Amendment 16
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Motion for a resolution
Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Vа. whereas it is important to combat weeds, plant pests and plant diseases; whereas without treatment, such weeds and diseases have a detrimental impact on the cultivation of crops and run the risk of crops developing secondary impacts and effects, such as mycotoxins, which can survive in the finished product and present a serious risk to human and animal health;

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Or. en
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Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas authorisation decisions on newly developed active substances and plant protection products are invariably made under uncertainty regarding real-life impacts; whereas there is a lack of monitoring post-authorisation; whereas data are missing on exact quantities of each plant protection product applied, on the implementation and effectiveness of mitigation measures, and on the potential harmful effects on human and animal health and the environment;

Amendment

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Or. en
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Amendment 18
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Recital Y

Motion for a resolution

Y. whereas the lack of data concerns deleted
the real-life impacts of active substances,
safeners, synergists and co-formulants
and their metabolites, as well as
formulations and mixtures of products;
whereas, therefore, the full impact of
pesticides on human and animal health as
well as on the environment is not properly
known;

Amendment

Or. en
9.1.2019

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Recital Z

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

Z. whereas the pilot project ‘Environmental monitoring of pesticide use through honey bees’ has not been implemented yet, despite its inclusion in the Union budget for the financial years 2017 and 2018;

Or. en
Motion for a resolution
Recital AD

AD. whereas there is currently no legal obligation to test active substances for their developmental neurotoxicity (DNT), examples of which include causing autism, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and dyslexia; whereas developmental toxicity and neurotoxicity studies are required and may trigger studies with ad hoc study design to address specific concerns; whereas in this context, EFSA is working on an ongoing project to develop non-animal alternatives for screening developmental neurotoxicity (DNT), effects;

Or. en
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Motion for a resolution
Recital AJ

Motion for a resolution

AJ. whereas concern in terms of transparency and conflicts of interest has been raised by several stakeholders about the right of applicants to choose the Rapporteur Member State (RMS) upon first application for approval of an active substance;

Amendment

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Or. en
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Motion for a resolution
Recital AJ a (new)

Motion for a resolution

AJa. whereas the methodologies used for the scientific assessment of active substances, in the form of the guidance used by EFSA and the Member States, do not always reflect the most up-to-date state of scientific and technical knowledge as required by Article 4 of the Regulation; whereas Commission Regulation (EU) No 283/2013, which sets out the minimum data requirements for the approval of active substances, should be regularly updated in order to take into account up-to-date scientific and technical knowledge; whereas the Commission Communication 2013/C95/01 remains the most comprehensive source of guidance documents and test guidelines, although several of the documents listed may have been superseded and should be updated; whereas the existing regulatory framework offers adequate flexibility to ensure that any validated test can be used when provided with sufficient scientific justification;

Or. en
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Motion for a resolution
Recital AK

Motion for a resolution

AK. whereas concern in terms of transparency and conflicts of interest has furthermore been raised by several stakeholders over the fact that the RMS given responsibility by the Commission for the renewal of an assessment report may be the same one which did the initial draft assessment report;
Motion for a resolution
Recital AK a (new)

Motion for a resolution

AKa. whereas the European Court of Justice, in its ruling in Case T-257/07, states that ‘In determining the level of risk deemed unacceptable for society, the institutions are bound by their obligation to ensure a high level of protection of public health, safety and the environment. That high level of protection does not necessarily, in order to be compatible with that provision, have to be the highest that is technically possible. Moreover, those institutions may not take a purely hypothetical approach to risk and may not base their decisions on a “zero risk”;’

Or. en
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Motion for a resolution
Recital AKb (new)

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

AKb. whereas the Commission, with the support of the Member States, approves active substances – even though EFSA believes they could pose high risks to the environment and biodiversity – as long as safe uses are demonstrated and a cautious safety margin is applied, taking into account agricultural need and giving due consideration to the actual dose and technology used to apply them;

Or. en