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Amendment 26

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Deplores the Eurogroup decisions taken behind closed doors without transparency and proper accountability; calls for the minutes of the Eurogroup meetings to be published; recalls the conclusion of its report on the troika's activities deploring the Eurogroup's absence of EU-level democratic legitimacy and accountability when it assumes EU-level executive powers;

Or. en

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Recital D a (new)

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Da. whereas equality is a founding value of the EU and a necessary condition for achieving the Europe 2020 employment and poverty reduction targets, which can only be attained if Member States implement new policies to promote gender equality;

Or. en

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Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

Ia. Points out that a revision of the EU economic governance framework should include, inter alia, a qualified treatment for investments, using capital budgeting methods such as the amortised cost method for accounting certain categories of high-quality public investments generating large and measurable societal and environmental benefits over periods during which employment and output are below their potential;

Or. en

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Paragraph 3 a (new)

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3a. Welcomes the fact that the Commission is publishing its country-specific and euro area analysis three months earlier than in previous years, but is worried that the country reports are too complex, hindering the democratic participation of civil society organisations in the process;

Or. en

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Paragraph 4 a (new)

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4a. Is strongly concerned that the Commission has dropped almost all of the recommendations on environmentally harmful subsidies, environmental tax reform and the promotion of renewable energies from the CSRs; regrets, in particular, that the 2015 country-specific recommendations did not address fossil fuel subsidies, which account for EUR 70 billion within the EU and are a double negative, cutting public budgets and harming the transition to a low-carbon economy; urges the Commission to reverse direction with a view to greening the European Semester;

Or. en

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4b. Favours an enhanced process regarding the elaboration, follow-up and monitoring of country-specific recommendations; believes that the Commission should explicitly identify recommendations aimed at fulfilling updated and ambitious Europe 2020 national targets; recalls that the legislation enshrines the principle according to which Member States have to 'comply with or explain' these recommendations; calls in that perspective for Member States to explain how alternative policy measures can help achieve the national Europe 2020 targets in a measurable way if the recommendations are not followed;

Or. en

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4c. Asks the Commission to add to the three-pillar strategy, presented in the 2015 Annual Growth Survey, a fourth pillar on taxation, which would include a yearly monitoring mechanism covering, for example, developments regarding tax fraud and evasion, the state of play of environmental taxation and subsidy reform, and measures put in place at both national and European level to address specific CSRs for improving tax justice;

Or. en

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4d. Asks for the inclusion of additional social and environmental indicators, which should be on at least an equal footing with the rest of the Macroeconomic Imbalances Procedure (MIP) indicators; is of the opinion that such indicators must also be able to trigger corrective action and not merely ‘monitor’ the overall socioeconomic situation; insists that excessive unemployment, inequality and poverty are also threatening to cause imbalances in the eurozone; recalls its repeated requests to adopt indicators regarding resource efficiency, indicators on unit capital costs and other indicators relevant for monitoring progress towards updated Europe 2020 objectives, including non-cost competitiveness-related indicators in fields such as R&D, education and training;

Or. en

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9a. Underlines that integrating a resource efficiency indicator into the MIP scoreboard should in particular facilitate monitoring of progress made towards the decoupling of economic development from the use of natural resources;

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Paragraph 15 a (new)

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15a. Emphasises that, according to the Commission, labour taxes account for around 53 % of total tax revenue in the euro area as against 5.7 % for environmental taxation; points out that there is wide scope for such environmentally friendly fiscal reform; urges, therefore, that an updated Europe 2020 strategy, as well as the CSRs, should include specific targets and benchmarks both for monitoring the phasing-out of market-distorting environmentally harmful subsidies by 2020 at the latest and for increasing the share of environmental taxes in proportion to overall tax revenue by at least 5 % by 2020;

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15b. Reiterates its call on the Member States to incorporate the gender dimension into their stability and convergence programmes and national reform programmes through the setting of qualitative targets and measures that address persisting gender gaps, and to systematically apply the principles of gender budgeting;

Or. en