Outline for Trio programme (DE-PT-SI) - November 2019

I. Protecting Citizens and Freedoms

Subtitle 1: A united Europe based on common European values¹

- 1. Strengthening democracy, human rights, rule of law & our open societal models, which are the foundation of European freedom, security and prosperity.
- 2. Political commitment to gender equality; equal opportunities for all; fight against all forms of discrimination including hate crimes; cultural, gender and sexual diversity.
- Supporting unity among member states and a common sense of purpose; principle of "sincere cooperation", subsidiarity and multi-level governance; regular dialogue with citizens, promoting youth participation in the decision-making process.
- 4. Protecting our societies from malicious cyber activities, hybrid threats and disinformation.
- 5. Ensuring respect of fundamental rights and common values in the process of digitalisation.

Subtitle 2: Migration, Border Management, Schengen, Police and justice cooperation

- 1. Achieving a permanent and predictable solution for migration.
 - Functioning, resilient and crisis-proof CEAS, balance of responsibility and solidarity.
 - Enhancing possibilities for legal migration; effective returns.
 - Fight illegal migration and human trafficking; addressing root causes of forced displacement/irregular migration; dialogue and cooperation with countries of origin and transit.
- 2. Schengen Ensure a strategic approach and restoring a fully functioning Schengen area.
- 3. External EU borders enhancing operationalization of new Frontex regulation.
- 4. Improving cooperation & information-sharing; further developing our common instruments (EU-Information Systems).
- 5. Enhancing police, customs & judicial cooperation in criminal and civil matters, continuing to strengthen our fight against terrorism and (violent) extremism and cross-border crime, improving cooperation with third countries.

Subtitle 3: Crisis management and civil protection

- 1. Civil Protection: Resilience against natural or man-made disasters; Further enhancement & development of the Union Civil Protection Mechanism (prevention, preparedness & response); Further support to the establishment & initial functioning of the EU Civil Protection Knowledge Network.
- 2. Enhancement of EU crisis management.

II. Developing our economic base: the European model for the future

- 1. A Single Market with a view to competitiveness, R&I, investment & job creation.
 - Better regulation, administrative burden reduction, implementation, application and enforcement of Single Market rules² in all its dimensions.
 - Improving the framework conditions and support for SMEs; EU SMEs Strategy.
 - Fair competition framework and fair taxation.
- 2. Deepening of the EMU in all its dimensions, including the Banking Union and the implementation of the Budgetary Instrument for Convergence and Competitiveness (BICC).

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¹ Possible element on envisioned Conference on the future of Europe.

² Reference to European Council conclusions, June 2017.

- 3. Shaping Europe's digital transformation and competitiveness.
 - Digital sovereignty, all aspects of Artificial Intelligence and its implications; infrastructure, connectivity, services, data (incl. free flow), regulation and investment, intellectual property and public administration.
 - Supporting added value of digitalisation based on sustainability, data ethics, data protection, data security, strengthened digital self-determination & skills.
- 4. EU Industrial Policy strategy: Analysis, implementation, monitoring, strategy; IPCEI.
- 5. Research and innovation for growth, jobs and to tackle societal challenges; reconceptualization and revitalization of ERA and reinforcing the links with the European Education Area.
- 6. Effective and flexible cohesion policy for strengthening investments in innovative and smart economic transformation, covering all beneficiary regions ³.
- 7. Fully implementing the Energy Union, inter alia through an integrated, interconnected and properly functioning European energy market; sustainable energy and transition to renewables; legislation on Internal Gas Market design and sector integration.
- 8. Safe, innovative and connective transport, including alternative fuels and drivetrains; cohesion, interoperability and sustainability of European connectivity through TEN-T.
- 9. Consumer Protection 5.0 Digitalisation, Sustainable Consumption and Enforcement.
- 10. Space Policy.

III. Building a climate-neutral, green, fair and social Europe

Subtitle 1: Building a climate-neutral and green Europe

- 1. Ensure a climate neutral economy by 2050 that will preserve European competitiveness and be just and socially balanced⁴, consistent with the Paris Agreement.
- 2. Promote a more resource-efficient circular economy, including waste management.
- 3. Protection & sustainable use of biodiversity & natural resources (forests, water, maritime sector incl. blue growth, oceans, and fisheries).
- 4. Promote sustainable agriculture (ensuring agriculture resilience and vitality of rural areas throughout EU territory) & bio economy; animal welfare.
- 5. Sustainable tourism.
- 6. Bring to life the 8th Environmental Action Program.
- 7. Implementation of the Agenda 2030 through all EU's internal and external policies.

Subtitle 2: Building a fair and social Europe

- 8. Strengthen European Social Model, ensuring implementation of Europ. Pillar of Social Rights.
- 9. Upward convergence in the EU, including a framework for national minimum wage regulations and basic social benefit schemes in the EU member states.
- 10. Supporting access to social protection and inclusion.
- 11. Future of work and working conditions, esp. in digital economy; tackling gender inequalities in the labour market.
- 12. Good healthcare by, inter alia, securing supply chain for medicines; better access to medicines, promoting investment in health society, including by promoting sports.
- 13. Deepening child and youth strategies, inter alia by fighting youth unemployment.

³ Reference to Art. 349 TFEU.

⁴ Subject to European Council conclusions in December 2019

- 14. Investing in skills, education, training and lifelong learning; further developing European Education Area.
- 15. Promoting the development of rural areas; strong cities and regions.
- 16. Tackling demographic challenges, strengthening intergenerational cooperation and dialogue.
- 17. Promoting human rights, decent work and sustainability in global supply chains.
- 18. Promoting the role of culture and media for building inclusive and cohesive societies.
- 19. Fostering a community policy for a citizen friendly Europe.

IV - Promoting Europe's interests and values in the world

- 1. Protect and reform rules-based multilateral order, support UN and other multilateral organisations.
- 2. Strengthening EU-Asia connectivity strategy.
- 3. Enhancing role of CFSP and increasing EU's capacity to act at international level, also by strengthening its role towards key partners, inter alia EU-China and transatlantic relations.
- 4. Continuing to promote open, ambitious, fair and rules-based trade relations, strengthening WTO, FTAs, investment protection, promote a level playing field and SDG's.
- 5. Strengthening the resilience of states and societies in our neighborhood, including disinformation and freedom of media.
- 6. Continuing enlargement process towards the Western Balkans.
- 7. Pursue an ambitious neighbourhood policy towards the East and the South.
- 8. Promote:
 - a comprehensive partnership with Africa;
 - EU-Latin America Relations, notably EU-MERCOSUR relations.
 - [Strong future relationship with UK.]
- 9. Strengthening EU international partnerships in the field of development.
- 10. Promote EU's leading role in the field of humanitarian aid.
- 11. Promoting the EU's international cultural relations.
- 12. Strengthening the European Role in Global Health, including at WHO.
- 13. Promoting the EU maritime security strategy, including capacity building.

Subtitle: CSDP

- 1. Promoting the implementation of the Civilian CSDP Compact.
- 2. Promoting a European Defence Union; ensuring coherence of the EU's defence initiatives.
- 3. Promoting a strategic integrated and shared understanding in area of security and defence, e.g. through initiating the process of a strategic reflection.
- 4. Promoting strategic capability planning, including ensuring a coherent capability profile.
- Enhance EU -NATO relations through liaison elements; focussing on hybrid threats on cyber defence, military mobility and capability planning.