

Amendment 31**Jordi Solé**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Report**Jan Olbrycht, Isabelle Thomas**The next MFF: Preparing the Parliament's position on the MFF post-2020
2017/2052(INI)**A8-0048/2018****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 89***Motion for a resolution*

89. Stresses that cohesion policy post-2020 should remain the main investment policy of the European Union covering all EU regions, in order to tackle complex socio-economic challenges while concentrating the majority of the resources on the most vulnerable regions; believes that, beyond the goal of reducing the disparities between levels of development and enhancing convergence as enshrined in the Treaty, cohesion policy should focus on the achievement of the EU's broad EU political objectives and proposes, therefore, that under the next MFF, the three cohesion policy funds – the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), the European Social Fund (ESF) and the Cohesion Fund – should concentrate mainly on providing support for growth and competitiveness, research and innovation, digitalisation, industrial transition, SMEs, transport, climate change mitigation and adaptation, environmental sustainability and just energy transition, employment, social inclusion, gender equality, poverty reduction, and demographic challenges; stresses that the three funds represent the integral components of EU cohesion policy, and can only operate jointly under the single framework of this policy; calls, moreover, for a reinforced territorial cooperation,

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89. Stresses that cohesion policy post-2020 should remain the main investment policy of the European Union covering all EU regions ***and urban areas with high levels of poverty and social exclusion***, in order to tackle complex socio-economic challenges while concentrating the majority of the resources on the most vulnerable regions; believes that, beyond the goal of reducing the disparities between levels of development and enhancing convergence as enshrined in the Treaty, cohesion policy should focus on the achievement of the EU's broad EU political objectives and proposes, therefore, that under the next MFF, the three cohesion policy funds – the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), the European Social Fund (ESF) and the Cohesion Fund – should concentrate mainly on providing support for growth and competitiveness, research and innovation, digitalisation, industrial transition, SMEs, transport, climate change mitigation and adaptation, environmental sustainability and just energy transition, employment, social inclusion, gender equality, poverty reduction, and demographic challenges; stresses that the three funds represent the integral components of EU cohesion policy, and can only operate jointly under the single

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framework of this policy; calls, moreover, for a reinforced territorial cooperation, including a cross-border *and transnational* component, *obligatory for all Member States and aimed at fostering mutual learning and the exchange of good practices, and* an urban dimension for the policy, as well as dedicated provisions for rural, mountain, island and remote areas;

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93. Highlights that the ESF in particular should expand its support to the development of social dialogue, namely by improving the capacity building of social partners, including European sectoral and intersectoral levels, and that this commitment should become compulsory for Member States in all the regions of the EU; ***recalls that to effectively meet the ESF objectives of combating poverty and social exclusion and of promoting inclusive education and employment, it is necessary to strengthen the institutional capacity of Managing Authorities and capacity building for all relevant stakeholders delivering education, lifelong learning, training, employment and social policies;***

Or. en

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94. Emphasises in particular the continuous need to fight youth unemployment and exclusion, especially among young people not in education, employment or training (NEETs), as part of a comprehensive approach to youth policies at EU level; calls, therefore, for the Youth Employment Initiative envelope to be doubled, as well as for the full implementation of the EU Youth Guarantee, while ensuring quick and simplified deployment of funds and permanent and stable financing in the next programming period; underlines the need for an improved regulation in order to safeguard non-discriminatory participation in the programme for young people coming from a disadvantaged socio-economic background; considers that investment to boost education and training, especially the development of digital literacy, remains one of the top priorities of the EU; insists that this programme must not replace expenditure previously financed by national budgets;

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Paragraph 100 a (new)

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100a. Is of the opinion that funding for programmes that contribute to the further development of an area where equality and the rights of persons, as enshrined in the Treaty, the Charter and international human rights conventions, are promoted and protected, such as 'rights, equality and citizenship' programmes, should be increased; considers that the latter should be increased fivefold and that DAPHNE, which aims to contribute to the protection of children, young people and women against all forms of violence, should be given a separate budget line and an autonomous programme, with a budget ten times its current size;

Or. en

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100b. Calls, furthermore, on the Commission to create a dedicated and separate budget line under the title 'Promote equality between women and men and gender mainstreaming' in order to implement gender budgeting;

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101. Affirms that a modernised common agricultural policy is fundamental for food security and autonomy, the preservation of rural populations and employment, sustainable development, environmental, agricultural and forestry sustainability, and the provision of healthy, high-quality and affordable food products for Europeans; points out that food and health requirements have increased, as well as the need to support farmers' transition towards environmentally friendly farming practices and to tackle climate change; highlights the need to support farmers' income security and strengthen the link between the CAP and the delivery of public goods; underlines that the CAP is one of the most integrated policies and is mainly financed at EU level and, therefore, replaces national spending;

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102. Stresses that the CAP budget in the next MFF should be at least maintained at its current level for the EU-27 at constant prices; stresses that the new challenges to be faced by the next CAP call for a sound financial allocation based on analyses of current policy and future needs; underlines that direct payments generate clear EU added value and strengthen the single market by avoiding distortions of competition between Member States; opposes any renationalisation and any national cofinancing for direct payments in that respect; stresses the need to continue measures maintaining production in sectors that are vital for vulnerable areas, to reform the agricultural crisis reserve, to **increase funding in line with responses** to the various cyclical crises in sensitive sectors, to create new instruments that can mitigate price volatility and to increase funding for Programmes of Options Specifically Relating to Remoteness and Insularity (POSEI); urges the Commission to continue the process of convergence of direct payments and to ensure the necessary financial and legal framework for the food supply chain in order to combat unfair trading practices; points out that rural areas in the EU face serious problems and therefore need specific

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to ensure the necessary financial and legal framework for the food supply chain in order to combat unfair trading practices; points out that rural areas in the EU face serious problems and therefore need specific support;

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Paragraph 109

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109. Is ready to consider a simplified and streamlined architecture for the external financing instruments as long as it enhances transparency, accountability, efficiency, coherence and flexibility, and respects the objectives of the underlying policies; calls for maintaining separate dedicated instruments for Pre-accession Assistance, for the Neighbourhood, for Development and for Humanitarian aid by reason of their specific political and financial features; notes that such architecture should include a budgeted EDF on top of the agreed ceilings without the African Peace Facility, and a more transparent incorporation of relevant trust funds and facilities;

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113. *Believes that the next MFF must support the establishment of a European Defence Union; looks forward to the relevant legislative proposals, following the Commission's announcements in this areas, including a dedicated EU defence research programme and an industrial development programme complemented by Member States' investment in collaborative equipment; reaffirms, in this context, its strong conviction that additional political priorities should be coupled with additional financial means; recalls that increased defence cooperation, the pooling of research and equipment and the elimination of duplications will **boost the strategic autonomy** and **competitiveness of Europe's defence industry** and lead to considerable efficiency gains, often estimated at around EUR 26 billion per year;*

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113. ***Calls on the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) and the Member States to unlock the full potential of the Lisbon Treaty as regards the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP); rejects plans to increase defence expenditure in Europe via the EU budget and calls on the Member States to pool national resources extensively and to cooperate on defence research, development, procurement, security of supply, maintenance and training via instruments such as an extended Athena mechanism; recalls that increased defence cooperation, the pooling of research and equipment and the elimination of duplications will **help establish an efficient European defence market and guarantee the availability of reliable high-quality equipment for European armed forces, and will** lead to considerable efficiency gains, often estimated at around EUR 26 billion per year;***

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