

When will the Rules of Procedure of the UPC be available?

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a. **When will there be a public consultation on a draft set of Rules of Procedure?**

A detailed draft set of Rules of Procedure has been developed by a group of experts consisting of judges and lawyers. The Preparatory Committee organises a broad consultation with stakeholders on the draft Rules of Procedure. The consultation will run at least three months.

b. **What will happen after the consultation?**

The outcome of the consultation will be evaluated by the expert group and then by the Preparatory Committee. The Commission will be requested to give its opinion on the compatibility with Union Law. Thereafter the Rules of Procedure will be adopted by the Administrative Committee of the UPC.

The Administrative Committee will be composed of one representative of each Member State and will adopt its decisions by a majority of three quarters.