

European Union (Withdrawal) Bill - Committee Stage

The European Union (Withdrawal) Bill returns to the House of Commons on Tuesday 14 November for its Committee stage, which will involve eight full days of debate on the floor of the House. The purpose of the Bill is to provide **certainty and continuity** by ensuring a functioning statute book on exit day.

If you would like further information about the Bill, how it relates to your organisation, or how you can engage with the Committee stage, please e-mail:

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During Committee stage Minister Steve Baker will be answering questions from businesses and civil society organisations about the Bill. This video has more information:



Trade Bill

The Trade Bill was introduced to Parliament on Tuesday 7 November. The Bill works to ensure that we will have the necessary tools in place to operate **our own trade policy** once we leave the EU. It will allow us to preserve the non-tariff elements of existing trade arrangements, preventing disruption to UK businesses and consumers and international trading partners.

See the Department for International Trade's letter to businesses [here](#).

November Negotiations

The most recent round of EU negotiations concluded on Friday 10 November. In his closing remarks, Secretary of State for Exiting the EU David Davis stated that in this round both sides succeeded in consolidating the progress made thus far and identified the key areas where further technical and political discussion is needed. He also stressed that we need to see flexibility and imagination in order to move talks onto the next phase.

The UK remains ready and willing to engage as often and as quickly as is needed to secure this outcome over the weeks remaining ahead of the December European Council.

See Secretary of State David Davis' full closing remarks [here](#).



Citizens' Rights

On Tuesday 7 November the government published the **proposed administrative procedures** for EU citizens obtaining settled status. This technical document outlines that the UK is designing a streamlined, user-friendly, digital application process.

See the full document [here](#).

Ministerial Business Engagement



Minister Robin Walker travelled to [Cardiff](#) on 6 November to meet with representatives from Welsh business, university, voluntary, and farming sectors to continue the government's **UK-wide engagement** on Brexit issues



Additionally, as part of the government's commitment to work with all parts of the UK on our withdrawal, the Minister also travelled to [Northern Ireland](#). Accompanied by Northern Ireland Minister Chloe Smith, he met with representatives from a number of key sectors, including higher education in Belfast and **heard firsthand** about the opportunities and challenges that the UK's exit from the EU could present to Northern Ireland.

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