



MONITORAGGIO LEGISLATIVO ITALIA

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REAZIONI DELL'ITALIA IN MERITO ALLE DECISIONI RELATIVE AI DAZI STATUNITENSIS

Il 21 febbraio, il Ministro degli Affari esteri, **Antonio Tajani**, ha convocato la **task force “Sistema Italia”**, che riunisce le principali istituzioni legate all'export e le associazioni imprenditoriali, **per coordinare la risposta dell'Italia alla nuova ondata di dazi statunitensi**. La mossa fa seguito alla decisione della Corte Suprema degli Stati Uniti e ai recenti annunci del Presidente degli Stati Uniti Trump, che hanno creato **incertezza sui prezzi, sui rimborsi e sulle aspettative del mercato**. L'**obiettivo di Tajani** è garantire un **flusso informativo tempestivo e affidabile**, affinché gli esportatori possano operare serenamente.

Tajani ha sollecitato un taglio dei tassi da parte della BCE per allentare le condizioni di finanziamento, mentre si sta consolidando il consenso verso una più rapida **diversificazione dei mercati** e il **rafforzamento degli accordi commerciali**, insieme a **misure di sostegno mirate per le PMI**, che rappresentano la maggior parte delle esportazioni. Al contempo, l'Europa continua a difendere un sistema aperto e regolamentato, a tutela della competitività. L'opposizione, invece, ha criticato il silenzio della Presidente del Consiglio Meloni, sostenendo che stia evitando qualsiasi posizione che possa irritare il Presidente Trump.

PROSSIMI PASSI: N/A
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DL ENERGIA APPROVATO DAL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

Il 18 febbraio, il Consiglio dei Ministri ha approvato il cosiddetto DL Energia, nuovo decreto del Ministero dell'ambiente contenente diverse misure per abbattere i costi dell'energia. Inoltre, il 20 febbraio il decreto è stato poi pubblicato in Gazzetta Ufficiale.

Già preannunciato più volte dal Ministro dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica Pichetto Fratin nel corso della seconda metà del 2025, il provvedimento è sicuramente tra i più attesi dal mondo industriale. Infatti, lo scopo primario del Decreto è di **ridurre gli oneri energetici delle imprese tramite delle modifiche strutturali** ai meccanismi che attualmente determinano la formazione dei **prezzi del gas e dell'elettricità**. Tra le misure di maggiore impatto figurano:

- Per promuovere la concorrenza nel mercato del gas naturale all'ingrosso e la piena integrazione del mercato nazionale in quello europeo, nel limite massimo di 200 milioni, il Decreto prevede che ARERA possa introdurre un servizio "di liquidità" per offrire sul mercato italiano **gas naturale a prezzi prossimi a quelli del mercato olandese Ttf tramite un meccanismo ad aste competitive**.
- Si incarica l'ARERA di **rimodulare le componenti tariffarie** che pesano sui volumi di **gas consumati dalle centrali elettriche** a partire dal 1° gennaio 2027.
- Per stimolare il business dei data center in Italia, il Decreto prevede una **semplificazione del rilascio delle autorizzazioni per la realizzazione e l'ampliamento dei data center** tramite l'introduzione di un procedimento unico accelerato dalla durata massima di 10 mesi.

PROSSIMI PASSI: Il provvedimento è stato assegnato alla Commissione Attività Produttive della Camera dei deputati, dove inizierà l'iter parlamentare.
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RIUNIONE DELLA TASK FORCE DAZI PRESIDUTA DAL MINISTRO TAJANI

Il 23 febbraio, il Ministro degli Esteri Antonio Tajani ha presieduto una riunione della **Task Force dazi** della Farnesina per aggiornare associazioni di categoria e imprese italiane sugli sviluppi della politica commerciale, con particolare riferimento ai **rapporti con gli Stati Uniti**. Al centro dell'incontro, le implicazioni della recente sentenza della **Corte Suprema statunitense che ha dichiarato illegittimi i dazi “reciproci”** adottati sulla base International Emergency Economic

Powers Act (IEEPA), lasciando in vigore quelli su acciaio, alluminio, automotive e legname fondati su diverse basi giuridiche.

Il Ministro Tajani ha ribadito l'impegno del Governo a **garantire stabilità e prevedibilità delle relazioni commerciali transatlantiche**, illustrando anche i contatti con il Commissario europeo al Commercio e gli esiti del recente G7 Commercio. Nel confronto con il mondo produttivo è stata poi condivisa l'importanza della **strategia europea di diversificazione dei mercati di sbocco** e della rapida entrata in vigore dell'accordo UE-Mercosur. In chiusura, il Ministro ha confermato la continuità dei lavori della Task Force per assicurare un costante aggiornamento agli operatori economici.

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AGGIORNAMENTI SUGLI INCARICHI GOVERNATIVI

Il 17 febbraio, la **Senatrice Mara Bizzotto** (Lega) è stata nominata **Sottosegretaria al Ministero delle Imprese e del Made in Italy**, subentrando al collega di partito, **Massimo Bitonci**, recentemente nominato Assessore alla Regione Veneto. Inoltre, il 18 febbraio Giorgio Silli (Forza Italia) **ha rassegnato le dimissioni dall'incarico di Sottosegretario al Ministero degli Affari Esteri**. Silli ha lasciato la sua posizione per assumere il ruolo di Segretario Generale dell'Organizzazione Internazionale Italo-Latino Americana (IILA). Al momento, non vi sono indicazioni riguardo ad un'eventuale sostituzione né sulla persona che potrebbe subentrare.

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EFB's Bi-Weekly Update

Dear All,

below you will find the latest policy topics being discussed.

EU – Mercosur trade deal

On 10 February, 2026, the European Parliament adopted a safeguard regulation introducing mechanisms for agriculture with regards to the trade deal with the countries within the Mercosur agreement.

This was adopted by the European Parliament for EU agriculture in the context of the EU-Mercosur trade framework with a clear majority of 483 votes in favour, 102 against and 67 abstentions.

According to the European Parliament's press release, support for this safeguard regulation came from the EPP, S&D, Renew, and parts of Greens/EFA and ECR. Opposition was found among PfE, segments of ECR, and several non-attached Members, with abstentions from The Left and some S&D and Greens/EFA Members of the European Parliament.

When are safeguards activated?

- when imports of sensitive products rise by 5% over a three-year average;
- prices fall below domestic levels, with investigations initiated by the Commission, member states or industry representatives;
- biannual monitoring reports will be required.

When are these requirements applicable from?

Once the Mercosur Interim Trade Agreement enters into force following Council adoption and publication.

For the full press release visit the following [link](#).

Calls for evidence/ Public Consultations

The following initiatives have been published on the European Commission's "Have Your Say" portal for feedback.

European Social Security Pass

Background

The European Social Security Pass (ESSPASS) is an initiative that aims to simplify how EU citizens moving to or working in other EU countries interact with relevant authorities or service providers in the context of social security. The idea is to develop a Regulation to enable the secure and quick verification of social security rights across borders and simplify procedures for the public, businesses and national authorities via a digital solution.

The Call for evidence has been extended until 16 April, 2026. The proposal of this Regulation is due in the third quarter of 2026.

For more information visit the call for evidence [here](#).

Skills Portability Initiative

The European Commission has recently announced calls for evidence and questionnaires on the Skills portability initiative. This initiative is part of the larger Union of skills package. These consultations will feed into both legislative and non-legislative measures by the third quarter of 2026. According to the European Commission, the idea behind the initiative is to explore how to digitalise diplomas and credentials, improve transparency of skills and qualifications, modernise the recognition processes for regulated professions, simplify procedures for recognising the qualifications and skills of non-EU nationals.

This initiative is a comprehensive package of three interrelated actions all of which have open calls for feedback.

Why this call for evidence is important:

Since businesses across Europe have highlighted the topic of lack of access to skilled labour as one of their primary issues. The Commission's work on these proposals is vital and can lead to new regulations and directives that will shape how businesses will be able to hire perspective employees in the future and what tools may be available to simplify the recognition of diplomas in regulated professions and how to acknowledge skills acquired in non-regulated professions across the EU. Family businesses are vital for nurturing and developing talent. Skilled labour is crucial. This is why EFB will be contributing to these calls for evidence with possible suggestions that the EU institutions ought to take into account when drafting legislative and non-legislative proposals.

We encourage you to participate in the calls for evidence either directly or by sending us your feedback which we will incorporate into our own. If you would like us to include your input, please contact jpeixinho@europeanfamilybusinesses.eu by Tuesday 24th February.

The deadline for the calls for evidence is 27 February 2026.

[Action 1: a potential legislative proposal to facilitate worker mobility through improved transparency of skills and qualifications, and digitalisation;](#)

[Action 2: potential measures to facilitate, modernise and expand recognition processes for regulated professions;](#)

[Action 3: a potential legislative proposal for common rules to simplify procedures for the recognition of qualifications and skills of third-country nationals.](#)

Updating shareholders rights across the EU

The EU Commission launched a [public consultation and a call for evidence](#) to gather feedback on a possible update of the [Shareholder Rights Directive](#) of 2007.

Background

As an integral part of the Savings and Investment Strategy put forward by the EU Commission and announced in its 2026 Work Programme, the update to shareholders rights, is a step to improve the investment conditions across the EU in hopes to reduce the cost and complexity and fragmentation across capital markets.

The aim of the consultation is to collect input from companies, shareholders, and investors on obstacles in cross-border investment arising from the exercise of shareholder rights. The idea is to use input provided to revise rules that can unify EU capital markets.

Why this consultation is important:

It is important to take the opportunity to communicate on issues or inefficiencies in the system and put forward suggestions to overcome barriers that will enable the proper functioning of the [Savings and Investment Union](#).

It is for this reason, that EFB will be contributing to the call for evidence on this topic. We invite you to either contact jpeixinho@europeanfamilybusinesses.eu by latest 23 of April to share ideas with us so that we can include them in our feedback or encourage you to contribute directly.

The deadline for this call for evidence is 6 May, 2026.

Upcoming Meetings

Background

Over the next couple of weeks there will be several high-level meetings at the Council of EU and the European Council. We have pre-selected some that will discuss topics of particular interest to us.

General Affairs Council, 24 February 2026

Ministers responsible for European affairs will meet in Brussels to start preparations for the March European Council by discussing an annotated

draft agenda. While several topics will be discussed, we note that there will be the Adoption of the legislative Act - Directive simplifying corporate sustainability reporting and due diligence requirements (Omnibus I).

This means that following the adoption of the directive, the simplifications agreed on for both the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) and the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD) will enter into force thereafter. More specifically, the CSDDD rules will apply as of July 2029 while the CSRD rules (some of which are already applicable) will also be delayed by two years for the “second and third waves” of companies covered by the legislation.

Since both these pieces of legislation are directives, they will have to be adopted by Member States within the designated prolonged application period. **For the CSRD, large companies with more than 250 employees will be required to report on their social and environmental measures for the first time in 2028 for the previous financial year, while listed small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) will have to provide this information one year later. For the CSDDD, Member States will have until 26 July 2027 to transpose these rules.**

For more general information on the changes to the CSRD and the CSDDD visit the Parliament’s press release [here](#).

Competitiveness Council (Internal market and Industry), 26 February 2026

Internal market and industry ministers will discuss several important competitiveness related topics namely: the European competitiveness fund, the 2026 single market report and the emergency plans for industrial resilience and have a presentation on the bioeconomy strategy adopted last year in November.

Essentially, strategic points of the forthcoming economic policy will be analysed in more granular detail. We hope that following the meeting, there will be more information on next steps. For specific documents, please visit the Council of the EU’s agenda [here](#).

General Affairs Council (Cohesion), 26 February 2026

This meeting will gather ministers and EU officials to approve conclusions on the EU agenda for cities. You can read the EU Agenda for cities 2025 [here](#).

The Council will also hold an exchange of views on the mid-term review of cohesion policy 2021-2027 and lessons learnt for the future.

Competitiveness Council (Research), 27 February 2026

Research ministers are set to approve the Council position on the research fund for coal and steel and discuss the Horizon Europe MFF Package, as well as international cooperation on Research and Development (R&D).

Euro Summit, 19 March 2026

Background

The Euro Summit is a meeting among heads of state or governments from the euro area countries. This meeting also includes the Euro Summit President, and the President of the European Commission.

The upcoming meeting on 19 March, will discuss different aspects of the Economic and Monetary Union of the Euro area. They will be exchanging views on the Savings and Investment Union and the international role of the euro. The outcomes of this meeting will be important for us to gain insights into the upcoming views on the [Savings and Investments Union](#).

More information on the agenda can be found [here](#).

Commission College Agenda Items

Below are the possible items for the new European Commission College agenda from 18 February 2026 – 25 March 2026. **We will specifically be analysing the Industrial Accelerator Act (IAA) and the 28th regime proposal, and the Intergenerational fairness strategy.**

26 February, 2026

- Orientation debate on the 28th Regime
- New EU Agenda for preventing and countering terrorism and violent extremism Firearms trafficking Directive
- **Industrial Accelerator Act** (to be confirmed) – this proposal will likely introduce provisions and ideas that will shape Europe’s industrial base, how products are made and perhaps ownership of critical infrastructure in Europe. It will be a vital piece of upcoming legislation.

4 March, 2026

- EU industrial maritime strategy
- EU ports strategy
- Gender equality strategy 2026-2030
- **Intergenerational fairness strategy** – this strategy will likely make a reference to family farms and as such, we want to ensure that family businesses and the passing of knowledge and skills to the next generation is mentioned.

6 March, 2026

- Orientation debate on the energy prices

10 March, 2026

- Future development and deployment of small modular reactors in Europe
- Communication on Integrated Wildfire Risk Management

18 March, 2026

- Orientation debate on the review of the Merger Guidelines
- **28th Regime** – this proposal will introduce a new approach to opening and operating a business across the Single Market. While ideas of what can be included are being circulated, we want to assess whether this proposal will work efficiently for businesses without causing further administrative burden.
- European Innovation Act (to be confirmed)

25 March, 2026

Tech Sovereignty Package

- Strategic Roadmap for Digitalisation and AI in Energy
- Cloud and AI Development Act
- Chips Act 2
- Open Source strategy
- Qualitative Military Edge programme
- Instrument for Agile and Rapid Defence Innovation (AGILE)

Visit the agenda [here](#).

EFB Policy Forum

Save the date!

In 2026, our yearly event will have a different format.

On 3 June, in Brussels we will hold our EFBPolicy Forum.

More information will be released soon.

Forum for the Future of Agriculture: Annual Conference 2026

Register for the Forum for the Future of Agriculture Annual Conference 2026:

The **Forum for the Future of Agriculture (ForumforAg)** is Europe's premier platform for the leaders of food and environmental policy converge. From policymakers and agribusinesses to NGOs and academia, we gather to build practical, stress-tested solutions for a nature-positive future.

On **April 14, 2026**, the Forum's Annual Conference returns to Brussels at a critical global crossroads. We are proud to announce our opening session: "**The End of the World as We Know It: What Are the Consequences for Agriculture and the Environment?**"

In an era of climate change and geopolitical shifts, agriculture is no longer just essential, it is **strategic**. This session will explore the "agrifood systems" approach, examining how we can feed a growing population while restoring the ecosystems that sustain us. We must move beyond short-term gains toward long-term resilience.

Join us to help redraw the map of our future, to find out more about the Forum and register for our Annual Conference, follow the link below to our website: [Home - Forum for the Future of Agriculture](#)

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