

Public consultation on summertime arrangements

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Introduction

Following a number of requests from citizens, from the European Parliament, and from certain EU Member States, the Commission has decided to investigate the functioning of the current EU summertime arrangements and to assess whether or not they should be changed.

In this context, the Commission is interested in gathering the views of European citizens, stakeholders and Member States on the current EU summertime arrangements and on any potential change to those arrangements.

More background information on the summertime arrangements can be found [on the consultation webpage](#).

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* You are replying

- as an individual in your personal capacity / as a citizen
- on behalf of a Member State or public authority
- on behalf of a stakeholder or business, including SME's and consumer organisations

Your opinion

* What is your overall experience with the switching from wintertime to summertime on the last Sunday of March and from summertime back to wintertime on the last Sunday of October?

- Very positive
- Positive
- No opinion
- Negative
- Very negative

* Evidence suggests that common EU rules in this area are very important to ensure the proper functioning of the internal market. In order to ensure such common rules also for the future, which of the following alternatives would you favour:

- Keeping the current EU arrangements switching between summer and wintertime for all EU Member States
- Abolishing the switching for all EU Member States?

* For what reason?

- energy saving / lack of energy saving
- human health
- leisure activities in the evening
- road safety
- functioning of the internal market (cross border trade, transport organisation, communications, ...)
- other (please specify)

Please specify 'Other'

100 character(s) maximum

switching between summer and wintertime causes a lot different problems

* If you would prefer to keep/abolish the switching, how important is it for you to see that happening? *Please rate from 0 – 10 (0 = not an important issue; 10 = very important issue)*

Please answer this question in relation to your previous choice: either to maintain or abolish the summertime arrangements with biannual time switches

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* If the switching were to be abolished, what option would you prefer? To abolish the switching and stick with:

- permanent summertime (clocks are advanced one hour compared to wintertime)
- permanent wintertime
- no opinion / I don't know

Final remarks

Please provide any additional information or remarks you may have on this matter.

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[Consultation page \(https://ec.europa.eu/info/consultations/2018-summertime-arrangements\)](https://ec.europa.eu/info/consultations/2018-summertime-arrangements)

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