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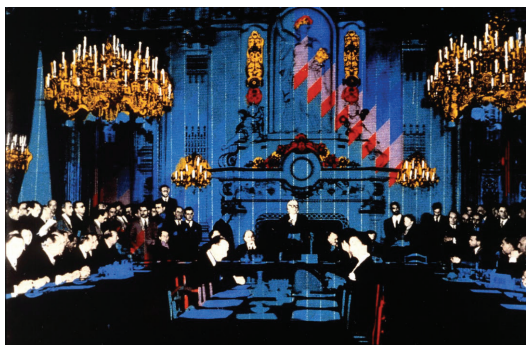
Welcome to the first edition of *The Pulse*. Your newsletter from the Council of the EU.

With all eyes on the European Union during the coronavirus pandemic, we want to open a window on what is happening over here - both centre stage and behind the scenes.

In our regular newsletters, we will take the pulse of EU action and share with you the debates that impact our lives - including beyond the current health crisis. We want to bring you facts, figures and explanations about the big topics being discussed and provide a look behind the scenes and share useful information (e.g. internships opportunities, interesting events and initiatives) and reading tips for those who want to dive deeper into the most pressing issues.

We don't want this to be a one-way street - so please get in [touch with us](#) and tell us what you think, and what you would like to read about in the future.

News



War, peace and rivals: the birth of European solidarity

This weekend is the 70th anniversary of the Schuman Declaration. It established peace and solidarity as the founding principles of the EU. Here is the story of former rivals uniting for a common future.

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10 things the EU is doing to fight the coronavirus

Find out what the European Union is doing to reduce the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, protect people and the economy and promote solidarity.

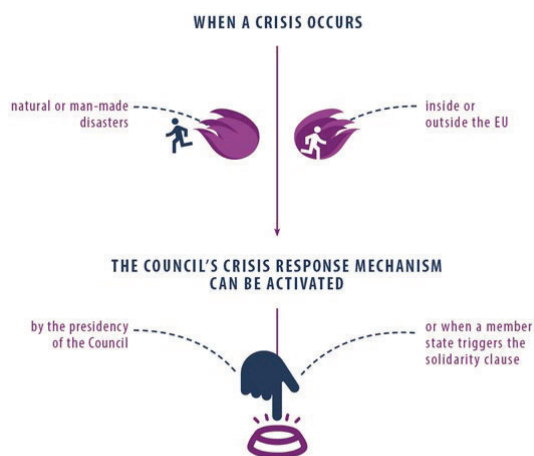
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Explanation corner

What is the IPCR, the Council's response to a crisis?

That's right - another EU acronym! Don't worry, we'll explain exactly what it means. IPCR stands for 'Integrated Political Crisis Response'.

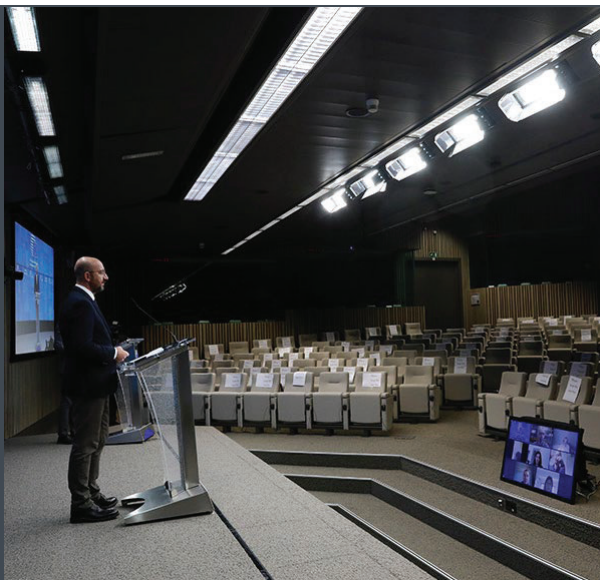
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A look behind the scenes

Virtual decision-making as the new coronavirus reality for EU leaders

How has the Council adapted to the disruptive effects of coronavirus on working practices to ensure that it can



still operate and take decisions?

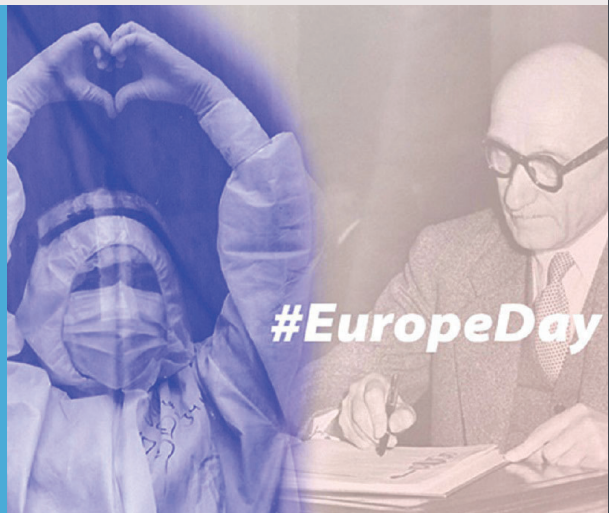
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The Council and You

Let's pay tribute to today's European heroes

70 years after the Schuman Declaration we pay tribute to those of us who are making history today by fighting the virus.

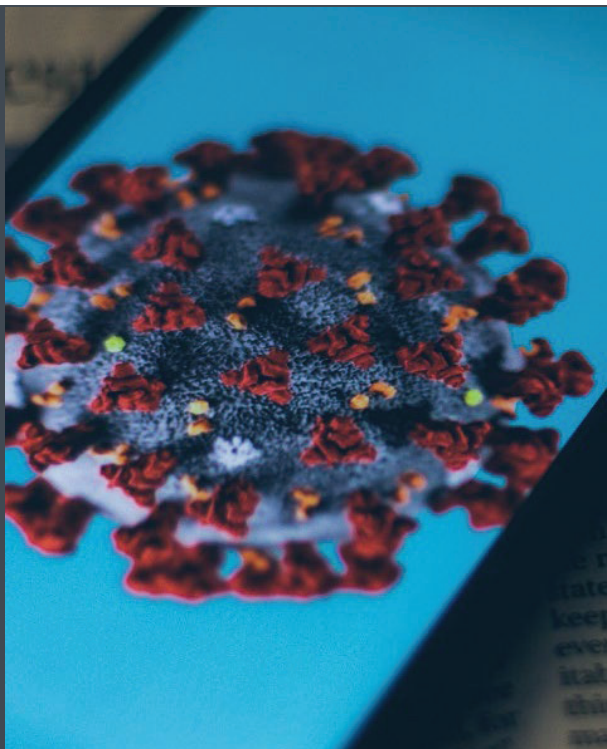
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Worth a long read

Corona crisis: a look behind the daily news and figures

What impact will the COVID-19 pandemic have on our workers, jobs, healthcare, on the economy or the current world order? Read about Swedish reluctance to impose lock-down, green recovery and how to motivate people to keep social distancing. Stay on top of the latest think tank research on COVID-19 with this [regularly updated list](#) produced by the Council library.



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