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AMENDMENTS

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Transparency, accountability and integrity in the EU institutions
(2015/2041(INI))

Amendment 386 Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Recognises the progress made in the transparency of trade negotiations, **but insists that** these advances with respect to TTIP **must** be extended to all trade negotiations;

Amendment

39. Recognises the progress made in the transparency of trade negotiations, **calls for** these advances with respect to TTIP **to** be extended to all trade negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 387

Andrej Plenković, György Schöpflin, Esteban González Pons, Tomáš Zdechovský, Paulo Rangel, Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. **Recognises** the progress **made** in the transparency of trade negotiations, **but insists that these advances with respect to TTIP must be extended to all trade** negotiations;

Amendment

39. **Welcomes** the progress in the transparency of trade negotiations **and the Commission's efforts to ensure greater openness; recognises that TTIP negotiations procedure is now among the most transparent public international negotiations ever; understands at the same time that a degree of confidentiality in the process of negotiations is often necessary for their success;**

Or. en

Amendment 388

Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Pedro Silva Pereira, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

39 a. Calls on the Council to publish the negotiation mandates for international trade negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 389
Franck Proust

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

39a. whereas the Commission has understood the importance of transparency, given Parliament's significant power of scrutiny in the monitoring of negotiations and the ratification of trade agreements;

Or. fr

Amendment 390
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed

deleted

for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Or. en

Amendment 391
Jean-Marie Cavada

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates, ***all negotiating positions, all requests and offers*** and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Or. fr

Amendment 392
Rainer Wieland, Daniel Caspary, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, ***when*** the Commission ***engages in trade negotiations, it*** should publish ***the*** negotiation mandates, ***all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation*** texts ***prior to each negotiation round, so*** that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public,

Amendment

40. Believes that the Commission should publish ***its*** negotiation mandates and all ***relevant*** texts ***concerning negotiations in which it is involved, provided that the negotiating position is not weakened as a result; considers it desirable*** that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, ***should***

can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

be able to make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Or. de

Amendment 393
Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in **trade** negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates, **all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round**, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, **as well as civil society organisations and the wider public**, can **make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification**;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in **international** negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates **before the negotiations begin**, so that the European Parliament, national parliaments and **citizens can take note of them; calls on the Commission to ensure public access to other documents connected to these negotiations, provided their publication is no longer liable to affect the course of the negotiations or European interests**;

Or. fr

Amendment 394
Franck Proust

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in **trade** negotiations, it should **publish the negotiation mandates, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation**

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in **international** negotiations, it should **distribute, at its discretion, as much material as possible relating to the negotiation rounds in order to garner support from the other European**

round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

institutions without jeopardising the EU's strategic interests;

Or. fr

Amendment 395
Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates, *all negotiating positions, all requests and offers* and all *consolidated draft negotiation texts* prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates and all *negotiating positions* prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification; *underlines that the Commission must also persuade negotiating partners to increase transparency at their end to make sure that this is a reciprocal process in which the EU's negotiating position is not compromised;*

Or. en

Amendment 396
Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Richard Corbett, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish ***the negotiation mandates***, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers ***and all consolidated draft negotiation texts*** prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish all negotiating positions ***and*** all requests and offers prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification; ***underlines that the Commission must also persuade negotiating partners to increase transparency at their end to make sure that this is a reciprocal process in which the EU's negotiating position is not compromised;***

Or. en

Amendment 397

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should ***publish the negotiation mandates, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts*** prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament ***and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public***, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should ***make available to the European Parliament, in confidence when necessary and duly justified, all relevant texts without the risk of jeopardizing the negotiation and*** prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Or. en

Amendment 398
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should publish the negotiation mandates, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification;

Amendment

40. Believes that, when the Commission engages in trade negotiations, it should **(a) publish detailed agendas of negotiation rounds prior to the negotiations and detailed reports on the rounds after, to keep the public updated on the progress of the negotiations, (b) publish the negotiation mandates, all negotiating positions, all requests and offers and all consolidated draft negotiation texts prior to each negotiation round, so that the European Parliament and national parliaments, as well as civil society organisations and the wider public, can make recommendations thereon before the negotiations are closed for comments and the agreement goes to ratification, (c) publish a list of all meetings held with the European Parliament and Member States as well as third parties (including individual companies and industry lobby groups) in relation to the negotiations. The list should include full transparency about the date of the meetings, the participants, and the topics discussed, (d) publish all submissions received by third parties in relation to the negotiations, including via public consultations, and be fully transparent about how they have been processed (via a detailed analysis report), in order for the public to assess which have been taken into account, and to what extent, (e) ensure full transparency of membership and activities of all advisory bodies in the context of the EU's trade negotiations, including the EU's sector-specific market access working groups (f) request that negotiation partners take similar steps to make negotiations more transparent;**
(based on input by Corporate Europe

Amendment 399

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40 a. Believes that when the Commission engages in trade negotiations it should publish the negotiating mandate;

Amendment 400

Franck Proust

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade negotiations;

deleted

(As all negotiations are different, it is impossible to apply a single method without the risk of hampering the defence of the EU's commercial interests.)

Amendment 401

Rainer Wieland, Daniel Caspary, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all *trade* negotiations;

Amendment

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all negotiations;

Or. de

Amendment 402

Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. *Calls on* the Commission *to propose an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade* negotiations;

Amendment

41. *Recommends that* the Commission *include these principles in a guide to good practice applicable to future international negotiations undertaken by the EU*;

Or. fr

Amendment 403

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, David Borrelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade negotiations;

Amendment

41. Calls on the Commission to propose, *within 2017*, an interinstitutional agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 404

Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Richard Corbett, Pedro Silva

Pereira, Sylvie Guillaume

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41**

Motion for a resolution

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an *interinstitutional* agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade negotiations;

Amendment

41. Calls on the Commission to propose an *inter-institutional* agreement in order to codify those principles for all trade negotiations, *as foreseen under paragraph 40 of the draft inter-institutional agreement on Better Law-Making*;

Or. en

Amendment 405

Dennis de Jong, Ruža Tomašić, Ana Gomes, Benedek Jávor

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41 a. Transparency and accountability in the domain of public spending

Believes that the data on budget and spending within the EU should be transparent and accountable through publication, including at the level of Member States in regard to shared management;

Or. en

**Amendment 406
Siôn Simon**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41 a. Reminds the Commission of the compulsory nature of accession to the

European Convention of Human Rights (ECHR), pursuant to Article 6 TFEU, as it would not only improve access to human rights, but also enhance the accountability of the EU Institutions; the own-imitative report of the European Parliament in 2010^{1a} remarks upon this and notes the extra-territorial applicability of the ECHR and as such would introduce better accountability of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), where currently the European Court of Justice does not have the jurisdiction to rule on matters in the field of CFSP, as it is an intergovernmental policy area;

^{1a} European Parliament resolution of 19 May 2010 on the institutional aspects of the accession of the European Union to the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms; Doc. P7_TA(2010)0184 (2009/2241/INI)

Or. en

Amendment 407
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41a. Calls for transparency in the conclusion of interinstitutional agreements to be enhanced and guaranteed by subjecting Commission proposals to examination by a Parliament committee and through Parliament's effective inclusion in the negotiation of such agreements;

Or. pl

Amendment 408
Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41a. Welcomes the Commission's efforts to enhance the transparency of international negotiations and to allow Parliament to be properly informed throughout the negotiation process;

Or. fr

Amendment 409
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41 a. Calls on the Commission to draft a European code of conduct on transparency, integrity and accountability, designed to guide the actions of EU representatives in international organisations/bodies; calls for better policy coherence and coordination among the global institutions through the introduction of comprehensive standards of democratic legitimacy, transparency, accountability and integrity; takes the view that the EU should streamline and codify its representation in multilateral organisations/bodies with a view to increasing the transparency, integrity and accountability of the Union's involvement in these bodies, its influence and the promotion of the legislation it has adopted through a democratic process; calls for the adoption of an interinstitutional agreement with the aim of formalising dialogues' between EU representatives and Parliament, to be organised with the European Parliament for the purpose of

establishing guidelines regarding the adoption and the coherence of European positions in the run-up to major international negotiations;

(based on the report on the EU role in the framework of international financial, monetary and regulatory institutions and bodies (2015/2060(INI)) as adopted by ECON on 18.02.2016)

Or. en

Amendment 410
Jean-Marie Cavada

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes that decisions taken ***or prepared*** in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ***'informal'*** Ecofin Council ***meetings*** and Euro summits must become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;

Amendment

42. Believes that decisions taken in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, Ecofin Council and Euro summits must become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;

Or. fr

Amendment 411
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes that decisions taken ***or prepared*** in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ***'informal'*** Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits ***must become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;***

Amendment

42. Believes that ***the transparency of*** decisions taken in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits ***should be enhanced;***

Amendment 412

Rainer Wieland, Daniel Caspary, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes that decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits must become transparent and *accountable, including through the publication of their minutes*;

Amendment

42. Believes that decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits, *or in the run-up to negotiations in contexts similar to, say, the recent Paris Climate Conference*, must become *as transparent as possible, without undermining the EU negotiating position*, and *must also satisfy the requirement of accountability*;

Or. de

Amendment 413

Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes that decisions taken *or prepared* in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council *meetings* and Euro summits must become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;

Amendment

42. Believes that decisions taken in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, Ecofin Council and Euro summits must become *as transparent and accountable as possible*, including through the publication of their minutes;

Or. fr

Amendment 414

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, David Borrelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes that decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits must become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;

Amendment

42. Believes that decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits must ***be institutionalised, where necessary, and*** become transparent and accountable, including through the publication of their ***agendas and*** minutes ***as well as, where possible, the streaming of their meeting;***

Or. en

Amendment 415

Andrej Plenković, György Schöpflin, Herbert Reul, Esteban González Pons, Tomáš Zdechovský, Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Believes ***that*** decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, ‘informal’ Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits ***must become*** transparent ***and accountable, including through the publication of their minutes;***

Amendment

42. Believes decisions taken or prepared in the Eurogroup, in the Economic and Financial Committee, “informal” Ecofin Council meetings and Euro summits ***have to be as*** transparent ***as possible, finding a right balance between desirable transparency and necessary data protection;***

Or. en

Amendment 416

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***Transparency and accountability
concerning the EU budget***

Or. en

Amendment 417
Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 a. Notes that in 2014 a total of 40 cases into EU staff and members of the institutions were concluded, underlines that this figure is low and illustrates that fraud and corruption are not endemic within the EU institutions^[1a];

^{1a} The OLAF report 2014, Fifteenth report of the European Anti-Fraud Office, 1 January to 31 December 2014

Or. en

Amendment 418
Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 b. Highlights that in 2014 the highest number of potential fraud cases reported to OLAF concern the use of European Structural Funds (549 out of 1417 allegations); underlines that OLAF recommended the financial recovery of

476.5 million euros of structural funds in 2014; notes that 22.7 million euros were recovered by the relevant authorities following OLAF's recommendations in 2014; calls on Member States to prioritise the correct allocation of EU funds and to maximise efforts to recover them when they are not correctly allocated^{1a} ;

^{1a} The OLAF report 2014, Fifteenth report of the European Anti-Fraud Office, 1 January to 31 December 2014

Or. en

Amendment 419
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 a. Calls on the Commission to submit a revision of the so-called Six-pack and Two-pack in order to provide the European Parliament with greater control powers over the adoption of key documents of the European Semester, and particularly effective means to guarantee the respect of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality;

(based on input by the Union of European Federalists)

Or. en

Amendment 420
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 b. Believes that the President of the Eurogroup cannot be held accountable for his European action if he simultaneously occupies a national mandate;

(based on input by the Union of European Federalists)

Or. en

Amendment 421
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 c. Calls on the Eurogroup to include the European Parliament in the monitoring of the implementation of the contractual conditions agreed with a beneficiary of financial assistance granted by the European Stability Mechanism;

(based on input by the Union of European Federalists)

Or. en

Amendment 422
Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Richard Corbett, Pedro Silva Pereira, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

43. **Regrets** the Ombudsman's finding that **most** EU institutions have not yet properly

43. **Notes** the Ombudsman's finding that **some** EU institutions have not yet properly

implemented rules to protect whistleblowers; points out that to date **only** the Commission, the Ombudsman and the Court of Auditors have adopted such rules;

implemented rules to protect whistleblowers; points out that to date **the European Parliament**, the Commission, the Ombudsman and the Court of Auditors have adopted such rules;

Or. en

Amendment 423
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Regrets the Ombudsman's finding that most EU institutions have not yet properly implemented rules to protect whistleblowers; points out that to date only the Commission, the Ombudsman and the Court of Auditors have adopted such rules;

Amendment

43. Regrets the Ombudsman's finding that most EU institutions have not yet properly implemented rules to protect whistleblowers; points out that to date only the Commission, the Ombudsman and the Court of Auditors have adopted such rules; ***calls on its Bureau to amend its Staff Rules to better protect whistleblowers among Accredited Parliamentary Assistants by codifying best practise to not allow dismissal without sufficient written explanation backed by evidence;***

(based on input by Transparency International and the respective shadow meeting)

Or. en

Amendment 424
Andrej Plenković, Tomáš Zdechovský, Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Regrets the Ombudsman's finding that most EU institutions have not yet properly implemented rules to protect whistleblowers; points out that to date

Amendment

43. Acknowledges that whistleblowers can play a considerable role in the fight against corruption and welcomes the progress in their protection achieved so

only the Commission, the Ombudsman and the Court of Auditors have adopted such rules;

far; regrets the Ombudsman's finding that most EU institutions have not yet properly implemented rules to protect whistleblowers;

Or. en

Amendment 425
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore reiterates its call to the Commission to prepare a *whistleblower protection directive, including* minimum Europe-wide standards of protection;

Amendment

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore reiterates its call to the Commission to prepare a *communication evaluating* minimum Europe-wide standards of *whistleblower* protection;

Or. fr

Amendment 426
Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Richard Corbett, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore *reiterates its call to the Commission to prepare a whistleblower protection directive, including minimum Europe-wide standards of protection;*

Amendment

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore *calls on the Member States and the EU-institutions to ensure the protection of whistleblowers on their respective level;*

Or. en

Amendment 427
Andrej Plenković, Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore reiterates its call to the Commission to prepare a whistleblower *protection directive, including minimum Europe-wide standards of protection*;

Amendment

44. Believes effective whistleblower protection to be a key weapon against corruption and therefore reiterates its call to the Commission to prepare a whistleblower *Communication based on the assessment of the rules at national level in order to provide for minimum rules for whistleblowers*;

Or. en

Amendment 428
Morten Messerschmidt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44 – point 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(1) -Regrets the decision of the European Commission to withdraw a chapter on EU institutions from the report on corruption in Member states;

- Reminds the speech of Commissioner Malmstrom in March 2013 where she recognised that corruption within the European Commission and other EU Institutions is an issue that should be taken seriously;

- Calls the Commission to prepare a report on corruption in EU institutions taking into consideration the Council of Europe's Group of States Against Corruption (Greco) as a possible external institution, that could be able objectively evaluate corruption risks in EU institutions;

Amendment 429

Andrej Plenковиć, Tomáš Zdechovský, Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 44 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

44 a. Asks the Commission to apply strictly the measures pertaining to discretion and exclusion in respect of public procurement, with proper background checks being carried out in every instance, and to apply the exclusion criteria in order to debar companies in the event of any conflict of interest, this being essential to protect the credibility of the institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 430

Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 44 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

44 a. Believes whistleblowers too often found more prosecution than support even in EU institutions; calls on Commission to propose an amendment on the regulation governing the Ombudsman's office and add to her remit being a focal point for whistleblowers who find themselves to be maltreated; calls on Commission to propose an appropriate increase in the budget of the Ombudsman to allow to put into effect this new demanding task;

Or. en

Amendment 431

Dennis de Jong, Ruža Tomašić, Ana Gomes, Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 432

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament; *deleted*

Or. fr

Amendment 433

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 434

Andrej Plenković, Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 435

Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should **include a rule that persons found guilty** of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States **may not run for office in the next two terms of the European**

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should **incorporate a chapter devoted to establishing a code of conduct for parties and election coalitions standing in European elections that would include the crimes** of corruption against

Parliament;

the EU's financial interests or within Member States **as grounds for ineligibility in at least the two terms following conviction; believes that it should also lay down measures to suspend elected representatives against whom legal proceedings are opened for corruption until the proceedings have been completed;**

Or. es

Amendment 436
Rainer Wieland, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons **found guilty** of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States **may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament;**

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that **nominations of candidates within parties must be carried out in secret, and with a proper say for the members, and that persons convicted by a final judgment** of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States **will forfeit the right to stand for election for a period commensurate with the seriousness of the offence;**

Or. de

Amendment 437
Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule **that persons found guilty of corruption against**

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule **limiting the possibility of running** for office **for**

the *EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament*;

persons convicted of corruption against the EU's financial interests;

Or. fr

Amendment 438

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, David Borrelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States *may not run for office in the next two terms* of the European Parliament;

Amendment

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty, *by a Court of last resort*, of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States *should not run for office* of the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 439

Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Believes that the ongoing review of EU election law *should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms* of the European Parliament;

Amendment

45. Believes that *in* the ongoing review of EU election law, *having regard to Council Directive 93/109/EC of 6 December 1993 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, the EU should encourage the adoption of common rules whereby persons would be temporarily stripped of the right to stand for election*

to the European Parliament if they had been convicted in a Member State of a criminal offence of corruption against the EU's financial interests;

Or. de

Amendment 440

Jo Leinen, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Claudia Tapardel, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Believes that *the ongoing review of EU election law should include a rule that persons found guilty of corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States may not run for office in the next two terms of the European Parliament;*

Amendment

45. "Believes that *political parties are best placed to contribute to the fight against corruption and should therefore play a stronger role on this issue by excluding persons found guilty of high-level corruption against the EU's financial interests or within Member States from electoral lists for European elections*";

Or. en

Amendment 441

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Believes that persons or companies led or owned by such persons who are found guilty of corruption in the EU should, for at least three years, not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Amendment

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 442
Rainer Wieland, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Believes that persons or companies led *or owned* by *such* persons who *are found guilty* of corruption *in the EU* should, for at least three years, not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Amendment

46. Believes that persons *convicted by a final judgment of corruption in the EU* or companies led by persons who *committed acts of corruption for the benefit of their company and have been convicted by a final judgment on those grounds* should, for at least three years, not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Or. de

Amendment 443
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Believes that persons or companies led or owned by such persons who are found guilty of corruption in the EU should, for at least three years, *not be allowed to* enter into procurement contracts with the European Union *or be allowed to* profit from EU funds;

Amendment

46. Believes that persons or companies led or owned by such persons who are found guilty of corruption in the EU should, for at least three years, *be banned effectively from entering* into procurement contracts with the European Union *and from profiting* from EU funds; *calls on the Commission to revise its ineffective debarment system; companies excluded from tendering for EU funds by the Commission should be publicly listed by default to better protect EU financial interest and allow scrutiny by the wider public;*

Or. en

Amendment 444

Marc Joulaud

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Believes that persons or companies ***led or owned by such persons*** who are ***found guilty of corruption*** in the EU should, for at least three years, not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Amendment

46. Believes that persons or companies ***in which such persons exercise effective control*** who are ***convicted of corruption or misappropriation of public funds*** in the EU should, for at least three years, not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Or. fr

Amendment 445

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, David Borrelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Believes that persons or companies led or owned by such persons who are found guilty ***of corruption in the EU should, for at least three years,*** not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Amendment

46. Believes that persons or companies led or owned by such persons who are found guilty, ***by a Court of last resort, of corruption in the EU should*** not be allowed to enter into procurement contracts with the European Union or be allowed to profit from EU funds;

Or. en

Amendment 446

Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46a. Proposes the launching of a

European anti-corruption code, a transparent system of indicators regarding corruption levels in the Member States and progress made in eradicating corruption as well as an annual comparative report on the extent to which this major problem has taken hold at European level;

Or. es

Amendment 447

Dennis de Jong, Ruža Tomašić, Ana Gomes, Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 a. Calls upon the Commission to examine in detail why cases of suspected fraud which OLAF brought to the attention of Member States, did not lead to convictions by national authorities and how the quality of OLAF can be strengthened in order to effectively combat offences against the Union's financial interests;

Or. en

Amendment 448

Ingeborg Gräßle

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46a. New heading: Immunity for EU staff in non-EU countries only

Or. de

Amendment 449
Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 a. Will command a study of a mechanism to protect Accredited Parliamentary Assistants in case they become "whistle-blowers" when there is enough and solid evidence of corruption on the part of his MEP; this mechanism should bear in mind the special nature of the work of an Assistant and create a safe method of communicating with the relevant posts of the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 450
Ingeborg Gräßle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46b. Considers the immunity of EU staff from criminal proceedings in Member States, which dates back 64 years, to be a privilege that has long been obsolete; calls for this privilege under the Protocol to the Treaty to be confined to EU staff in countries outside the EU;

Or. de

Amendment 451
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 a. Considers a European Prosecutor a key element to protect the financial interest of the European Union; calls on the Council to support an agreement for the introduction of a European Prosecutor;

Or. en

Amendment 452
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 b. Welcomes the establishment of a European Criminal Records Information System to allow for the exchange of information on crimes, including economic ones, to be exchanged between Member States and the European Union institutions ; calls for the Council to agree to the explicit right of European institutions to check those applying for procurement contracts if they or their companies have been convicted for corruption; welcomes directive 2012/17/EU for a better network of national registers of Member states' trade and companies register and the Commission's readiness to implement the directive before mid 2017 to allow for a better exchange of judgements against those leading a company;

Or. en

Amendment 453
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 c. Calls upon the European Commission to include a chapter on the EU Institutions in its second EU Anti-Corruption report to be published later in 2016;

Or. en

Amendment 454
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 d. Notes that since becoming an approved member of the United Nations Convention against Corruption on 12 November 2008, the European Union has not participated in the review mechanism foreseen under the Convention, nor has it taken the first step of completing a self-assessment of how it is implementing its obligations under the Convention; calls on the European Union to fulfil its obligations under the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) by completing a self-assessment of how it is implementing its obligations under the Convention and participating in the peer review mechanism;

(based on input of Transparency International)

Or. en

Amendment 455
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 e. Recalls its decision of 25 March 2014 on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law 2012/0193(COD) and calls for rapid decision in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 456
Rainer Wieland, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47. Calls on the Commission to draw up a **framework** regulation relating to all EU agencies, under which Parliament will be granted codecision powers in the election or dismissal of directors of such agencies and a direct right to question and hear them;

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Or. de

Amendment 457
Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47. Calls on the Commission to draw up a framework regulation relating to all EU agencies, under which Parliament will be granted codecision powers in the **election** or dismissal of directors of such agencies

47. Calls on the Commission to draw up a framework regulation relating to all EU agencies, under which Parliament will be granted codecision powers in the **appointment** or dismissal of directors of

and a direct right to question and hear them;

such agencies and a direct right to question and hear them;

Or. en

Amendment 458

Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 47 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47 a. Notes that at present experts from a number of agencies, including the European Food Safety Authority, are not paid; demands all experts in regulatory agencies must be paid for their work so as to enable their independence from the sector they regulate;

(based on input by Corporate Europe Observatory (CEO))

Or. en

Amendment 459

Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 47 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47 b. Calls on EFSA, EMA and ECHA to urgently revise their independence policies so as to explicitly guarantee their strict independence from the economic sectors they are regulating and avoid conflicts of interest among their staff and experts;

(based on input of ALTER-EU)

Or. en

Amendment 460
Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47a. Calls for the candidate nominated for the Presidency of the European Central Bank to appear before the corresponding committees and undergo an evaluation process;

Or. es

Amendment 461
Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47b. Suggests that it should be possible, as part of the accountability process, for the European Parliament to table a motion of censure against a Commissioner in connection with management activities for which that Commissioner is accountable;

Or. es

Amendment 462
Andrej Plenković, György Schöpflin, Tomáš Zdechovský, Paulo Rangel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48. Supports national parliaments inviting Commissioners in order to question them; ***deleted***

Amendment 463

Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

48. Supports national parliaments inviting Commissioners in order to *question them*;

Amendment

48. Supports national parliaments inviting Commissioners in order to *facilitate dialogue*;

Or. en

Amendment 464

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

48. Supports national parliaments inviting Commissioners *in order to question them*;

Amendment

48. Supports national parliaments inviting Commissioners;

Or. en

Amendment 465

Sven Giegold

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 48 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48 a. Recommends that the European Commission joins the Open Government Partnership and initiates in this framework of peer-learning a comprehensive assessment of the transparency, accountability and integrity of the EU Institutions to be published

before the end of 2017, together with proposals for reform;

(based on input by Transparency International)

Or. en

Amendment 466

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo, Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 48 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48a. 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