Basic information

2024/0260(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	Awaiting final decision
EU-Uzbekistan Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement Accompanying procedure 2024/0260M(NLE) **Subject** 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40.04.06 Relations with central Asian countries **Geographical area** Uzbekistan	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	KYUCHYUK Ilhan (Renew)	13/05/2025
	Shadow rapporteur LOPATKA Reinhold (EPP) MANDA Claudiu (S&D) VALET Matthieu (PfE) GAMBINO Alberico (ECR) NIINISTÖ Ville (Greens/EFA) GEORGIOU Giorgos (The Left) STOYANOV Stanislav (ESN)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
DEVE Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
INTA International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

European

Commission DG	Commissioner

Commission	European External Action Service	KALLAS Kaja

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
18/10/2024	Preparatory document	COM(2024)0472	
30/10/2025	Legislative proposal published	09190/2025	Summary
24/11/2025	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/04/2026	Vote in committee		
20/04/2026	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A10-0102/2026	
19/05/2026	Debate in Parliament		
20/05/2026	Decision by Parliament	T10-0173/2026	Summary
20/05/2026	Results of vote in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2024/0260(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legislative instrument	Decision
Amendments and repeals	Accompanying procedure 2024/0260M(NLE)
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 209-p2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 209-p1 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p7
Stage reached in procedure	Awaiting final decision
Committee dossier	AFET/10/01355

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE781.380	13/01/2026	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A10-0102/2026	20/04/2026	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T10-0173/2026	20/05/2026	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	09190/2025	30/10/2025	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2024)0471	18/10/2024	
Preparatory document	COM(2024)0472	18/10/2024	

Additional information		
Source	**Document**	**Date**
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

EU-Uzbekistan Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

2024/0260(NLE) - 30/10/2025 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude, on behalf of the Union, the enhanced partnership and cooperation agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, on the other hand.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (EPAC) between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, on the other hand, was signed subject to its conclusion.

The Agreement constitutes an important step towards enhancing the EU's political and economic engagement with Central Asia. By strengthening political dialogue and improving cooperation across a wide range of areas, it will serve as the basis for a more effective bilateral relationship with the Republic of Uzbekistan.

The agreement should be approved on behalf of the Union.

CONTENT: the Council's proposal concerns the approval, on behalf of the Union, of the enhanced partnership and cooperation agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part.

This Agreement establishes an enhanced partnership and cooperation between the Parties, based on shared values, on common interests and on the ambition to strengthen their relationship in all areas of its application, to their mutual benefit.

This partnership and cooperation is a process between the Parties that contributes to sustainable development, peace, stability and security, through increased convergence on foreign and security policy, effective political and economic cooperation and multilateralism.

The EPCA:

- covers the EU's standard clauses on human rights, the International Criminal Court (ICC), Weapons of Mass Destructions (WMD), Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), and counter-terrorism;

- encompasses cooperation in areas such as health, environment, climate change, energy, tax, education and culture, labour, employment and social affairs, science and technology, and transport;

- addresses legal cooperation, the rule of law, money laundering and terrorist financing, organised crime and corruption.

The trade component of the agreement should ensure a better regulatory environment for economic operators and thus bring substantial economic benefits to EU companies.

The Agreement sets up an institutional framework composed of a Cooperation Council, Cooperation Committee, and Parliamentary Cooperation Committee, an Intellectual Property Rights Sub-Committee, and allows for the establishment of sub-committees and other bodies to assist the Cooperation Council. It also establishes a fulfilment of obligations mechanism to address failure by one of the Parties to fulfil obligations assumed under the Agreement.

For the purposes of the Agreement, modifications to the Agreement through decisions related to geographical indications of the Cooperation Council acting in its trade configuration shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union. Where interested parties cannot reach an agreement following objections relating to a geographical indication, the Commission shall adopt a position on the basis of the procedure laid down in Article 88(2) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council on geographical indications relating to wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products.

A name protected under sub-section 2 ‘Geographical Indications’ of Section 2 of Chapter 7 of Title IV of the Agreement may be used by any operator marketing agricultural products, foodstuffs, wines, aromatised wines or spirits conforming to the corresponding specification.

EU-Uzbekistan Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

2024/0260(NLE) - 20/05/2026 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 493 votes to 104, with 45 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision relating to the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (EPA) between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part.

Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the agreement.

The agreement represents an important step towards increased political and economic engagement by the Union in Central Asia. By strengthening political dialogue and improving cooperation across a wide range of areas, it will serve as the basis for a more effective bilateral relationship with the Republic of Uzbekistan.

This agreement establishes an enhanced partnership and cooperation between the Parties, based on shared values, on common interests and on the ambition to strengthen their relationship in all areas of its application, to their mutual benefit. This partnership and cooperation is a process between the Parties that contributes to sustainable development, peace, stability and security, through increased convergence on foreign and security policy, effective political and economic cooperation and multilateralism.

The EPCA covers the EU’s standard clauses on human rights, the International Criminal Court (ICC), Weapons of Mass Destructions (WMD), Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), and counter-terrorism. It also encompasses cooperation in areas such as health, environment, climate change, energy, tax, education and culture, labour, employment and social affairs, science and technology, and transport.

The agreement also addresses legal cooperation, the rule of law, money laundering and terrorist financing, organised crime and corruption. The trade component of the agreement should ensure a better regulatory environment for economic operators and thus bring substantial economic benefits to EU companies.

At the same time, Parliament adopted a non-legislative resolution on the conclusion of the EU-Uzbekistan enhanced partnership and cooperation agreement.