

Recommendation 2112 (2017)¹

The “Turin process”: reinforcing social rights in Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly recalls its [Recommendation 1976 \(2011\)](#) on the role of parliaments in the consolidation and development of social rights in Europe and its [Resolution 2180 \(2017\)](#) on the “Turin Process”: reinforcing social rights in Europe.
2. In view of the importance of the “Turin Process” for a future common “European strategy of social rights”, the Assembly invites the Committee of Ministers to take steps to ensure more rapid progress with regard to the signature, ratification and implementation of the European Social Charter (revised) (ETS No. 163) and its protocols, and make social rights a priority for the 2018-2019 biennium of the Council of Europe.
3. In particular, the Assembly calls on the Committee of Ministers to adopt a unanimous decision to allow it to fulfil its appointed function in the European Social Charter’s monitoring mechanism regarding the election of the members of the European Committee of Social Rights, as foreseen in the Protocol amending the European Social Charter (ETS No. 142, “Turin Protocol”).
4. With a view to preparing the ground for closer co-operation with the European Union in the future, notably in the framework of the upcoming implementation of the European Pillar of Social Rights, the Committee of Ministers is further invited to:
 - 4.1. mandate the European Committee of Social Rights to undertake an in-depth study on possible synergies between the European Social Charter and the European Pillar of Social Rights and the ways in which the first could serve as a common social rights benchmark for all European States;
 - 4.2. ensure high-level participation by the Council of Europe in the upcoming Social Summit for Fair Jobs and Growth co-organised by the European Commission and the Swedish Government in Gothenburg on 17 November 2017 to debate and endorse the European Pillar of Social Rights.

1. *Assembly debate* on 30 June 2017 (27th Sitting) (see [Doc. 14343](#), report of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, rapporteur: Ms Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet; and [Doc. 14370](#), opinion of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, rapporteur: Mr Jordi Xuclà). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 30 June 2017 (27th Sitting).

