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Juncker's work programme more focused on key priorities

The European Commission work programme for 2015 has a clear focus on key priorities, translating the political guidelines of the Juncker Commission into action. European companies support this clear focus on growth and jobs and competitiveness-enhancing rules. President Juncker and his team have also carried out a more realistic assessment of the chances for adoption for some of the pending legislative files.

Although we do miss some points and would have preferred a clearer visibility of others, we are aware that these might still follow. For instance, mainstreaming industrial competitiveness in all relevant policies should become a standard procedure from now on.

Commenting on this work programme, BUSINESSEUROPE Director General Markus J. Beyrer said: "Jean-Claude Juncker and Frans Timmermans have understood that being big on big things, and small on small things, requires blunt decisions and political courage. After the first headwinds, such political courage will ultimately pay off with a good return on investment, namely growth and jobs."

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