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Amendment 1

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Declaration of 9 May 1950, which stated that the creation of the European Coal and Steel Community represented the ‘first step in the federation of Europe’,

Or. es

Amendment 2

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Charter of fundamental rights of the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 3

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Citation 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 13 March 2014 on the implementation of the Treaty of Lisbon with respect to the European Parliament,

Amendment 4

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Citation 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the report to the European Council by the Reflection Group on the Future of the EU 2030,

Or. es

Amendment 5

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Citation 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the report by the five Presidents (Commission, Council, Eurogroup, Parliament and ECB) on completing the Economic and Monetary Union,

Or. es

Amendment 6

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the report by the Committee on Legal Affairs on the Annual reports 2012-2013 on subsidiarity

and proportionality (A8-0301/2015), and to the opinion on that report of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs (2014/2252(INI));

Or. pl

Amendment 7
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major challenges, which no Member State can tackle on its own;

Amendment

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major challenges, which no Member State can tackle on its own, ***and this requires deepening progress along the federal route;***

Or. es

Amendment 8
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major challenges, which ***no Member State can tackle on its own;***

Amendment

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major challenges, ***for which it should be further examined whether these challenges can be tackled individually by the Member States or rather benefit from a collective response from the Union;***

Or. en

Amendment 9
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major challenges, which no *Member State* can *tackle on its own*;

Amendment

A. whereas the European Union and its Member States are facing major *and urgent* challenges, which *Member States could better address within the framework of variable-geometry and variable-geography cooperation - à la carte Europe - rather than within that of a fast-track, supranational integration based on a largely outdated ideology, the mandatory intermediary of the EU in many areas having essentially generated: mutual paralysis, political impotence, economic, social and moral ‘disarmament’, mass unemployment and poverty, cultural and identity-related anxiety and a great step backwards as far as democracy is concerned so that no one dares to hope that Europe as it is today can still provide either protection or prosperity or even the peace that has so often been promised*;

Or. fr

Amendment 10
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas the further exploitation of the Lisbon Treaty is an attempt to further undermine Member State sovereignty, e.g., by switching in an increasing number of areas from unanimity to qualified majority voting, by increasing economic dependence through the

Amendment

establishment of a fiscal union, and by the lasting irreconcilability of the EU institutions with subsidiarity and democracy; therefore, and taking into account the results of the European elections of 2014, the potential of the Lisbon Treaty should be blocked rather than expanded;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the European Union, due to the economic, financial and social crisis and to the measures adopted to address it, is experiencing an increased distrust and disillusion by its citizens towards the European project as a whole; whereas in order to address this criticism, regain legitimacy and rebuild the trust and confidence of the European citizens in the European Union, in the spirit of the Preamble of the Treaty on the European Union, the EU should redefine its priorities by giving primary consideration to the promotion of civil and social rights as enshrined in the Treaties and the EU Charter of fundamental rights, also providing for the involvement of civil society in decision-making and implementation processes;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the new settlement for the UK within the European Union proposed by President Tusk ignores the legal and institutional framework foreseen in the Treaties to modify the existing Treaties (article 48 TEU);

Or. en

Amendment 13
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the European Union is experiencing a recurrent ‘crisis of legitimacy’ or of ‘democratic deficit’ and effectiveness in combating the economic crisis that is having an effect in terms of European voter abstention in European elections and the increased presence of Eurosceptic or openly anti-European political forces in the European Parliament and the Member States;

Or. es

Amendment 14
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas it has now been demonstrated that we are not necessarily

stronger together; whereas the Brezhnev doctrine of 'limited sovereignty' and thinking in terms of major blocs are largely outdated and obsolete; whereas a seven-year old child can understand that twenty-eight stunted sovereignties will never make a single European sovereignty, no matter how often this is invoked spell-like in European Parliament resolutions; whereas old notions of size, scope, scale and critical mass were relevant in the nineteenth and in part of the twentieth centuries, but for a long time now there has been no necessary relation between mass and power; whereas in a world of intense and rapid global economic relations, advanced technology, instant communications and miniaturisation, power now resides in networks, technological advantage and influence and, in the case of a political organisation, such as a State or a union of States, this list should also include political will and social and national cohesion - all of which we should have sought to protect as our most precious assets, rather than to dismantle, if our ambition was to create a strong Europe;

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas the ideal of peace and the demand for justice, on which the construction of a united Europe was based from the outset, made it essential scrupulously to preserve the democratic qualities patiently developed by its constituent nations; whereas, however, as everyone can see, the loss of national

democracy has not so far been offset by the emergence of a true ‘European’ democracy in the absence of a single demos; whereas the regime resulting from the Lisbon Treaty, pushed through against the wishes of the only three nations - France, the Netherlands and Ireland - consulted by referendum, reveals much more than just growing pains: a chronic lack of legitimacy of the EU institutions, the extremely technological development of power, the dangerous entanglement of executive, legislative and judicial powers, impracticable national or European parliamentary scrutiny, inconsistent political accountability, the lack of a European political culture and therefore of a transnational public communication arena, a perceptible vulnerability to globalised private influences, the growing distrust of the peoples and public opinion with regard to the Union, its legislation and of the parties which support the project and the increasingly alarming identity-based reactions taking many different forms;

Or. fr

Amendment 16
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential; whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, emphasising a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 17
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the provisions *of* the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential; whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, emphasising a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);

Amendment

B. whereas the provisions *offered by* the Lisbon Treaty *and its protocols with a view to improving the functioning of the EU to benefit its citizens* have not yet been exploited to their full potential; whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, emphasising a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);

Or. es

Amendment 18
Mercedes Bresso, Elmar Brok

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential; *whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, emphasising a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);*

Amendment

B. whereas the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential *and this resolution aims only to provide an assessment of the legal possibilities in the Treaties to improve the functioning of the European Union;*

Or. en

Amendment 19
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the *provisions of* the Lisbon

Amendment

B. whereas the *subsidiarity principle*

Treaty *have* not yet been exploited to *their* full potential; *whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, emphasising a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);*

within the Lisbon Treaty *has* not yet been exploited to *its* full potential;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential; whereas some proposals can only be fully realised by Treaty change, *emphasising* a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);

Amendment

B. whereas the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential; whereas some proposals *seeking to address these challenges and strengthen the integration of the Union* can only be fully realised by Treaty change; *whereas provision should be made for* a two-step approach to EU reform (within and beyond the Treaties);

Or. fr

Amendment 21
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ba. whereas the dominating role of the European Council amounts to a continuing rejection of the Community method with its dual legitimacy concept;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 22
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Community method *must be preserved and not be undermined by intergovernmental solutions, not even in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;*

Amendment

C. whereas *one factor adding to the EU's institutional crisis is the prevalence of intergovernmentalism, both institutional and political, as opposed to the Community method, which represents the common European interest; whereas the Commission's role should be strengthened so that it can play its part as the engine of the Community method fully and effectively;*

Or. es

Amendment 23
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Community method *must be preserved and not be undermined by intergovernmental solutions, not even in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;*

Amendment

C. whereas the Community method *should be an added value to the various intergovernmental methods, the former respecting the sovereignty of the European States and the latter preventing alienation from supranational goals and responsibilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 24
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Community method must be preserved and not ***be undermined by intergovernmental solutions, not even*** in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;

Amendment

C. whereas the Community method must be preserved and not ***weakened by recourse to intergovernmental decisions, including*** in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;

Or. fr

Amendment 25
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Community method ***must be preserved*** and ***not be undermined by intergovernmental solutions, not even in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;***

Amendment

C. whereas ***in terms of results - economic, political, cultural and democratic - the Community method is a total failure and plain common sense as well as a desire for effectiveness that should inform the actions and thinking of European public officials more than ever should prevent them from clinging obstinately to the dangerous supra-nationalist ideology of forced integration and thus lead them to favour free cooperation between sovereign partners in an à la carte Europe which finally respects democracies and the splendid vitality of Europe in all its diversity;***

Or. fr

Amendment 26
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Community method must be preserved ***and not be undermined by intergovernmental solutions, not even in areas where not all Member States fulfil the conditions for participation;***

Amendment

C. whereas the Community method must be preserved;

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ca. whereas the internal market, facilitating the free movement of goods, persons, services and capital is a cornerstone of the EU;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 28

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the European Parliament is the ***parliament of the whole Union*** and plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Amendment

D. whereas the European Parliament is the ***only directly elected EU body and it is therefore the heart of democracy at the Union level*** and plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Or. es

Amendment 29
Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union and plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Amendment

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union, ***democratically elected by direct universal suffrage***, and plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU ***decisions, including through finding ways to guarantee the democratic accountability of eurozone-specific actions and*** decisions;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union and plays an essential role ***in ensuring*** the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Amendment

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union and plays an essential role ***since it was supposed to ensure*** the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions; ***whereas, however, as the German Constitutional Court has recalled: 'Even in the new wording of Article 14.2 Lisbon TEU, and contrary to the claim that Article 10.1 Lisbon TEU seems to make according to its wording, the European Parliament is not a representative body of a sovereign European people' (Lisbon TUE judgment, 30 June 2009);***

Or. fr

Amendment 31
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union and plays an essential role in **ensuring** the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Amendment

D. whereas the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union and plays an essential role in **that it affirms** that it guarantees the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions **despite the absence of a single European people; whereas, the fact of voting for the same assembly cannot in itself create a genuine political body any more than the existence of a market without borders: democracy, the participation of all in law-making presupposes a capacity for mutual identification within one and the same people, which obviously cannot be invented or decreed by Treaties, flurries of directives or costly communication campaigns;**

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the European Parliament is the **parliament** of the **whole** Union and **plays** an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions;

Amendment

D. whereas the European Parliament is the **parliamentary institution** of the **European** Union and, **technically speaking, should play** an essential **but additional** role in ensuring the legitimacy and accountability of EU decisions **by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the Commission at the Union level;**

Or. en

Amendment 33
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas, according to Article 10(2) TFEU, the European Parliament represents the Union citizens, independently of their nationality, and the Council represents the nationals of the Member States via the national governments;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital D b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Db. whereas, in cases of legal acts covering a subset of Member States, Articles 136 and 330 TFEU limit the voting rights in the Council to the participating Member States but, where required by the procedure, not of Members of the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' improved;

Amendment

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' improved ***and should be binding, which implies that national parliaments should be able to withdraw a proposal on the grounds that it infringes subsidiarity, without the EU institutions having the power to ignore it;***

Or. en

Amendment 36

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and ***practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' improved;***

Amendment

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and ***it would be useful to know what view the Commission takes of the idea of a 'green card' geared to boosting the participation and activity of national parliaments in the EU legislative process;***

Or. es

Amendment 37

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European

Amendment

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European

Parliament *should be enhanced and practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' improved;*

Parliament *has a role to play, whereas the national parliaments and the European Parliament have different mandates; whereas practical tools, such as the 'yellow' and 'orange card', already exist for national parliaments to object to proposed European legislation; whereas on the European level the EP can respond to concerns where national decisions taken infringe on European competences through resolutions voted in the plenary;*

Or. en

Amendment 38
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' improved,

Amendment

E. whereas political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be enhanced and practical possibilities for the use of the 'yellow' and 'orange card' *and the development of the 'green' and 'red' card, including on an informal basis, improved, so that national parliaments fully assume their responsibilities towards the European process particularly in the drawing up and legitimisation of EU law: the right of legislative initiative finally recognised, the right to issue a politically binding opinion on any draft act, the right of non-participation without blocking other States, call-back rights allowing scrutiny of the content of the implementing acts and delegated acts adopted by the Commission and the right of investigation into European affairs;*

Or. fr

Amendment 39
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and its ***interference*** in legislative decision-making should remain within the limits of the Treaty provisions;

Amendment

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and its ***participation*** in legislative decision-making should remain within the limits of the Treaty provisions;

Or. es

Amendment 40
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and ***its interference in legislative decision-making*** should ***remain within the limits of the Treaty provisions***;

Amendment

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and ***special legislative procedures*** should ***be replaced by the ordinary legislative procedure, analogous to the legislative process in any democratic State***;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered ***more***

Amendment

F. whereas the European Council's working methods should be rendered transparent

transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and its *interference in legislative decision-making should remain* within the limits of the Treaty provisions;

vis-à-vis Parliament and its *functions should be carried out* within the limits of the Treaty provisions, *in particular article 15 TEU, allowing for ex ante input and ex post accountability*;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the European *Council's working methods* should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and *its* interference in legislative decision-making should remain within the limits of the Treaty provisions;

Amendment

F. whereas the *working methods of the European Council and also of the Court of Justice, the Council, the Commission and the host of committees of experts attached to the last two* should be rendered more transparent vis-à-vis Parliament and *the national parliaments and the* interference of *each one* in legislative decision-making should remain within the limits of the Treaty provisions, *which would break with over fifty years of bad habits of interpretations contrary to the law of the Treaties which have proved highly detrimental to democracy, the rule of law and the European project itself*;

Or. fr

Amendment 43
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should

Amendment

deleted

be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 45
Sven Giegold
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved *to fulfil the promise of the EU treaties whereas 'every citizen shall have the right to participate in the democratic life of the Union' and 'decisions shall be taken as openly and as closely as possible to the citizen' (Article 10(3));*

Amendment 46
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

Amendment

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved; ***whereas this merger of Councils in one single body conjures up the spectre of full-blown federalism which had already raised its head fifteen years ago at the Convention on the Future of Europe and which the Heads of State and Government had already clearly rejected; whereas the resulting very clear wording of Article 16(6) TEU is applicable to all of them: 'The Council shall meet in different configurations, the list of which shall be adopted in accordance with Article 236 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.'***

Or. fr

Amendment 47
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas ***in order to create*** a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, ***the existing specialised Council configurations*** should be ***reduced to a single legislative one***, and

Amendment

G. whereas ***the various options should be explored for*** a genuine bi-cameral legislative system ***which is democratic and transparent in*** its decision-making;

the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

Or. fr

Amendment 48
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be improved;

Amendment

G. whereas in order to create a genuine bi-cameral legislative system, the existing specialised Council configurations should be reduced to a single legislative one, and the transparency of its decision-making should be **greatly** improved;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ga. whereas the unity of liability and control is a key prerequisite for the stability of any institutional set-up, and in particular with regard to economic, fiscal and monetary matters; whereas the EU economic policy is built on a strong national ownership of Member States, including the no-bail-out principle of Article 125 TFEU; whereas the increase of powers conferred to the European level implies an agreement on the decrease of national sovereignty of Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas the EU should promote the highest level of protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms and it must be guaranteed that the EU, its institutions and the Member States respect and foster those rights and freedoms;

Or. es

Amendment 51
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

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Or. de

Amendment 52
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 53
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H. whereas *the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;*

H. whereas *there is no need for the appointment of a EU Finance Minister, assisted by a EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, since the European Monetary Union is made up of differing economies, which are impossible to be represented by one person at a supranational level; the Ecofin configuration within the Council of the European Union already covers economic matters on a supranational level;*

Or. en

Amendment 54
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Amendment

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister ***once a fiscal capacity and the European Monetary Fund are created***, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments; ***whereas the EU Finance Minister must be held to account in person by the European Parliament***;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive ***should*** be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Amendment

H. whereas, ***if powers to the EU level were agreed to be expanded***, the Commission's role as the executive ***could*** be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 56

Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and **Monetary** Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Amendment

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and **Fiscal** Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive **should be strengthened** in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, **and by endowing it** with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments;

Amendment

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy **which it combines with legislative functions (monopoly of initiative, delegated and implementing acts, strong influence on the entire legislative process), judicial functions (competition) and repressive functions, poses a very serious problem, not only the democratic problem of the economic and budgetary control over national parliaments, but also the violation of the principle of separation of powers dear to Montesquieu, without which there is no rule of law but a dictatorial regime; whereas more and more supra-nationalism cannot of course resolve the problems caused by supra-nationalism, a deadly ideology that risks bringing about the downfall of Europe and the European dream; whereas, therefore,** the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, **an**

idea rejected by the Treaties, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, ***which would be endowed*** with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments ***would be a desperate move which would only make matters worse***;

Or. fr

Amendment 58
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy ***by the creation of the position of EU Finance Minister, assisted by an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration, and by endowing it with the powers to implement and enforce any future and existing Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) instruments***;

Amendment

H. whereas the ***Eurogroup should be subject to appropriate mechanisms of democratic accountability and the*** Commission's role as the executive should be strengthened in the field of Economic and Monetary Policy ***through*** the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury administration ***to handle a EU fiscal capacity based on genuine own resources***;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ha. whereas Article 2 of Protocol (No 14) on the Eurogroup does not specify that the President of the Eurogroup must be elected amongst the members of the Eurogroup;

Amendment

Amendment 60
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. Whereas to enhance the political legitimacy of the Commission to implement economic governance and fiscal rules, it is fundamental that the President of the Commission is chosen through a clear and well understood procedure in the European elections.

Or. en

Amendment 61
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas the Commission's executive activity should be strengthened in the field of external and internal affairs;

Or. es

Amendment 62
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

I. whereas the European Institutions and *deleted*

bodies, notably the Committee of the Regions (CoR), the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), and, especially, the European Parliament should, in their daily work, monitor respect for, and the development of, horizontal and vertical subsidiarity in the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the European Institutions and bodies, notably the Committee of the Regions (CoR), the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), and, especially, the European Parliament should, in their daily work, monitor respect for, and the development of, horizontal and vertical subsidiarity in the European Union;

Amendment

I. whereas the European Institutions and bodies, notably the Committee of the Regions (CoR), the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), and, especially, the European Parliament should, in their daily work, monitor respect for, and the development of, horizontal and vertical subsidiarity in the European Union *so that the democracies that constitute the Union and legitimise it, starting with the national parliaments, regain control of the essential conditions for exercising sovereignty;*
whereas, unless it is in fact conceived and implemented in its original sense of a delegation of authority in a purely subsidiary capacity with a general preference for that body which is closest to citizens, then the principle of European subsidiarity is nothing but a farce;

Or. fr

Amendment 64
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas Article 137 TFEU and Protocol 14 establish the Eurogroup as an informal body;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas the European institutions should take account of the role played by the CoR and EESC in the legislative framework and the importance of taking their opinions into consideration;

Or. es

Amendment 66
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital I b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ib. whereas the new tasks conferred upon the Eurogroup by the 'Six Pack' and 'Two Pack' regulations in conjunction with the identity of persons forming the Eurogroup and those forming the ESM Board of Governors and the identity of the President of the Eurogroup and the Chairperson of the ESM Board of Governors grant the Eurogroup a de-facto crucial role in the economic governance

Amendment 67

Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not ***yet strong enough*** to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, ***nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;***

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not ***applied sufficiently*** to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should ***do;***

Amendment 68

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not yet strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, ***progress towards the completion of the***

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not yet strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, ***the dissolution or, at least, the withdrawal***

EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

(or non-admittance) of weak economies from the EMU should be sustained;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not *yet* strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Or. fr

Amendment 70
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance system *is not yet strong enough* to tackle *all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members*, sustainable growth

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance system *has proved itself ineffective* to tackle *the major challenges that are affecting Union citizens, such as increased inequalities, poverty and social exclusion, high-rate unemployment and work insecurity while not being able, at*

and social *cohesion*; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, *as well as efforts* to render its institutional structure *more* legitimate and democratically accountable;

the same time, to generate new economic growth, sustainable *development* and social *protection*; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained *by linking it to the deepening of the social dimension and to the principles of the EU Charter of fundamental rights, in order* to render its institutional structure legitimate and democratically accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 71

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance *system is not yet* strong *enough* to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, *nor is it yet sufficiently good* at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence *among its members*, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance, *when thoroughly applied and correctly enforced, provides an effective and* strong *toolkit* to tackle *existing crises and strengthen the resilience of the EU and the Eurozone in case of* all potential future crises and shocks as it should, *in particular to prevent a reoccurrence of the sovereign debt crisis; whereas the EU and Member States efforts aiming at* generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence, sustainable growth and social cohesion *should be combined*; whereas, therefore, progress towards the completion of the EMU should be sustained, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 72

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the *existing economic governance system* is not *yet strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it yet sufficiently good at generating higher competitiveness*, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, *progress towards* the completion of the EMU *should be sustained*, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Amendment

J. whereas the *macro-economic imbalances procedure* is not *currently sufficiently used; whereas if used to its full capacity it could help to correct economic imbalances at an early stage, provide an accurate overview of the situation in each Member State and the Union as a whole, prevent crises and contribute to improving competitiveness; whereas greater* structural convergence among its members *is required, which will help to contribute to* sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, the completion of the EMU *is urgently needed*, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 73

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not *yet* strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it *yet sufficiently* good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion; whereas, therefore, *progress towards the completion* of the EMU should be *sustained*, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Amendment

J. whereas the existing economic governance system is not strong enough to tackle all potential future crises and shocks as it should, nor is it good at generating higher competitiveness, structural convergence among its members, sustainable growth and social cohesion, *in fact the opposite is the case*; whereas, therefore, *the manifest failure* of the EMU should be *noted*, as well as efforts to render its institutional structure more legitimate and democratically accountable;

Or. fr

Amendment 74
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital J c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jc. whereas the completion of economic, monetary and budgetary federalism would necessitate massive financial transfers in particular to Greece, Portugal, Spain and Italy, the cost of which has been evaluated by a number of converging studies (excluding the contribution to the EU): in order to overcome the gap in research and development and in the education system and to revive the economy over a period of 10 years the following amounts would be needed in annual federal aid: EUR 122.99 billion for Italy, EUR 86.76 billion for Spain, EUR 30.69 billion for Greece and EUR 17.27 billion for Portugal, i.e. total annual federal aid for those countries alone of EUR 257.71 billion; whereas moreover other eurozone countries will soon also need help in order to ‘catch up’ with the northern countries; whereas the contributors would be mainly Germany, France, Finland, Austria, and the Netherlands; whereas Germany alone would bear 90% of the cost of the annual federal support (for these four countries alone), namely between EUR 220 and 250 billion per year, i.e. between 8% and 12.7 % of its GDP according to studies, which would erode its economic competitiveness; whereas it is doubtful whether the peoples of the five above-mentioned countries have the capacity or the will to take on this burden;

Or. fr

Amendment 75
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital J d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jd. whereas, in the absence of an optimal European currency area, a single currency will never be able to work whatever the reforms and financial transfers that may be undertaken, as has been demonstrated many economists, including no fewer than five Nobel laureates in economics of all ideological stripes - Maurice Allais, Milton Friedman, Amartya Sen, Paul Krugman and Joseph Stiglitz; whereas the euro has shown that it merely imposes a disastrous straitjacket on most countries in the eurozone, detrimental not only to employment but also to the fight against excessive deficits and the sovereign debt crisis; whereas after a brief movement of apparent convergence of the countries that had adopted the single currency and the adoption of the so-called 'Stability and Growth Pact' to impose fiscal constraints, it collided with reality; whereas, even though since the 2008 crash, the eurozone countries have strived to establish solidarity mechanisms to address the banking and financial crisis (bank recapitalisation and financial assistance for States through the ESM), it is doubtful whether they will be able to weather the approaching financial crisis; whereas their effectiveness is limited by the growing structural divergences within the eurozone created by the single currency and there is a steady deterioration in the real economies of countries in difficulty: falling wages, a decline in investment, domestic demand and economic activity, rising unemployment, and thus mounting external deficits and public deficits;

Or. fr

Amendment 76
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;

Amendment

deleted

(The substance of this Recital is already included in Paragraph 42 of the resolution)

Or. en

Amendment 77
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;

Amendment

K. whereas, in view of the recent sovereign financial crises, adding a fiscal union to an already failing monetary union would constitute an extra safety net in order to keep high-debt Member States afloat; therefore, the Fiscal Compact should not be incorporated into the EU legal framework;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework ***on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;***

Amendment

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact ***and its budgetary and economic partnership programme*** should be incorporated into the EU legal framework; ***whereas an assessment of its implementation and enforcement should be carried out;***

Or. en

Amendment 79

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution

Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;

Amendment

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation ***and to the extent that it is not yet covered by existing secondary legislation;***

Or. en

Amendment 80

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be ***incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;***

Amendment

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be ***replaced by a macroeconomic mechanism for reducing current account imbalances with a special focus on surplus countries, which should expand domestic demand to avoid the high social and economic costs of internal devaluation for deficit countries and should possibly be***

incorporated into the EU legal framework;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;

Amendment

K. whereas the Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation, *subject to the democratic approval of the peoples of Member States in a referendum held in all those where this is legally possible;*

Or. fr

Amendment 82
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the *Fiscal Compact should be incorporated into the EU legal framework on the basis of an assessment of experience with its implementation;*

Amendment

K. whereas the *implementation of the Fiscal Compact has shown all its unsustainable effects;*

Or. en

Amendment 83
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Recital L

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 84

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Recital L

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 85

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;

Amendment

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 86

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;

Amendment

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, ***monitoring subsidiarity and approving or rejecting Treaty amendments***, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and the Court of Justice ***having control over all aspects of EMU*** enshrined in the Treaties;

Amendment

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments ***better scrutinising national governments' actions at European level***, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, and ***judicial review by the Court of Justice over EMU decisions*** enshrined in the Treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making, ***and the Court of Justice having control over all aspects of EMU enshrined in the Treaties;***

Amendment

L. whereas the institutional structure of the EMU should be transformed into an effective and democratic economic government, with Parliament and Council acting as equal co-legislators, the Commission fulfilling the role of the executive, national parliaments scrutinising national governments, the European Parliament scrutinising the EU level of decision-making;

Or. fr

Amendment 89
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial **structural** reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Or. es

Amendment 90
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the *Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial structural reforms in the areas of* competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the *full implementation of the rules adopted to date is decisive with a view to reinforcing* competitiveness, growth and social cohesion *in the EMU*;

Or. de

Amendment 91
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas *the Union needs a new legal*

Amendment

M. whereas *after more than one decade*

act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Convergence Guidelines fail to be respected; therefore, and given the fact that the eurozone can impossibly be considered an Optimum Currency Area, a so-called "Convergence Code" will not work;

Or. en

Amendment 92

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs a ***new legal act on*** economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, ***as well as some*** crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs a ***reinforcement of the application and enforcement of the existing*** economic policy ***framework***, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, ***which lay down the implementation of*** crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Or. en

Amendment 93

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, ***as well as some crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;***

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, ***but mostly a legal shift on its economic policy based on the full application of Article 3 TEU and the principles provided for, in particular, in articles 9 to 12 TFEU;***

Amendment 94
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs **a** new legal **act** on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs new legal **provisions** on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs a **new legal act on economic policy, including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some crucial structural** reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs **flexibility, a halving in the number of its regulations and free, variable-geometry cooperation e.g. for countries wishing to restore for themselves European preference or launch an industrial project of common interest, rather than a new legal act for economic policy or** reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion, **which would not have much more success than the old Lisbon Strategy or Europe 2020 that followed it;**

Or. fr

Amendment 96
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, ***including the adoption of Convergence Guidelines, as well as some*** crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Amendment

M. whereas the Union needs a new legal act on economic policy, ***as*** crucial structural reforms in the areas of competitiveness, growth and social cohesion;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused ***and democratic***, by enhancing ***Parliament's*** scrutiny role over it and by investing ***it*** with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused, ***democratic and effective, by greater involvement of national stakeholders***, by enhancing ***European and especially national parliaments'*** scrutiny role over it and by investing ***them*** with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it **and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;**

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it;

Or. en

Amendment 99

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, **should address the social aspects of better governance and assess Member States' performance on the basis of social criteria, in addition to economic criteria,** and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations, **in cooperation with national parliaments;**

Or. en

Amendment 100

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing

Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;

Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations; *whereas national parliaments must fully engage in the role foreseen for them in the European Semester in order to ensure its effectiveness and accountability at the appropriate level;*

Or. en

Amendment 101
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and democratic, *by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;*

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, and rendered more focused and, *above all, more* democratic, *in so far as it is totally illegitimate and undemocratic that draft national budgets should have to be approved by the Commission even before they are submitted to the national parliaments;*

Or. fr

Amendment 102
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Recital N

Motion for a resolution

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified, *and rendered more focused and democratic, by enhancing Parliament's scrutiny role over it and by investing it with a more substantial role in the various cycles of negotiations;*

Amendment

N. whereas the European Semester process should be simplified *and country-specific recommendations should be more strictly followed by Member States.*

Amendment 103

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Recital O

Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be more streamlined, its revenue should originate from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and the legislation relevant to own resources should be switched to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 104

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Recital O

Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be **more streamlined**, its revenue **should originate** from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and the legislation relevant to own resources **should be switched** to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be (1) **more transparent**, viz. **aiming to reduce fraud, irregularities and errors (especially in regional and farm spending, as announced in the report of the European Court of Auditors 2014)**, (2) **more autonomous**, viz. **with a revenue originating** from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and (3) **more democratic**, by **switching** the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and the

legislation relevant to own resources to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 105
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital O

Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be more streamlined, its revenue should originate from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) **and the legislation relevant to own resources should be switched to the ordinary legislative procedure;**

Amendment

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be more streamlined, its revenue should originate from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) should **switch from unanimity to qualified majority voting;**

Or. en

Amendment 106
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital O

Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be more streamlined, **its revenue should originate from genuine own resources and not predominantly from Gross National Income (GNI) contributions, and the procedure for adoption of the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and the legislation relevant to own resources should be switched to the ordinary legislative**

Amendment

O. whereas the use of the Union budget should be more streamlined, **in particular in order to strip it of anything that promotes fraud, mismanagement, patronage and propaganda, to eliminate VAT as a resource which is too complicated and to rely on a simple annual national contribution determined by a single percentage of GNI, to remove the half of the structural funds currently**

procedure;

allocated at the discretion of the Commission which uses it to purchase a group of clients beholden to it, a practice which has for the last twenty years been the subject of extremely serious criticism by the European Court of Auditors itself, to reduce the annual contribution of States by the same amount (over a third), to reject the idea of a European tax (as the Commission and some parliamentary groups have been demanding for years), which would increase the burden on taxpayers and break the link to national States and set the ceiling for EU budget expenditure at 1% maximum of GDP;

Or. fr

Amendment 107
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital O a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Oa. whereas, according to Article 21 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, the principle of the universality of the budget does not prevent a group of Member States from assigning a financial contribution to the EU budget or a specific revenue to a specific item of expenditure, as is already happening, for instance, in the case of the high flux reactor under Decision 2012/709/Euratom;

Or. en

Amendment 108
Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital O a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Oa. whereas the MFF should be modified to have a duration of 5 not 7 years, in line with the mandate of the European Parliament, in order to increase democratic control of the Union budget;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital O b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ob. whereas assigned revenue in terms of Article 21 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 is, according to Recital No 8 of the Multiannual Financial Framework Regulation No 1311/2013, not part of the MFF and thus not covered by the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital O c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Oc. whereas system of own resources does not prohibit own resources financed only by a subset of Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by **fully** implementing the **existing six-pack and two-pack** legal framework;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by implementing the **reformed** legal framework (**six-pack and two-pack**) **in the context of the flexibility offered by the Stability and Growth Pact**;

Or. es

Amendment 112
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with **increased** investment **capacity by ensuring better use of** the existing structural funds and **by fully** implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with **a more responsible** investment **strategy, by better controlling** the existing structural funds and **certainly not by further** implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework, **which are highly anti-democratic, since the indicators of competitiveness, as well as the thresholds of what is considered a macro-economic imbalance, are set unilaterally by the Commission, and, as such, undermine democratic decision making on the national level**;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution

Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring *better* use of the existing structural funds **and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework**;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring *optimum* use of the existing structural funds;

Or. fr

Amendment 114

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds, **by using the European Strategic Investment Fund** and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;

Or. en

Amendment 115

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Emmanuel Maurel, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Curzio Maltese, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity **by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by fully**

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity **and by a golden rule for public investment which exempts public investment from debt**

implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;

accounting as investment creates assets and future income streams;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework; *as well as increasing the capacities of the EIB, EIF and EFSI;*

Or. en

Amendment 117
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with *increased* investment capacity *by* ensuring *better use* of the *existing* structural funds *and* by *fully implementing* the *existing six-pack* and *two-pack legal framework*;

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with *refocused* investment capacity *and efforts should be made to streamline, by setting an EU budget spending ceiling at 1% of GDP* and ensuring *the legal, regular and genuinely useful utilisation* of the structural funds, *which may be halved in order to reduce the annual contribution of Member States by that amount and to use the other half to help those countries that are most in need, for a limited period, and to fund major projects of European interest such as railway lines for combined sea-rail-road transport*;

Amendment 118
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital P

Motion for a resolution

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds ***and by fully implementing the existing six-pack and two-pack legal framework;***

Amendment

P. whereas the Union should be endowed with increased investment capacity by ensuring better use of the existing structural funds;

Amendment 119
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 120
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 121

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources; *deleted*

Or. pl

Amendment 122

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 123

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed ***structural*** reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources, ***such as the tax on international financial transactions, a percentage of corporation tax, or European Central Bank profits;***

Or. es

Amendment 124

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF **and should be** financed by genuine own resources;

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF, financed by genuine own resources **and fiscally neutral for the Member States who contribute**;

Or. en

Amendment 125
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas **part of the EU budget should be used to establish** a fiscal capacity within the eurozone **in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions**; **whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and** should be **financed by genuine own resources**;

Amendment

Q. whereas the **establishment of** a fiscal capacity within the eurozone **is necessary and its outline, funding, modes of intervention and conditions of integration in the Union's budget** should be **determined**;

Or. fr

Amendment 126
Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution
Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget **should**

Amendment

Q. whereas **a limited** part of the EU budget

be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

could be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone *solely* in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

Or. en

Amendment 127

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in *the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;*

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in *increasing their public investment;*

Or. en

Amendment 128

Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution

Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone in order to assist Member States in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions; whereas this additional fiscal

capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by genuine own resources;

capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be financed by *new* genuine own resources *suitable for this purpose*;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital Q

Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used *to establish a fiscal capacity within the eurozone* in order to assist Member States *in the implementation of agreed structural reforms based on certain conditions*; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be *financed by* genuine own resources;

Amendment

Q. whereas part of the EU budget should be used in order to assist Member States; whereas this additional fiscal capacity should be placed outside the ceilings of the MFF and should be *based on* genuine own resources;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital R

Motion for a resolution

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union, *the Banking Union and the Capital Markets Union*;

Amendment

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market *and* the Energy Union;

Or. pl

Amendment 131
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Recital R

Motion for a resolution

R. whereas the growth potential of the **Single** Market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union, the Banking Union and the Capital Markets Union;

Amendment

R. whereas the growth potential of the **internal** market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union, the Banking Union and the Capital Markets Union;

Or. fr

Amendment 132
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital R

Motion for a resolution

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union, the Banking Union **and** the Capital Markets Union;

Amendment

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further exploited in the areas of services, the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union **and** the Banking Union, **whereas** the Capital Markets Union **should be rejected; whereas decentralised and bank-based finance should be strengthened by cleaning banks' balance sheets from non-performing loans; whereas austerity, which dampens investment and credit demand, should be ended;**

Or. en

Amendment 133
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital R

Motion for a resolution

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further *exploited* in the areas of services, *the Digital Single Market, the Energy Union, the Banking Union and the Capital Markets Union*;

Amendment

R. whereas the growth potential of the Single Market should be further *investigated, e.g.* in the areas of services;

Or. en

Amendment 134

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital R a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ra. Whereas, according to the Treaties, the Union shall combat social exclusion and discrimination, and shall promote social justice and protection, equality between women and men and solidarity between generations;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 135

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Recital R a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ra. whereas strengthening the single market should be accompanied by improved fiscal coordination;

Amendment

Or. es

Amendment 136

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital S

Motion for a resolution

S. whereas the *rights of workers should be guaranteed and sustained in the process of reforming the Union in order to exploit fully the potential* of the *Lisbon Treaty*;

Amendment

S. whereas the *potential of the Treaties regarding social policy have not yet been fully exercised, in particular with regard to working conditions, the inclusion of the long-term unemployed and the challenges of labour migration*;

Or. en

Amendment 137

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Recital S

Motion for a resolution

S. whereas the rights of workers should be guaranteed and sustained in the process of reforming the Union in order to exploit fully the potential of the Lisbon Treaty;

Amendment

S. whereas the rights of workers should be guaranteed and sustained in the process of reforming the Union *and in the framework of the necessary modernisation of the labour market and the social role of business*, in order to exploit fully the potential of the Lisbon Treaty;

Or. es

Amendment 138

Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution

Recital S

Motion for a resolution

S. whereas the rights of workers should be

Amendment

S. whereas the rights of workers should be

guaranteed and sustained *in the process of reforming the Union in order to exploit* fully the potential of the Lisbon Treaty;

guaranteed and sustained *by fully exploiting* the potential of the Lisbon Treaty;

Or. fr

Amendment 139
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital S a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Sa. whereas the Union legislator may adopt measures in the field of social security that are necessary for workers that exercise their free movement rights under Article 48 TFEU; whereas it may adopt measures for the protection of social rights of workers independently of the use of free movement rights under Article 153 TFEU;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital S a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Sa. whereas there are deficiencies in relation to the functioning and implementation of the Instrument of the European Citizens' Initiative and therefore a need for improvement in order for it to function effectively and be a true instrument for participative democracy and active citizenship;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Recital S a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Sa. whereas the principle of equal pay for male and female workers for equal work or work of equal value, as laid out in Article 157 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union has still not been realised;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital S b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Sb. whereas on the basis of Article 153(1)(a) to (i) TFEU the Union legislator may adopt minimum harmonisation measures in the area of social policy; whereas such legislation may not affect the right of Member States to define the fundamental principles of their social security systems; whereas such legislation may not significantly affect the financial equilibrium of national social security systems; whereas these limits for social policy harmonisation still gives some unused leeway to the Union legislator to adopt measures in the area of social policy;

Or. en

Amendment 143
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital T

Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the Union needs to increase the effectiveness, coherence and accountability of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), which can be done by using the existing Treaty provisions to switch from unanimity to qualified majority voting (QMV) for more and more areas of external policies, as well as by implementing the provisions for flexibility and enhanced cooperation when needed;

Amendment

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 144
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital T

Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the Union *needs to* increase the effectiveness, coherence and accountability of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), which can *be done* by *using the existing Treaty provisions to switch from* unanimity to *qualified majority voting (QMV) for more and more areas of external policies, as well as by implementing the provisions for flexibility and enhanced cooperation when needed;*

Amendment

T. whereas the Union *could* increase the effectiveness, coherence and accountability of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), *in particular by preserving and strengthening its intergovernmental character* which *determines its effectiveness, by rejecting any 'communitarisation' i.e. any further reciprocal paralysis and by boosting the role of the institutions representing the national will of individual Member States: the Council deliberating unanimously and scrutiny by national parliaments in particular; whereas only the Council can by definition have diplomatic experience and an overview of external policies - CFSP, trade policy, development aid - and*

therefore the High Representative should ensure that that office remains closely linked to the Council ; whereas it is necessary to use all the flexibility offered by variable geometry to overcome the obstacles that could occur due to the unanimity requirement among too great a number of States; whereas the EU needs to honour, in its statements and actions, the principles and purposes enshrined in the UN Charter and take care to comply with the procedures of international law; whereas it is a wonderful asset for the whole of Europe that some of its Member States have historically close relations with other powers or a privileged status in the international community (such as a permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council in the case of two Member States);

Or. fr

Amendment 145
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Recital U

Motion for a resolution

U. whereas recent security challenges, some in the immediate vicinity of the EU's borders, have revealed the need to *move progressively towards the establishment of a common defence policy, and eventually, a common defence; whereas the Treaty already contains clear provisions as to how this could be done, notably in Articles 41, 42, 44 and 46 TEU;*

Amendment

U. whereas recent security challenges, some in the immediate vicinity of the EU's borders, have revealed the need to *close EU's external borders and to re-establish internal borders in order to avoid further economic and social chaos and free traveling of refugees;*

Or. en

Amendment 146
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital U

Motion for a resolution

U. whereas recent *security challenges, some in the immediate vicinity of the EU's borders, have revealed* the need to move progressively towards *the establishment of a common defence policy, and eventually, a common defence; whereas the Treaty already contains clear provisions as to how this could be done, notably in Articles 41, 42, 44 and 46 TEU;*

Amendment

U. whereas recent *events in the EU's neighbourhood countries have shown* the need to move towards *a different approach in the EU's external relations founded on the peaceful promotion of social, economic, environmental and human rights standards for the benefits of all the parties involved;*

Or. en

Amendment 147
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital U

Motion for a resolution

U. whereas recent security challenges, some in the immediate vicinity of the EU's borders, have revealed the need to move progressively towards the establishment of a *common* defence policy, and *eventually, a common* defence; *whereas the Treaty already contains clear provisions as to how this could be done, notably in Articles 41, 42, 44 and 46 TEU;*

Amendment

U. whereas recent security challenges, some *within and* in the immediate vicinity of the EU's borders, have revealed the need to move progressively towards the establishment of a '*defence in common*', *outside the framework of the current Treaties rather than a single* defence policy *straitjacketed by Brussels institutions and procedures: by giving each people the right to determine its* defence *interests and thus respecting the national basis of any defence which is necessary if it is to be effective and democratic, by ruling out any idea of an integrated army, by clearly establishing the principle of free cooperation between sovereign nations, according to the mechanisms of variable geometry, by thus rejecting the notion of an unstoppable constitutional process contained embryonically in the follow-up Treaties to*

the Lisbon Treaty, by launching a study of a missile shield for Europe that would be managed by an intergovernmental structure and involve those States that wished to participate and by developing voluntary and cooperation controlled by the States in intelligence matters, as an essential step for improving the capabilities of our armed forces;

Or. fr

Amendment 148
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital U a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ua. whereas external representation has to be ensured in the Union interest where exclusive Union competences and where shared Union competences that were already exercised by the Union are concerned; whereas in areas where the Union has not yet used its shared competence, Member States are under the duty to sincerely cooperate with the Union and to abstain from any measures that could undermine the Union interest;

Or. en

Amendment 149
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital U b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ub. whereas there is a need for a coordinated and structured position of the Union and of the Member States in

international organisations and international fora in order to enhance the influence of the Union and of its Member States in these organisations and fora;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital U c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Uc. whereas entering into international obligations by the Union or by the Member States cannot reduce the role of national Parliaments and of the European Parliament to mere rubberstamping;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital V

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

V. whereas the refugee crisis has exposed the need for a common asylum and immigration policy, which should provide as well for a fair distribution of asylum seekers across the European Union;

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 152
Nadine Morano

Motion for a resolution

Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas the refugee crisis has *exposed* the need for *a common asylum and immigration policy, which should provide as well for a fair distribution of asylum seekers across the* European Union;

Amendment

V. whereas the refugee crisis has *shown* the need for *the genuine protection of the Union's external borders, an essential condition for ensuring the freedom of movement and security of* European citizens *within the* Union;

Or. fr

Amendment 153

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas *the refugee crisis has exposed the need for a common asylum and immigration policy, which should provide as well for a fair distribution of asylum seekers across the* European Union;

Amendment

V. whereas *each Member State should be able to determine how many refugees it will host, without the EU governments imposing mandatory quotas;*

Or. en

Amendment 154

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas the refugee crisis has exposed the need for a common asylum and immigration policy, which should provide as well for a fair *distribution* of asylum seekers across the European Union;

Amendment

V. whereas the refugee crisis has exposed the need for a *fair and effective* common asylum and immigration policy, *based on the principles of solidarity, non-discrimination, non-refoulement, sincere cooperation among all the Member States and on proactive search and rescue,*

which should provide as well for a fair **and more consistent relocation** of asylum seekers across the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 155
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas the refugee crisis has **exposed** the **need for a common asylum and immigration policy, which should provide as well for a fair distribution** of asylum seekers across the **European Union**;

Amendment

V. whereas the **current** refugee crisis, **which could result in as many as another 2.5 million refugees in 2016 according to NGOs, has amply demonstrated that the European Union needs to have internal border controls reintroduced, that each nation needs to regain the capacity to determine its own migration policy and that solidarity between Member States needs to be strengthened by cooperation in the face of this the huge challenge of migration with which they are confronted at the beginning of this century, by henceforth telling third countries unambiguously what they think about abuses of the right to asylum, by agreeing on political goals and joint actions in the fight against illegal migration, the fight against terrorism and everything that nurtures it and by maintaining above all and imperatively a right of veto or non-participation if they feel that their interests may be seriously jeopardised by a draft act or decision**;

Or. fr

Amendment 156
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Va. whereas there are some predictable challenges that the Union needs to be better prepared for, such as the effect that the aging population will have on the demographic make-up of many Member States and the subsequent financial and social pressures that it will present;

Or. en

Amendment 157
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Va. Whereas the recent crises have revealed that the approximation of legal provision is not sufficient for ensuring the functioning of the internal market or the area of freedom, security and justice because of differences in implementation of harmonised legal provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 158
Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Va. whereas the need for immediate action in light of the refugee crisis requires the creation of a European Rapid Refugee Emergency Force (ERREF) to

*manage all European external borders
and to implement previous agreements,
and to transform Frontex into a full-
fledged European Coast and Border
Guard (ECBG);*

Or. en

Amendment 159

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*Va. whereas the Member States' failure to
comply with agreements adopted at
European Summits and Councils
seriously undermines the credibility of the
European institutions, and their
implementation should therefore be more
effectively guaranteed;*

Or. es

Amendment 160

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution

Recital V b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*Vb. Whereas the necessity of uniform
implementation of harmonised legal
provisions requires a harmonisation of
implementation by Union agencies, which
was approved by the Court of Justice of
the European Union;*

Or. en

Amendment 161
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Recital V b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Vb. whereas discrimination based on any ground, such as sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, religion or belief, political or otherwise, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age, gender identity or sexual orientation still remains a problem in every Member State;

Or. en

Amendment 162
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital V c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Vc. Whereas the Union legislator may not confer discretionary powers upon Union agencies that require political choices;

Or. en

Amendment 163
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Recital V d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Vd. Whereas the Union legislator has to ensure sufficient political control over the decisions and activities of Union

agencies;

Or. en

Amendment 164

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, ***high unemployment, increased poverty and inequality***, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Or. es

Amendment 165

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness

and the social consequences in several Member States, ***and the need to reinforce the EU internal market***, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

and the social consequences in several Member States, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 166
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States ***are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States***, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, ***which have so far been inadequately addressed***;

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States ***have to cope with varying challenges some of which are better be dealt with on a national basis, whereas others, e.g., the fight against terrorism, globalisation***, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, ***could benefit from being addressed on European level***;

Or. en

Amendment 167
Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial

Amendment

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and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which *have so far been inadequately* addressed;

and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which *need to be more adequately* addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 168
Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the *causes and* consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 169
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and *debt* crisis, the *lack of competitiveness* and the social consequences in several Member States, *and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;*

terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and *economic* crisis, the *threats of disintegration and divergence, social exclusion, long term unemployment, increasing euroscepticism* and the social consequences in several Member States, *which have so far been inadequately addressed; noting that all these challenges need differentiated answers, and cannot form a unique package, lumping together, for example, the very different questions of refugees and of terrorism;*

Or. en

Amendment 170
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing unprecedented challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, *an aging population, the growth of precarious employment*, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 171
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing ***unprecedented*** challenges, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States, and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, which have so far been inadequately addressed;

Amendment

1. Notes that the European Union and its Member States are facing challenges ***on an unprecedented scale***, such as the refugee crisis, the foreign policy challenges in the immediate neighbourhood and the fight against terrorism, as well as globalisation, climate change, the consequences of the financial and debt crisis, the ***euro crisis, the*** lack of competitiveness and the social consequences in several Member States (***mass unemployment, growing poverty, the destruction of the middle classes***) and the need to reinforce the EU internal market, ***the failure of multiculturalism and the crisis of integration and the serious blows to democracy and the rule of law*** which have so far been inadequately addressed ***at European level, and for good reason***;

Or. fr

Amendment 172
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response from the Union;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 173
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Underlines that these challenges **cannot** be tackled individually by the Member States, **but need** a collective response from the Union;

Amendment

2. Underlines that **it should be investigated whether** these challenges **can** be tackled individually by the Member States, **or rather benefit from** a collective response from the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response from the Union;

Amendment

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response from the Union, **from a federal perspective and based on respect for the principle of multitier governance**;

Or. es

Amendment 175
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response from the Union;

Amendment

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be **adequately** tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response from the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 176
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Underlines that these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response *from* the *Union*;

Amendment

2. Underlines that, *where* these challenges cannot be tackled individually by the Member States, but need a collective response, *this must be found within the framework of free cooperation based on variable geometry and variable geography - Europe-à-la-carte, which is ultimately the only possible future for Europe - rather than within that of a failed and outdated supranational integration, since the mandatory involvement of the EU has so far basically fuelled mutual paralysis, political impotence, 'economic disarmament', mass unemployment, the dissolution of national identities and major setbacks for democracy and the rule of law so that no one now expects the EU to deliver the prosperity so frequently promised us, or even peace;*

Or. fr

Amendment 177
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

2a. Considers, also, that a new debate on reforming the EU institutions to strengthen the Member States' influence on the EU decision-making process could be a response to the threats;

Amendment

Or. pl

Amendment 178

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Highlights that the existing European Treaties, voluntarily ratified by all 28 Member States, include a legal and institutional framework, within European law, to enable the existing Treaties to be modified (article 48 TEU) and for a Member State to decide to withdraw from the Union (article 50 TEU); considers therefore that the new settlement for the UK within the European Union, as proposed by President Tusk, through an international agreement is not the appropriate tool as it creates legal uncertainty and does not allow all European citizens to be consulted;

Or. en

Amendment 179

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2b. Insists that any new settlement for the UK within the European Union must provide legal certainty; insists also that an international agreement cannot modify the legal order of the EU nor affect the allocation of responsibilities defined in the Treaties and, consequently, the autonomy of the EU legal system, compliance with which the Court ensures under article 19 TEU;

Amendment 180

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2c. Recalls that the internal market, facilitating the free movement of goods, persons, services and capital is a cornerstone of the EU; also recalls that exceptions to the internal market create distortions of competition within the Union and destroys the level playing field;

Or. en

Amendment 181

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by ***enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;***

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by ***focusing on areas of competence that truly benefit from a supranational approach, viz. the free trade of goods, the fight against international crime and terrorism, and the waterproof protection of the external borders; shared competences in these domains can be established through multi- or bilateral agreements and do not require the intervention, nor the existence, of the European Union;***

Or. en

Amendment 182
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, **and improving its capacity to act;**

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and **their decision-making processes, and by fully respecting the national sovereignty of Member States as well as the principle of subsidiarity;**

Or. en

Amendment 183
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, **as well as cooperation among institutions,** and improving its capacity to act, **which also entails training and educating young people about the origins of the integration project, the values it embodies, their own rights, and the functioning and powers of the institutions;**

Or. es

Amendment 184
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, and improving its capacity to act; ***notes, in this context, the difficulties experienced by the Council in applying the measures agreed on within that body in order to face the challenges that we need to tackle, which is undermining the European Union's credibility and capacity to act;***

Or. es

Amendment 185

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions ***and*** decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to restore the lost confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions, ***agencies and informal bodies such as the Eurogroup as well as of its*** decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;

Or. en

Amendment 186

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

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by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, **and** improving its capacity to act;

by enhancing the transparency **and accountability** of its institutions and decision-making, improving its capacity to act **and strengthening its democratic legitimacy providing for a greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process. To this end, it should also revise Regulation 211/2011 in order to encourage the Commission to have a less restrictive approach on the legal admissibility of an ECI and to allow a successful initiative to have an appropriate and concrete follow-up;**

Or. en

Amendment 187
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the Union needs to **restore** the **lost** confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency of its institutions and decision-making, and improving its capacity to act;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the Union needs to **gain** the confidence and trust of its citizens by enhancing the transparency **and political accountability** of its institutions and decision-making **and scrutiny thereof by national parliaments** and improving its capacity to act **not in order to disarm Europe and Europeans but, on the contrary, to give them the means to live in security, to be enterprising, to prosper and to transmit and secure the future of Europe as a civilisation;**

Or. fr

Amendment 188
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Considers to make use of the possibility to harmonise not only national legal provisions but also implementation of harmonised legal provision through the establishment of Union agencies and the conferral of clearly defined implementing powers on them;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Stresses that any conferral of implementing powers on Union agencies requires a sufficient control over the decisions and actions of Union agencies by the Union legislator; recalls that effective supervision covers amongst others the appointment and the dismissal of the managing staff of the Union agency, participation in the supervisory board of the Union agency, veto rights in relation to certain Union agency decisions, information obligations and transparency rules and budgetary rights in relation to the Union agency's budget;

Or. en

Amendment 190
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3c. Considers the adoption of a framework regulation for Union agencies that may exercise implementing powers covering the required political control mechanism by the Union legislator and including amongst others the right of the European Parliament to appoint and to dismiss the managing staff of the Union agency, to participate in the supervisory board of the Union agency, veto rights of the European Parliament in relation to certain Union agency decisions, information obligations and transparency rules and budgetary rights of the European Parliament in relation to the Union agency's budget;

Or. en

Amendment 191

Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Points out that the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some necessary tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or could be used to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;

(Does not affect the English version.)

Or. fr

Amendment 192

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Points out that the *provisions of the* Lisbon Treaty *have* not yet been exploited to *their* full potential *even though they contain some necessary tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or could be used to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;*

Amendment

4. Points out that the *subsidiarity principle in* the Lisbon Treaty *has* not yet been exploited to *its* full potential;

Or. en

Amendment 193
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Points out that the *provisions of the* Lisbon Treaty *have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some necessary tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or could be used to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;*

Amendment

4. Points out that the *main priority to be fulfilled is the total implementation of all articles of Lisbon Treaty. As long as any Member State does not comply with this pre-requisite, those provisions of the Lisbon Treaty which have, so far, not been exploited to their full potential may not be activated;*

Or. en

Amendment 194
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Points out that the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some **necessary** tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or **could be used** to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;

Amendment

4. Points out that the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some tools that could **not, of course**, have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, **in fact the opposite is the case**, or **that some naively wish to use** to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term; **whereas there is no point, however, in engaging in endless speculation, in empty and charm-like resolutions, on the theme: 'more integration will solve the problems of integration', that hackneyed cliché which no one believes in any more but which may trigger a backlash against those who for sixty years have been promising a European El Dorado in return for jettisoning the nation, democracy and borders;**

Or. fr

Amendment 195

Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Points out that the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some necessary tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or could be used to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;

Amendment

4. Points out that **all** the provisions of the Lisbon Treaty have not yet been exploited to their full potential even though they contain some necessary tools that could have been applied to prevent some of the crises with which the Union is confronted, or could be used to cope with the current challenges without having to initiate a Treaty revision in the short term;

Or. fr

Amendment 196

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the Community method is *superior to* the intergovernmental method as it *is the only one that* allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Amendment

5. Stresses that the Community method is *better suited to the functioning of the Union than* the intergovernmental method as it allows for *greater* transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Or. es

Amendment 197

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the Community method *is superior to the intergovernmental method as it is the only one that allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;*

Amendment

5. Stresses that the Community method, *based on QMV in the Council, as well as on the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, should be an added value to the various intergovernmental methods, the former respecting the sovereignty of the European States and the latter preventing alienation from supranational goals and responsibilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 198
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the Community method *is superior to* the intergovernmental method as it is the only one that allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Amendment

5. ***Stresses that the Community method has a number of advantages over*** the intergovernmental method as it is the only one that allows for ***greater*** transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 199
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the Community method is superior to the intergovernmental method ***as it is the only one that allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;***

Amendment

5. Stresses that the Community method is superior to the intergovernmental method ***to make democracy, defined as the 'government of the people, by the people and for the people', morph insidiously into a European regime of supra-nationalist integration, an EU which the philosopher Jürgen Habermas has already dubbed the 'paragon of post-democratic autocracy'***

Or. fr

Amendment 200
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the Community method *is superior to* the *intergovernmental* method *as it* is the only one that allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Amendment

5. Stresses that *there may be complementarity between* the Community method *and the intergovernmental method, given that* the *Community* method is the only one that allows for transparency, QMV in the Council, and the equal right of co-legislation by the European Parliament and Council, as well as preventing a fragmentation of institutional responsibilities and the development of competing institutions;

Or. fr

Amendment 201
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 202
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

deleted

Or. en

**Amendment 203
Morten Messerschmidt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

deleted

Or. fr

**Amendment 204
Gerolf Annemans**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6**

Motion for a resolution

6. *Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;*

Amendment

6. *Insists that, in view of the recent sovereign financial crises, adding a fiscal union to an already failing monetary union would constitute an extra safety net in order to keep high-debt Member States afloat; therefore, the Fiscal Compact as well as the European Stability Mechanism should not be integrated into Union law;*

Or. en

Amendment 205
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law *and no new institutions should be introduced;*

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law;

Or. fr

Amendment 206
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should *not exist, not even in*

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should *only be an instrument of*

areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

absolute ultima ratio. Such solutions are only acceptable if they are intended to deepen the European integration. They may not modify Primary law and must be in compliance with existing Primary and Secondary law. They may only be used if a legislative procedure covering all EU Member States or an Enhanced Cooperation procedure failed or is likely to fail. In case intergovernmental solutions extend decision-making powers at EU level, they may not undermine the institutional balance of the Union and hence include the European Parliament as decision-making institution. Inclusion of Union institutions is subject to approval of all Member States. Intergovernmental solutions may not circumvent the Treaties and shall always be open for accession of non-participating Member States. Being means of absolute ultima ratio intergovernmental solutions, as intended by the Treaty, the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Or. en

Amendment 207

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, *as intended by the Treaties* should *therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should*

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism should *be replaced by a macroeconomic mechanism for reducing current account imbalances;*

be introduced;

Or. en

Amendment 208
Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, *as intended by the Treaties* should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism should therefore be incorporated into Union law *on the basis of an assessment of the experience with its implementation, as intended by the Treaties*, and no new institutions should be introduced;

Or. en

Amendment 209
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should *not exist, not* even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should *be replaced by Community procedures* even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment 210

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, ***as intended by the Treaties*** should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that the Fiscal Compact ***as intended in the Treaty, provided that the appropriate scrutiny accorded to the EP reflects the composition of the contributors,*** should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment 211

Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Is of the opinion that ***intergovernmental solutions should not exist, not even in areas where not all the Member States fulfil the conditions for participation, and that*** the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment

6. Is of the opinion that the Fiscal Compact and the European Stability Mechanism, as intended by the Treaties should therefore be incorporated into Union law, ***after an analysis of their implementation record,*** and no new institutions should be introduced;

Amendment 212
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy of the Union, as well as in making the Union's decision-making system accountable to citizens by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the *executive* at the Union level *and* by the legislative co-decision procedure;

Amendment

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays, *technically speaking*, an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy of the Union, as well as in making the Union's decision-making system accountable to citizens by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the *Commission* at the Union level, by the legislative co-decision procedure, *and by attributing direct legal initiative to the European Parliament, akin to national parliaments*;

Or. en

Amendment 213
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy of the Union, *as well as in making* the Union's decision-making system accountable to citizens by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the executive at the Union level and by the legislative co-decision procedure;

Amendment

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays an essential role in ensuring the legitimacy of the Union, *makes* the Union's decision-making system accountable to citizens by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the executive at the Union level and by the legislative co-decision procedure *whose scope should be extended*;

Or. fr

Amendment 214
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays *an essential* role *in ensuring* the *legitimacy of* the *Union*, as well as in *making the Union's decision-making system accountable to citizens by ensuring proper parliamentary scrutiny over the executive at the Union level and by the legislative co-decision procedure*;

Amendment

7. Underlines that the directly elected European Parliament plays *a complementary legitimising* role *compared to the main legitimation conferred by the national governments and parliaments*, as *the German Constitutional Court recalled in its 'Lisbon' Judgment of 30 June 2009*, *whereas the absence of a single European people instead of the twenty-eight peoples at present, the absence of a continent-wide 'demos' that can neither be invented or decreed into existence, is still an unavoidable reality, and whereas politics obviously has to be rooted in reality*;

Or. fr

Amendment 215
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control

Amendment

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control

over the Commission in the implementation of the *acquis*, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate;

over the Commission in the implementation of the *acquis*, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate; ***notes that, for these purposes too, the European Parliament intends to change its Rules of Procedure so that the President of the European Commission is elected by open ballot;***

Or. pl

Amendment 216
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. ***Recalls*** that the ***European Parliament is the parliament*** of the ***whole Union***; ***considers that its working methods*** should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission ***in the implementation of the acquis***, and to ensure proper democratic accountability ***even in the*** areas in which ***not*** all Member States participate;

Amendment

8. ***Considers*** that the ***working methods*** of the ***European Parliament*** should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission and to ensure proper democratic accountability ***but only as far as those areas are concerned***, in which all Member States participate;

Or. en

Amendment 217
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the ***parliament*** of the ***whole*** Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission in the

Amendment

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the ***parliamentary institution*** of the ***European*** Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the

implementation of the acquis, *and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate*;

Commission in the implementation of *those chapters of the acquis with respect to freedom of expression, the fight against corruption, and the independence of the judiciary for (candidate) Member States*;

Or. en

Amendment 218

Arne Gericke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission in the implementation of the acquis, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate;

Amendment

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to *reinforce the rights of participation of all its Members and to* strengthen its control over the Commission in the implementation of the acquis, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate;

Or. de

Amendment 219

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission in the implementation of the acquis, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States

Amendment

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission in the implementation of the acquis, and to ensure proper democratic accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States

participate;

participate, *inter alia through finding ways to guarantee the parliamentary democratic accountability of eurozone-specific actions and decisions;*

Or. en

Amendment 220
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its control over the Commission in *the implementation of the acquis*, and to *ensure* proper *democratic* accountability even in the areas in which not all Member States participate;

Amendment

8. Recalls that the European Parliament is the parliament of the whole Union *in addition to the European Council, the Council and the national parliaments as a whole*; considers that its working methods should be reformed so as to strengthen its *democratic* control, *establish that of national parliaments in particular* over the Commission in *all its activities* and to *re-establish* proper *and consistent political* accountability *and scrutiny and genuine transparency* even in the areas in which not all Member States participate;

Or. fr

Amendment 221
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

8a. Considers that, in view of the need to enhance the prestige and impartiality of office of President of the European Parliament, he or she should be elected by a 2/3 majority of votes;

Amendment

Amendment 222
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified and made more meaningful and substantial, without overstepping the limits of their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to ***mandate and scrutinise at national level*** the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European ***executive***;

Amendment

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified and made more meaningful and substantial, without overstepping the limits of their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to ***monitor subsidiarity through the early warning mechanism (Protocol nr 2 in conjunction with Article 5.3 TEU), as well as*** the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European ***Commission***;

Or. en

Amendment 223
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified ***and made more meaningful and substantial***, without overstepping the limits of ***their*** respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to

Amendment

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified ***effectively in clearly distinguishing between those tasks subjected to national sovereignty of the single member state and those subjected to EU institutional level***, without overstepping the limits of ***the***

mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Member States' respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Or. en

Amendment 224

Arne Gericke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified and made more meaningful and substantial, without overstepping the limits of their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Amendment

9. Considers that political dialogue between national *and regional* parliaments and the European Parliament should be intensified and made more meaningful and substantial, without overstepping the limits of their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national *and regional* parliaments are best placed to mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Or. de

Amendment 225

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament *should be intensified and made more meaningful and substantial, without overstepping the limits of* their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Amendment

9. Considers that political dialogue between national parliaments and the European Parliament *is important, recalls however* their respective constitutional competences; points out, in this regard, that national parliaments are best placed to mandate and scrutinise at national level the action of their respective governments in European affairs, while the European Parliament should ensure the democratic accountability and legitimacy of the European executive;

Or. en

Amendment 226

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Believes there is a need to create conditions for cooperation between countries inside and outside the eurozone which do not discriminate against the latter, and also to strengthen competitiveness and the internal market, reduce the regulatory burden, safeguard national sovereignty and increase the role of national parliaments;

Or. pl

Amendment 227

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Considers it vital to strengthen institutional transparency and openness in the EU as well as the way in which political decision-making in the EU is communicated; urges that efforts be stepped up with a view to the revision of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, and Directive 93/109/EC, laying down detailed arrangements for the exercise of the right to vote and stand as a candidate in elections to the European Parliament for citizens of the Union residing in a Member State of which they are not nationals;

Or. es

Amendment 228

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Considers it necessary to increase citizens' active participation and strengthen the concept of 'political citizenship' by revising Regulation No 211/2011 on the European citizens' initiative with a view to improving its functioning and the use of digital media (e-democracy);

Or. es

Amendment 229

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9c. Recalls that the power to set up committees of inquiry is an intrinsic feature of parliamentary systems around the world, and the Treaty of Lisbon provides for a special legislative procedure for the adoption of a regulation on the right of inquiry in Article 226(3) TFEU; stresses that, in accordance with the principle of sincere cooperation, Parliament, the Council and the Commission should agree on the adoption of a new regulation;

Or. es

Amendment 230
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Considers the potential of the European Citizens Initiative as not yet fully exploited to give Citizens a say; urges the Commission to propose a revision of Regulation (EU) N°211/2011 to allow proper follow-up to a successful ECI; commits in the event that the Commission fails to provide a legislative proposal, to exercise its right under the terms of Article 225 TFEU to ask the Commission to submit an appropriate proposal; calls on the Commission to include, in the future revision of the regulation, a proposal to allow ECIs that concern the primary law of the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 231
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, *pari passu* with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission; **deleted**

Or. en

Amendment 232
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, *pari passu* with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission; **deleted**

Or. en

Amendment 233
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, *pari passu* with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission;

Amendment

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, *pari passu* with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission; ***asks consequently to be involved in the confirmation of the President of the European Council as well as of the High Representative for the EU Foreign Affairs, who is also one of the Vice-presidents of the European Commission;***

Or. en

Amendment 234
Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, ***pari passu with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement***, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission;

Amendment

10. Insists that Parliament's legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, ***including by inter-institutional agreements*** and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 235
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Insists that **Parliament's** legislative powers and control rights must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, pari passu with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission;

Amendment

10. Insists that **the** legislative powers and control rights **of the European Parliament and the networked the national parliaments** must be guaranteed, consolidated and strengthened, pari passu with those of the Council by an inter-institutional agreement, and through the use of the corresponding legal base by the Commission;

Or. fr

Amendment 236
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

Amendment

deleted

⁵ *Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.*

Or. en

Amendment 237
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, **and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;**

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. pl

Amendment 238
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation

and application of the *acquis in the* Member States, by *limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency*, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

and application of *especially those chapters of the acquis with respect to freedom of expression, the fight against corruption, protection of religious and minority rights and the independence of the judiciary for (candidate)* Member States, by *abolishing the possibility of first-reading agreements*, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. en

Amendment 239 **Charles Goerens**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 11**

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by *limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing*

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by *limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency;*

measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. en

Amendment 240
Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, *by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;*

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. en

Amendment 241
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, **and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step** through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, **by strongly limiting and guaranteeing the full transparency of the Trilogues in the ordinary legislative procedure and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act** through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. en

Amendment 242

Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, **by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency**, and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its

resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Or. en

Amendment 243 **Arne Gericke**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 11**

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, ***and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;***

⁵ Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order ***to reinforce the rights of participation of its Members and*** to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the acquis in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency;

Or. de

Amendment 244

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by **limiting** first-reading agreements **to exceptional cases of urgency, and** by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

⁵ *Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.*

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by **submitting the first-reading agreements procedure to the highest standards of transparency,** by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;

Or. en

Amendment 245

Arne Gericke, Ulrike Müller

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to **reinforce the rights of participation of its Members and to** cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in

Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, **and by improving its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;**

relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency;

⁵ *Texts adopted, P8_TA(2015)0395.*

Or. de

Amendment 246

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, and by **improving** its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act ***in line with Parliament's proposals contained in its resolution of 11 November 2015 on the reform of the electoral law of the European Union⁵ or as a future step through the adoption of implementing measures in application of Article 14 of the Electoral Act;***

Amendment

11. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to reform its working methods in order to cope with the challenges ahead, by using its control over the Commission, including in relation to the implementation and application of the *acquis* in the Member States, by limiting first-reading agreements to exceptional cases of urgency, and by ***further harmonizing*** its own electoral procedure through the revision of the 1976 Electoral Act ***which should notably include the establishment of transnational constituencies;***

Amendment 247
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Expresses its intention to make more use of legislative initiative reports under Article 225 TFEU;

Amendment 248
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Considers it necessary for the European Parliament to be involved in the drafting of the Commission's multiannual work programme by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (Article 17), with the aim of participating fully in the shaping of the Union's future political strategy;

Amendment 249
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Takes the view that Parliament should sign an interinstitutional agreement with the European Investment Bank so that the political groups can table parliamentary questions to its President;

Or. es

Amendment 250

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11b. Takes the view that Parliament should set up an entry register at its headquarters and in all the delegations in the Member States allowing citizens to hand over documents in person, with certification of content;

Or. es

Amendment 251

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11c. Considers it necessary to regulate the negotiations between Parliament and the Council, known as trilogues, in order to increase transparency and accountability, including making provision for all Members who have tabled amendments to attend as observers;

Or. es

Amendment 252
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11d. Takes the view that it should be made easier to exercise the right of petition;

Or. es

Amendment 253
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11e. Takes the view that European voluntary service plays an integral part in building a European citizenship and consequently recommends that the Commission look into how it might be made easier for young people to take part; suggests, further, that periods of European voluntary service should count as an advantage in the recruitment tests for jobs in Union institutions (EPSO);

Or. es

Amendment 254
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11f. Takes the view that a paper or

electronic Official Journal of the European Parliament should be introduced to authenticate all resolutions and reports approved by it;

Or. es

Amendment 255

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of **new** joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Or. es

Amendment 256

Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to **directly** influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making **bodies** for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process **more directly**; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary **bodies with** decision-making **powers, or otherwise influence**, for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Or. en

Amendment 257
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents **of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best**

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents **and adoption or rejection of legislative and budgetary proposals; therefore, national parliaments should have a greater say over EU law-making, by using the tools at their disposal, viz. the yellow and orange card (whose result should be binding, without the Commission having the possibility to ignore it), and by introducing the so-called "green card" procedure, in conformity with a recent proposal of the**

placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), whereby legislative initiatives could be proposed to the EU institutions by national parliaments;

Or. en

Amendment 258

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act, *but supports the idea of creating a 'green card' procedure under which national parliaments will be able to submit proposals for EU laws;*

Or. pl

Amendment 259

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, ***however***, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, ***which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;***

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council; ***stresses, however, that national parliaments must have new rights, negative and propositive, to monitor and influence EU decisions. Election and referenda results cannot be systematically neglected by EU authorities;***

Or. en

Amendment 260
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; ***insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members***

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; ***strengthens national parliaments to democratically express their deviation by granting them Veto-right or, if no consensus can be achieved, by allowing them to find individual national solutions for their countries; proposes to clearly distinguish and define the areas where decision-making competences should***

of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

remain with the national parliaments and where they should be transferred to the European Parliament, respectively. In the latter case, national parliaments should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, amongst others, by backing up the Council and the European Parliament in influencing the content of and exercising scrutiny over the European legislative process;

Or. en

Amendment 261
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act; ***takes the view, likewise, that national parliaments, together with regional parliaments with legislative capacity and/or exclusive devolved powers, are best able to apply European legislation in line with the particular needs of each territory, on the basis that***

this must on no account lead to incorrect transposition of directives that might entail disparities among European citizens;

Or. es

Amendment 262
Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former *should* exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals *when relevant*; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former *must* exercise their European function on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Or. en

Amendment 263
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should **exercise** their European **function** on the basis of their national constitutions, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act;

Amendment

12. Encourages meaningful political dialogue with national parliaments on the contents of legislative proposals; insists, however, on a clear delineation of the respective decision-making competences of the national parliaments and the European Parliament, where the former should **better assume** their European **responsibility** on the basis of their national constitutions, **which constitute the apex of the hierarchy of norms**, in particular via the control of their national governments as members of the European Council and the Council, which is the level where they are best placed to directly influence the content of and exercise scrutiny over the European legislative process; is therefore against the creation of joint parliamentary decision-making bodies for reasons of transparency, accountability and ability to act; **encourages the sharing and spread of good practices such as the mechanism whereby national parliaments confer a negotiating mandate on their ministers prior to Council meetings, the solemn parliamentary approval prior to any activation of a 'passerelle' clause or the implementation of any simplified procedure for the revision of the Treaties; calls for the establishment of a practicable and productive 'red card' procedure, a right of 'non-participation', a recall clause for delegated acts and implementing acts, automatic sunset clauses for some European legislation, a parliamentary initiative mechanism for revising existing European legislation, a parliamentary initiative mechanism for repatriating powers on the basis of subsidiarity; in order to achieve this European democratic revolution, calls for the development of interparliamentary cooperation with the support of COSAC by creating a Council of networking national parliaments;**

Amendment 264**Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 12 a (new)***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

12a. Stresses equally strongly the need to strengthen the role of national parliaments through effective use of the ‘yellow and orange card’ procedure, whereby a group of national parliaments, acting together, could block a particular legislative proposal;

Or. pl

Amendment 265**Marcus Pretzell****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 13***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing ***and consultation*** in order to exercise control over ***their respective*** administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments, ***as well as the introduction of intervening options***, in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing, ***consultation respecting the principles of subsidiarity and national sovereignty*** in order to exercise control over ***the***

Parliament and their national equivalents;

European institutions and administrations;
underlines the need for stronger
cooperation between the specialised
committees of the European Parliament
and their national equivalents;

Or. en

Amendment 266
Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

Amendment

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents *by creating synergies and thus improving coherence*;

Or. en

Amendment 267
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

Amendment

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; ***calls on the European Commission and the Council to participate at a high political level in the interparliamentary meetings***; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

Or. en

Amendment 268

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in

Amendment

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in

the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for stronger cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents *within these joint bodies*;

Or. en

Amendment 269

Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for *stronger* cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

Amendment

13. Stresses the importance of cooperation between the European Parliament and national parliaments in joint bodies such as the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), and the Inter-parliamentary Conference on Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP-IPC), and in the framework of Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union on the basis of the principles of consensus, information sharing and consultation in order to exercise control over their respective administrations; underlines the need for *closer* cooperation between the specialised committees of the European Parliament and their national equivalents;

Or. fr

Amendment 270

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Encourages the exchange of best practices in parliamentary scrutiny between national parliaments, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission in an appropriate timeframe;

Amendment

14. Encourages the exchange of best practices in parliamentary scrutiny between national parliaments, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers, *visits to national parliaments for exchanges with MEPs* and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission in an appropriate timeframe;

Or. es

Amendment 271
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Encourages the *exchange of best practices in* parliamentary scrutiny *between national parliaments*, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission in an appropriate timeframe;

Amendment

14. Encourages the *practice of* parliamentary scrutiny, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission *as well as the European Parliament* in an appropriate timeframe;

Or. en

Amendment 272
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Encourages the exchange of best practices in parliamentary scrutiny between national parliaments, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission in an appropriate timeframe;

Amendment

14. Encourages the exchange of best practices in parliamentary scrutiny between national parliaments, such as the holding of regular debates between the respective ministers and the specialised committees in national parliaments before and after Council meetings, and with Members of the European Commission in an appropriate timeframe; ***encourages the establishment of exchanges of officials of institutions and political groups between the administrations of the European Parliament and national parliaments;***

Or. fr

Amendment 273

Arne Gericke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 274

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Stresses the importance of the federal, decentralised structure of the European Union, which must also be reflected in the distribution of the Institutions among the EU's Member States;

Or. de

Amendment

14a. Calls for the development of genuine

interparliamentary cooperation, with the support of COSAC, through the informal creation of a Council of national parliaments, in which:

- all draft European acts would be discussed and, where applicable, approved by networking parliaments;*
- they would assume their eminent legislative responsibility in particular in the following areas: the movement of persons, visas, asylum, migration, nationality, foreign affairs, defence, the budget, criminal law, culture, language, the family, education, religion, ethical or philosophical issues, fundamental political freedoms, elections and social systems;*
- sectoral parliamentary committees would ensure the preparation and follow-up for the various Councils;*
- good practices, such as the practice whereby national parliaments confer a negotiating mandate on their ministers prior to Council meetings or the consultation of parliamentary assemblies prior to the activation of a 'passerelle' clause or the implementation of a simplified revision procedure, would be shared;*

Or. fr

Amendment 275
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Takes the view that care needs to be taken to prevent any 'gold-plating' of EU legislation by Member States and that national parliaments have a key role to play here;

Amendment 276

Arne Gericke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Calls, with due regard for the federal, decentralised structure of the European Union and for the aspect of closeness to the citizens, for permanent reinforcement of the official single seat of the European Parliament in the Treaties;

Or. de

Amendment 277

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Insists on curbing the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

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Or. fr

Amendment 278

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Insists on curbing the interference of

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the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Or. fr

Amendment 279

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Insists on curbing the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Amendment

15. Insists on curbing the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties *and calls for the conclusion of an interinstitutional agreement between the European Parliament and the European Council in order to formalise the working relations between the European Council and Parliament;*

Or. en

Amendment 280

Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Insists on *curbing* the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Amendment

15. Insists on *abolishing* the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 281

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Insists on ***curbing the interference*** of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Amendment

15. Insists on ***avoiding any interferences*** of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties, ***in particular article 15 TEU***;

Or. en

Amendment 282

Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. ***Insists on curbing the interference*** of the European Council in the legislative process ***as it goes against the letter and spirit of*** the Treaties;

Amendment

15. ***Regrets that deadlock in the Council has necessitated the involvement*** of the European Council in the legislative process ***that goes beyond the strategic guidelines role attributed to it by*** the treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 283

Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Insists on curbing the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties;

Amendment

15. Insists on curbing the interference of the European Council in the legislative process as it goes against the letter and spirit of the Treaties, ***as detailed in article 15 TEU***;

Amendment 284
Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Stresses that the existing, ratified Treaties are the basis for renegotiation of any Member State's membership of the Union, stresses that any modification of any Member State's membership of the Union must be negotiated transparently, through a convention and then ratified by all 28 Member States; deplores the Heads of State and Government's decision to propose a new settlement for the UK in the EU through an international agreement, which is undemocratic and which creates legal uncertainty;

Or. en

Amendment 285
Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the

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basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;

Or. en

Amendment 286
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;

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Or. en

Amendment 287
Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional

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Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;

Or. en

Amendment 288

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;

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(Based on a contribution from the Union of European Federalists "Improving the efficiency, democracy and legitimacy of the EU institutions within the current Treaties: possibilities and limits")

Or. en

Amendment 289

Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. ***Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;***

Amendment

16. ***Insists to keep separate the function of President of the European Council and that of President of the European Commission, since a double-hatted presidency might result in an over-centralisation of powers;***

Or. en

Amendment 290
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. ***Notes that it is possible within the Treaties to merge the function of President of the European Council with that of President of the European Commission; and that the European Council, by means of an Interinstitutional Agreement (IIA), could engage itself politically to appoint as its President the Commission President, who should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;***

Amendment

16. ***Notes that the Commission President should be elected by the European Parliament on a proposal by the European Council on the basis of the European election results, as was the case in the 2014 European elections;***

Or. en

Amendment 291
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Calls on the European Council to start activating the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU) in order to switch from unanimity to QMV voting in the remaining policy areas where this is not yet the case; **deleted**

Or. fr

Amendment 292
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Calls on the European Council to *start activating* the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU) *in order* to switch from unanimity to QMV voting in *the remaining* policy areas *where this is not yet the case*;

17. Calls on the European Council to *make more frequent use of* the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU), *authorising the Council* to switch from unanimity to QMV voting in policy areas *relating to matters where the Treaties require unanimity*;

Or. es

Amendment 293
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Calls on the European Council *to start activating the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU) in order to switch from unanimity to QMV voting in the remaining policy areas where this is not yet the case;*

Amendment

17. Calls on the European Council *not to extend QMV since this would promote the Union's movement toward supra-nationalism and, as such, would threaten the sovereignty of (smaller) Member States that unanimous voting would protect;*

Or. en

Amendment 294
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Calls on the European Council to start activating the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU) in order to switch from unanimity to QMV voting *in the remaining policy areas where this is not yet the case;*

Amendment

17. Calls on the European Council to start activating the ‘passerelle clause’ (Article 48 (7) TEU) in order to switch from unanimity to QMV voting *only if every Member State fully complies with all articles of Lisbon Treaty and only in an individual policy area or case;*

Or. en

Amendment 295
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Insists that the European Council publicly explain and motivate its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 296

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Insists that the European Council publicly *explain and motivate* its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Amendment

18. Insists that the European Council publicly *outline and explain* its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Or. en

Amendment 297

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Insists that the European Council publicly explain and motivate its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Amendment

18. Insists that the European Council publicly explain and motivate its policies before the *plenary of the* European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its *formal and informal* meetings;

Or. en

Amendment 298

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Insists that the European Council publicly explain and motivate its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Amendment

18. Insists that the European Council publicly **and regularly** explain and motivate its policies before the European Parliament, including by presenting its intentions in advance of its meetings;

Or. en

Amendment 299

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Calls on the President of the European Parliament to inform the Conference of Presidents in advance of the views he intends to uphold in his speech to the European Council;

Or. es

Amendment 300

Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Calls on the President of the European Council to agree to reply to parliamentary questions put to him by the political groups on that Institution's deliberations, agreements and decisions;

Or. es

Amendment 301
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Amendment

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and **the European** Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 302
Siôn Simon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Amendment

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations **to a single legislative one** by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 303

Charles Goerens, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Amendment

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations, ***including the Eurogroup***, as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 304

Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Proposes that the ***Council*** be ***transformed*** into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; ***suggests involving*** the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees

Amendment

19. Proposes that the ***advisability should be examined of transforming the Council*** into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; the currently active specialised Council configurations ***could be included*** as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the

in the European Parliament;

Committees in the European Parliament;

Or. fr

Amendment 305

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament;

Amendment

19. Proposes that the Council be transformed into a true legislative chamber by reducing the number of Council configurations by means of a European Council decision, thus creating a genuinely bi-cameral legislative system involving the Council and Parliament, with the Commission acting as the executive; suggests involving the currently active specialised Council configurations as preparatory bodies for the legislative Council, along the lines of the Committees in the European Parliament; ***suggests that the legislative Council be preferably composed of full-time representatives appointed by national governments at the ministerial level;***

(Based on a contribution from the Union of European Federalists "Improving the efficiency, democracy and legitimacy of the EU institutions within the current Treaties: possibilities and limits")

Or. en

Amendment 306

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Insists that the Eurogroup should be subject to more transparency and democratic accountability; calls for the adoption of internal rules of procedure, the writing and publishing of minutes, results and explanations of votes;

Or. en

Amendment 307
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the *access* of Parliament representatives *as observers* in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Amendment

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the *involvement* of Parliament representatives in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 308
Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making *and* the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Amendment

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making, *improving the exchange of documents and information between Parliament and the Council and allowing* the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Amendment 309

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Insists on the importance of **enhancing the** transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Amendment

20. Insists on the importance of **guaranteeing** transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation **as well as full access to its documents**;

Or. en

Amendment 310

Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

Amendment

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies, **in particular** in cases of legislation;

Or. fr

Amendment 311

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation;

20. Insists on the importance of enhancing the transparency of Council legislative decision-making and the access of Parliament representatives as observers in meetings of the Council and its bodies in cases of legislation; ***believes both Parliament and Council should hold all meetings public in general and in camera only in exceptional cases;***

Or. en

Amendment 312
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 313
Werner Langen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the

deleted

Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;

Or. de

Amendment 314
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission; ***deleted***

Or. en

Amendment 315
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission; ***deleted***

Or. en

Amendment 316

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 317

Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 318

Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 319

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. ***Calls for*** the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;

21. ***Believes that*** the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, ***could not be pursued*** through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission, ***as Interinstitutional Agreements only allow for a specification of existing legal frameworks; recalls that the unity of liability and control is a key prerequisite for the stability of any institutional set-up, and in particular with regard to economic, fiscal and monetary matters, and points to the current set-up of budgetary sovereignty and ownership of Member States;***

Or. en

Amendment 320

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls for the **creation** of the position of **European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP)** for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;

Amendment

21. Calls for the **merger** of the position of **the** permanent President of the Eurogroup and **the Commissioner** for Economic and Financial Affairs, through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, **European Council, Eurogroup** and Commission; **calls on the President of the Commission to appoint this Commissioner as Vice-President of the Commission;**

Or. en

Amendment 321
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs, **through an Interinstitutional Agreement between Parliament, Council and Commission;**

Amendment

21. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister, combining the roles of a permanent President of the Eurogroup and Commission Vice-President (VP) for Economic and Financial Affairs;

Or. fr

Amendment 322
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Considers to call the Commissioner for Economic and Financial Affairs, that also holds the position as President of the Eurogroup 'EU Finance Minister' once the fiscal capacity and the European Monetary Fund are established;

Or. en

Amendment 323
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Demands that the President and the Members of the Eurogroup are subject to appropriate mechanisms of democratic accountability towards the European Parliament, by ensuring an adequate parliamentary ex-ante and ex-post scrutiny over EU-level executive decisions, including through the publication of minutes and full access to all relevant information and documents;

Or. en

Amendment 324
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls for Parliament to sign an interinstitutional agreement with the Eurogroup under which its President would reply to parliamentary questions

tabled by the political groups;

Or. es

Amendment 325
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Points to the need of modifying the Framework Agreement between the European Parliament and the European Commission in order to include a legal obligation for the President of the Commission to make use of his/her right to request the resignation of the EU Finance Minister under Article 17(6) TEU if the European Parliament decides so by a majority of the component Members of the Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 326
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;

22. Demands not to further extend QMV voting in the Council, since the preservation of unanimity in several fields is of crucial importance in order to avoid (1) further erosion of national sovereignty and (2) disproportionate influence of larger Member States;

Amendment 327

Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Demands that the Council *switches completely to QMV voting and that it* abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, *which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;*

Amendment

22. Demands that the Council abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty;

Or. en

Amendment 328

Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;

Amendment

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting, *which requires a Treaty change*, and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 329
Richard Corbett

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;

Amendment

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting ***wherever possible under the treaties*** and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 330
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. ***Demands*** that the Council ***switches*** completely to QMV voting ***and*** that it ***abandons*** the practice of ***transferring*** contentious legislative fields ***to*** the European Council, ***as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;***

Amendment

22. ***Rejects the idea*** that the Council ***should switch*** completely to QMV voting ***or*** that it ***abandon*** the practice of ***arbitration in*** contentious legislative fields ***by*** the European Council, ***the pre-eminent democratic institution of the Union, which is charged, under Article 15 TEU, with providing ‘the Union with the necessary impetus for its development and [defining] the general political directions ...thereof’, vital and wide-ranging tasks that all other institutions of the Union must respect;***

Or. fr

Amendment 331
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting *and that it abandons the practice of transferring contentious legislative fields to the European Council, as this goes against the letter and the spirit of the Treaty, which stipulates that the European Council can only decide unanimously, and should only do so, on broad political goals, not on legislation;*

Amendment

22. Demands that the Council switches completely to QMV voting;

Or. fr

Amendment 332
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is determined to implement fully Treaty provisions on enhanced cooperation by committing not to give its consent to any new enhanced cooperation proposals unless the participating Member States commit to activate the special ‘passerelle clause’ enshrined in Article 333 TFEU to switch from unanimity to QMV, and from a special to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 333
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Is determined to implement fully Treaty provisions on enhanced cooperation by committing not to give its consent to any new enhanced cooperation proposals unless the participating Member States commit to activate the special ‘passerelle clause’ enshrined in Article 333 TFEU to switch from unanimity to QMV, and from a special to the ordinary legislative procedure;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 334
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Is determined to implement fully Treaty provisions on enhanced cooperation by committing not to give its consent to any new enhanced cooperation proposals unless the participating Member States commit to activate the special ‘passerelle clause’ enshrined in Article 333 TFEU to switch from unanimity to QMV, and from a special to the ordinary legislative procedure;

23. Is aware that, in the undesirable context of continuous enlargement of the European Union, possibilities for enhanced cooperation should be increased since it can be a valuable alternative for Member States that are not willing to commit to further supranational integration;

Or. en

Amendment 335
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is determined to implement fully Treaty provisions on enhanced cooperation by ***committing not to give its consent to any new enhanced cooperation proposals unless the*** participating Member States commit to activate the special ‘passerelle clause’ enshrined in Article 333 TFEU to switch from unanimity to QMV, and from a special to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

23. Is determined to implement fully Treaty provisions on enhanced cooperation by ***desiring that*** participating Member States commit ***as often as possible*** to activate the special ‘passerelle clause’ enshrined in Article 333 TFEU to switch from unanimity to QMV, and from a special to the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. fr

Amendment 336
Constance Le Grip, Alain Lamassoure

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

23a. Stresses the importance of taking full advantage of the enhanced cooperation procedure enshrined in Article 20 of the Treaty on European Union, especially among eurozone Member States, so that those Member States wishing to establish enhanced cooperation among themselves as part of the non-exclusive competences of the Union are able, through this mechanism, to promote the attainment of the objectives of the Union and strengthen their integration process subject to the limits and in accordance with the arrangements laid down in Articles 326-334 TFEU;

Amendment

Or. fr

Amendment 337
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon, ***in order to ensure that the European Council takes full account of the election results when presenting a candidate for Parliament to elect;***

Amendment

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon;

Or. en

Amendment 338
Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon, in order to ensure that the European Council takes full account of the election results when presenting a candidate for Parliament to elect;

Amendment

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon, in order to ensure that the European Council takes full account of the election results when presenting a candidate for Parliament to elect, ***as was the case in the 2014 European Elections;***

Or. en

Amendment 339

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon, in order to ensure that the European Council takes full account of the election results when presenting a candidate for Parliament to elect;

Amendment

24. Is determined to strengthen the role of Parliament in the election of the Commission President by reinforcing the formal consultations of its political groups with the European Council President, as foreseen in Declaration 11 annexed to the Final Act of the Intergovernmental Conference which adopted the Treaty of Lisbon, in order to ensure that the European Council takes full account of the election results when presenting a candidate for Parliament to elect, *as was the case in the 2014 European elections*;

Or. en

Amendment 340

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Reiterates the need that all Commission's proposals are fully justified and accompanied by a detailed impact assessment, including a human rights assessment;

Or. en

Amendment 341

Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Calls for the creation of the position of European Finance Minister to strengthen the Commission's role as the executive in the field of Economic and Fiscal Policy;

Or. en

Amendment 342
Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Takes the view that the independence of the President of the Commission could be increased if every Member State were to designate at least three candidates of both genders who could be considered by the elected President of the Commission for the purpose of constituting his or her Commission;

Or. de

Amendment 343
Sven Giegold
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Calls for the repealing of the decision of the European Council on the 22 May 2013 in order to abolish the principle of one Commissioner per

Member State, as it does allow for an effective functioning of the Commission, and for the full implementation of Article 17(5) TEU, which states that the number of Commissioners shall correspond to two thirds of the number of Member states, and Article 244 TFEU on the rotation system of Commissioners;

(Based on a contribution from the Union of European Federalists "Improving the efficiency, democracy and legitimacy of the EU institutions within the current Treaties: possibilities and limits")

Or. en

Amendment 344
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 345
Pervenche Berès

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role

deleted

similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;

Or. fr

Amendment 346
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 347
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 348
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 349
Burkhard Balz, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;

25. Insists that the Vice-Presidents for the Euro and Social Dialogue and the Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs should be granted with all necessary means and capacities to apply and to enforce the existing economic governance framework, without political interference, and without any differentiation in the application of rules on large and small Member States; calls for an independent chief economist in DG ECFIN whose work shall be made public;

Or. en

Amendment 350
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, *with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;*

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, *in order to support an EU fiscal capacity based on enhanced own resourced, to be collected especially through corrective taxes on economic activities generating negative externalities, such as a Financial Transaction Tax and a Carbon Tax;*

Or. en

Amendment 351

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos, Fabio De Masi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, *in order to support the European Finance Minister;*

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States;

Or. en

Amendment 352

Sven Giegold

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
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Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, *in order to support the European Finance Minister*;

Treasury Administration, *in order to support the European Finance Minister; calls for the creation of a Budget Office located within the European Parliament*, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States;

Or. en

Amendment 353
Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the *Congressional Budget Office* in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister;

Amendment

25. Suggests, on the basis of Article 352 TFEU, the creation of an EU Fiscal and Treasury Administration, with a role similar to that of the *Office of Management and Budget* in the United States, in order to support the European Finance Minister; *considers that the European Parliament should accordingly create an independent technical body, with a role similar to that of the Congressional Budget Office in the United States, in order to support and enhance its political control over economic and fiscal matters*;

Or. en

Amendment 354
Marcus Pretzell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within

Amendment

deleted

the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB);

Or. en

Amendment 355
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB);

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Or. fr

Amendment 356
Jonás Fernández, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB);

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions *such as the Bank for International Settlements* (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB);

Amendment 357
Markus Ferber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Insists on ensuring ***a single representation*** of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) ***by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB)***;

Amendment

26. Insists on ensuring ***better coordination*** of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU);

(Voting rights at the IMF are determined by the size of the quotas contributed. Irrespective of the aim of achieving closely coordinated action by the Member States, voting rights should therefore not be aggregated, in order to not to divorce political and fiscal responsibility from each other.)

Or. de

Amendment 358
Gerolf Annemans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Insists ***on ensuring*** a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) ***by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB)***;

Amendment

26. Insists ***that*** a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU), ***would imply that in these international institutions the various Eurozone members would lose control over their respective economic policies***;

Or. en

Amendment 359
Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB);

Amendment

26. Insists on ensuring a single representation of the EU/eurozone within the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and other international financial institutions (Article 138 TFEU) by its Finance Minister/VP of the Commission and the President of the European Central Bank (ECB); ***calls for the Single Supervisory Mechanism to be the sole representative of the EU at the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision for all elements concerning Banking Union; takes the view that the EU should streamline and codify its representation in all multilateral organisations/bodies with a view to increasing the transparency, integrity and accountability of the Union's involvement in these bodies;***

Or. en