

ESC ACTION PLAN 2025

No	Title of the act	Rapporteur(s)	Committee	Timeline
I. Elaboration and adoption of acts of the Economic and Social Council within the meaning of Article 5(1) of the Economic and Social Council Act on the proposal of:				
The President of the Republic of Bulgaria				
1.				
The President of the National Assembly				
2.				
The Council of Ministers				
3.				
II. Development and adoption of acts of the Economic and Social Council within the meaning of Article 5(3) of the Economic and Social Council Act:				
1.	Analysis of the tax and social security legislation in Bulgaria	Groups 1 and 2	Committee on Macroeconomics, Budget and Finance	17 January 2025 <i>Transferred from Action Plan 2024</i>
2.	Resolution on the Accession of Bulgaria to the Eurozone	Presidents Board	Presidents Board	17 January 2025
3.	Opinion: “The scope and quality of education as drivers of productivity and GDP growth”	Group 1	Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of Living and Industrial Relations	First semester
4.	Analysis: “The age of artificial intelligence: balance between regulation, economic efficiency and social justice”	Group 2	Committee on Economic Policy	First semester March-June 2025
5.	Opinion: „Minimum wage and cost of living: European practices and measurement models“	Group 2	Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of Living and Industrial Relations	First semester

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6.	Opinion: “Measuring energy poverty in Bulgaria and Europe. Policies to tackle energy poverty in Bulgaria, in the context of the liberalisation of the energy market for household consumers.”	Groups 2 and 3	Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of Living and Industrial Relations Committee on European Policies and European Process	First semester
7.	Opinion: “Price disparities in the electricity markets in Europe - challenges for the Bulgarian industry and ways to overcome them.”	Group 2 Group 1	Committee on European Policies and European Process	First semester
8.	Analysis of ILO Convention 151 on industrial relations in the public service <u>Subtitle:</u> Concerning the right to organize and the procedure for determining the conditions of entry into the civil service	Group 2	Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of Living and Industrial Relations	First semester (the period from February to June 2025)
9.	Opinion: “A vision for the next EU Multiannual Financial Framework 2028-2034”		Committee on European Policies and European Process Committee on Macroeconomics, Budget and Finance	First semester
10.	Opinion: “A vision for the future of agricultural policy beyond 2027”	Group 3	Committee on Sustainable Development, Agriculture, Environment and Regional Policies	First semester

11.	Opinion: “A vision for cohesion policy and other instruments”		Committee on European Policies and European Process Committee on Economic Policy	First semester
12.	Analysis: “Work-life balance – myth or reality”	Group 3 Group 1 Group 2	Committee on Social Policy	First semester
13.	Analysis: “Formation of Civic Competence in Children through the System of School and Out-of-School Education”	Group 3	Committee on Social Policy	First semester
14.	Opinion: “Businesses' and employees' needs to adapt more quickly to the changes associated with the transition to a green and circular economy and digitalisation”	Group 1	Committee on Sustainable Development, Agriculture, Environment and Regional Policies	Second semester
15.	Analysis: “The circular economy and its impact on occupational safety and health”	Group 2	Committee on Economic Policy Committee on Sustainable Development, Agriculture, Environment and Regional Policies	Second semester
16.	Analysis: “New challenges for businesses and ways to minimise the negative impacts of the effective implementation of the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) in Bulgaria.	Group 2	Committee on Sustainable Development, Agriculture, Environment and Regional Policies	Second semester
17.	Analysis of the financing of the Bulgarian health system	Group 2 Group 1	Committee on Social Policy Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of	Second semester Q4 2024

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18.	Opinion: "Challenges to the access and quality of health care in the Republic of Bulgaria"	Group 2 Group 3	Committee on Social Policy	Second semester <i>Transferred from Action Plan 2024</i>
19.	Analysis: "Public-private partnerships in the educational and social sphere: support, benefits, challenges and recommendations"	Group 3	Committee on Social Policy Committee on Economic Policy	Second semester
20.	Opinion: "Grey economy in Bulgaria"	Groups 1 and 2	Committee on Macroeconomics, Budget and Finance Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of Living and Industrial Relations	Second semester October-November
21.	Analysis of policies and opportunities for horizontal support of humane specialists from the pedagogical and social sectors	Group 3	Committee on Social Policy	Second semester
22.	Analysis: "Assessment of the impact of the Social Services Act (on the quality of services, career development of social workers and budgetary efficiency)"	Group 3 Group 2 Group 1	Committee on Social Policy Committee on Macroeconomics, Budget and Finance	Second semester
23.	Opinion: "Measures for managing age differences in the workplace in the context of the competitiveness of enterprises in Bulgaria"	Group 3 Group 1 Group 2	Committee on Economic Policy Committee on Labour, Income, Standards of	Second semester

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III. Organization of consultations, discussions, conferences, round tables, seminars and other forms with representatives of the legislative and executive authorities and civil society structures on socially significant issues of economic and social development				
1.	Organization of 6 regional events in the process of Bulgaria's accession to the Eurozone and 1 national event			
2.	Discussions on the main priorities of the ESC			
3.	Discussion on: "Financial literacy – measures to improve awareness and raise financial culture, with a focus on young people"	Group 1		First semester
4.	Round table/Discussion related to the future vision for Europe (Draghi report/ EC's first 100 days)			
IV. International activity – cooperation with the EESC, bilateral and multilateral cooperation with national ESCs and other related national and international institutions				
1.	Bilateral discussion with the ESC of Spain on the labour market and artificial intelligence			April 2025
2.	Annual meeting, events and discussions with the EESC, AICESIS, UCESIF and national Economic and Social Councils and similar institutions			Year 2025
3.	Working meetings under the Erasmus initiative			Year 2025
4.	Civil Society Week 2025 - EESC			March 2025

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