



Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you regarding the EU Commission proposal to end seasonal clock changes in 2021 which was published 12 September 2018. Details of the proposal are available at https://ec.europa.eu/transport/themes/summertime_en. The proposal as outlined is:

- the last mandatory change to Summertime would take place on 28 March 2021 after which,
- Member States who wish to remain on Wintertime would make one last seasonal clock change on 30 October 2021.
- Members States will remain free to choose their Standard time, on the condition that they give 18 months' notice to the Commission.

This Department has established an Interdepartmental Steering Group to consider the Commission's proposal and guide a public consultation exercise involving all relevant stakeholders. Your organisation has been identified as a stakeholder with a possible interest in this matter.

Although negotiations are ongoing, at this point I would be grateful for your views in relation to the above proposal. Further information regarding the proposal is available at http://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/Pages/Consultation_on_Seasonal_Clock_Changes

You can make a submission to timeconsultation@justice.ie or by completing the survey at the above link. The consultation process will remain open until 30 November 2018.

Officials in this Department are available to discuss this proposal or to meet with you should you wish to contact us at the above email address.

Yours sincerely

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