar of Social Rights

The European Commission presents the European Pillar of Social Rights and launches a reflection on the social dimension of Europe by 2025. Strengthening Europe social dimension is a key priority of President Juncker Commission, also confirmed by the Rome Declaration, adopted by EU leaders on 25 March 2017. The Pillar sets out 20 key principles and rights to support fair and well-functioning labour markets and welfare systems and it is accompanied by a number of concrete legislative and non-legislative initiatives. It is presented both as a Commission Recommendation and as a proposal for a joint proclamation by the Parliament, the Council and the Commission.
In parallel, the reflection paper on the social dimension of Europe is the first in a series of thematic papers, announced in the White paper of the future of Europe. The reflection paper starts a reflection process with citizens, social partners, the European institutions and governments, that seeks to identify responses to our societies' challenges and to clarify the contribution of the EU level in addressing these challenges.

List of documents

- Proposal for a Interinstitutional Proclamation on the European Pillar of Social Rights (COM/2017/0251 final)
Summaries of EU Legislation

- Equal treatment irrespective of racial or ethnic origin
- EU countries’ employment policies: guidelines
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- Non-discrimination and equal opportunities in the European Union
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- Charter of Fundamental Rights
- Equality between women and men
- Equal opportunities
- Non-discrimination (the principle of)

Related Sites

- Europa: The European Pillar of Social Rights in 20 principles
- The reflection paper on the social dimension of Europe
- European Commission - Fact Sheet – The European Pillar of Social Rights - Questions and Answers
- Social Scoreboard for the European Pillar of Social rights