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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 on a daily basis the EU documents received, 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 August 2022, the EU institutions forwarded to the Croatian Parliament [46 documents](#): 25 draft legislative acts, and 21 communications and other non-binding documents.

Report

On The Application Of The Principles Of Subsidiarity And Proportionality And On Relations With National Parliaments

European Commission has published [Annual Report 2021](#) on 1 August 2022.

National Parliaments submitted 360 opinions, which is considerably more than in the 2 previous years (225 in 2020 and 159 in 2019), partly reflecting the increased number of proposals that the Commission has presented. Of these, there were a total of 16 reasoned opinions, expressing concerns that the subsidiarity principle had been breached. The majority of these focused on the legislative proposals in the 'Fit for 55' package. No individual proposal triggered more than three reasoned opinions. The package that received the highest degree of attention was 'Fit for 55', and the individual proposals which received the most comments were the Digital Services Act (10 opinions), the Directive on adequate minimum wages (9 opinions) and the two proposals on the EU Digital Covid Certificate (8 opinions each).



State of the Union address on 14 September 2022

In September each year, the President of the European Commission delivers the State of the Union address to the Parliament. The address takes stock of the achievements of the past year and presents the priorities for the year ahead.

The President also sets out how the Commission will address the most pressing challenges the European Union faces and ideas for shaping the future of the EU.

Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission, will deliver her third State of the Union address on 14 September 2022.

