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e-Democracy in the European Union: potential and challenges
(2016/2008(INI))

Amendment 1
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the Treaty on European Union, in particular articles 2, 3, 6, 9, 10 and 11, and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, in particular articles 8-16, 18-20 and 24,*

Or. en

Amendment 2
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the Charter of fundamental rights of the European Union, to the European Convention on Human Rights and to the European Social Charter,*

Or. en

Amendment 3
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Citation 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the 2014 United Nations E-Government Development Index (EGDI);*

Amendment 4
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the two STOA studies entitled 'E-public, e-participation and e-voting in Europe - prospects and challenges: final report', November 2011 and 'Technology options and systems to strengthen participatory and direct democracy', which will be published in 2017,*

Or. en

Amendment 5
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the work on e-democracy undertaken by the Conference of European Regional Legislative Assemblies (CALRE) using the United Nations cooperation network IT4all*

Or. es

Amendment 6
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the report on ‘Human rights and technology: the impact of intrusion and surveillance systems on human rights in third countries’ (2014/2232(INI));*

Or. es

Amendment 7

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Citation 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the Protocol (No 1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) on the role of National Parliaments in the European Union,*

Or. el

Amendment 8

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Citation 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to Protocol (No 2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) on the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality,*

Or. el

Amendment 9
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. ***whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately;*** whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. hu

Amendment 10
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, ***political and social*** fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics ***has become increasingly strained,*** as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the ***financial and*** economic fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, ***at a time when both the Union and the Member States are confronted with global challenges such as climate change, the issue of migration and the problem of security,*** citizens' relationship with politics ***is being put to the test,*** as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and

accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. nl

Amendment 11

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as ***the public feels that it is*** not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the ***good*** functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as ***citizens feel that are not represented adequately and that the political elites are distant, self-referential, and have become incapable to properly address their needs and solve their problems***; whereas the engagement and ***direct active*** involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole,

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole,

citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, *as the public feels that it is not represented adequately*; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, *due to the growing public disaffection with politics*; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems; *whereas there is a clear need to enhance the democratic linkage between citizens and political institutions*;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the *recent* crises in the economic, political and social fields that *have* severely *affected* individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the *public* feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the *current* crises in the economic, political, *cultural* and social fields that *are* severely *affecting* individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics *and more generally political, intellectual and media elites* has become increasingly strained, as the *people* feels that it is not represented *nor ruled* adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life, ***in addition to transparency and information***, are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. it

Amendment 15

David McAllister

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public ***feels that it is not represented adequately***; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as ***sections of the public are turning away from the political decision-making processes***; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. de

Amendment 16

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of ***both national and EU representational systems***;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of ***each level of the multi-level governance structure of the EU***;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the ***good*** functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises ***and deadlocks*** in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public feels that it is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both

representational systems;

national and EU representational systems;

Or. en

Amendment 18

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public *feels that it* is not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Amendment

A. whereas following the recent crises in the economic, political and social fields that have severely affected individual Member States and the Union as a whole, citizens' relationship with politics has become increasingly strained, as the public is *clearly* not represented adequately; whereas the engagement and involvement of citizens and civil society in democratic life are essential for the good functioning of democracy and for the legitimacy and accountability of both national and EU representational systems;

Or. el

Amendment 19

Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas in recent decades our society has changed extremely quickly and citizens feel the need to express their views more frequently and directly concerning the problems which determine the future of our society, and where political and policy-making institutions are therefore well advised to invest in democratic innovation;

Amendment

Amendment 20

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the results of the last Eurobarometer^{1a} poll show that only 33% of EU citizens trust the EU, 55% feel that their voice does not count in the EU and barely 50% are optimistic about the future of the EU;

^{1a} Standard Eurobarometer 85 – Spring 2016 "Public opinion in the European Union, First results".

Or. en

Amendment 21

Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas 21st-century European citizens do not find it sufficient to be permitted to express their opinions concerning the policies, decisions and leadership of the Union and the Member States only in elections to the European Parliament or national elections;

Or. hu

Amendment 22
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. *whereas the voters' turnout in the European elections is steadily decreasing since 1979 and in the 2014 elections dropped to 42,54%;*

Or. en

Amendment 23
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence ***and interest in*** the European project ***by*** improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' ***trust and*** confidence ***as well as to stimulate their ability to think critically about*** the European project, ***with a view to recover their interest in it, by providing balanced information and knowledge about both the EU's current reality and about its history,*** improving ***active*** participation and ***full*** transparency in ***all*** decision-making ***processes,*** buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open, ***transparent and accountable*** and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice ***and chances to participate*** in them;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, ***making political parties more open and reforming electoral*** systems to give the public more voice in them;

Amendment

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project; ***whereas e-democracy tools can help foster more active citizenship*** by improving participation and transparency in decision-making ***and*** buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms; ***whereas e-democracy might be a lever to reform democratic*** systems to give the public more voice in them;

Or. en

Amendment 25

Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

Amendment

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms ***and knowledge of the operation of the institutions***, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

Or. it

Amendment 26

Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

Amendment

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open, ***rendering the terminology of the Union more comprehensible*** and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

Or. hu

Amendment 27

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving ***participation*** and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the ***public*** more voice in them;

Amendment

B. whereas it is crucial to regain citizens' confidence and interest in the European project by improving ***effective control, accountability*** and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the ***people*** more voice in them;

Or. en

Amendment 28

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas it is ***crucial*** to regain

Amendment

B. whereas it is ***important*** to regain

citizens' *confidence and* interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

citizens' interest in the European project by improving participation and transparency in decision-making, buttressing democratic oversight mechanisms, making political parties more open and reforming electoral systems to give the public more voice in them;

Or. el

Amendment 29
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas in order to regain legitimacy and rebuild the trust of the European citizens, the EU should first of all redefine its priorities and objectives by giving primacy to the promotion of civil and social rights as enshrined in the Treaties and the EU Charter of fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country are faced with difficulties and administrative barriers hindering the exercise of their voting rights.

Or. es

Amendment 31
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Recital B b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bb. *whereas there have been large-scale cyber-attacks on certain participatory processes, hindering citizen involvement in public affairs and undermining the rights to information and participation in EU political debate.*

Or. es

Amendment 32
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Recital B c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bc. *whereas security and secrecy when casting and recording votes should be ensured in e-voting processes.*

Or. es

Amendment 33
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. *whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new **technological age, the progress of** which must be regarded as a **public** good that, **if***

C. *whereas democracy should **evolve and** adapt to the changes **and opportunities** associated with the new **technologies and ICT tools**, which must be regarded as a*

properly *used*, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

common good that, *where* properly *implemented and accompanied with an adequate level of information and digital literacy*, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy, *whilst favouring the use of direct democracy mechanisms*;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas *democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which* must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Amendment

C. whereas *institutions should use make us of the interaction possibilities offered by new information and communication technologies to improve democratic systems. Progress in, and the secure use – under equal conditions – of these tools* must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Or. es

Amendment 35
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Amendment

C. whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

whereas, with that aim in view, every person should have the opportunity to be trained in the use of new technologies;

Or. fr

Amendment 36
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Amendment

C. whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy *which meets the demands of 21st century citizens better;*

Or. hu

Amendment 37
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy should adapt to the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Amendment

C. whereas democracy should adapt to, *and use positively*, the changes associated with the new technological age, the progress of which must be regarded as a public good that, if properly used, could help to create a more transparent and participatory democracy;

Or. it

Amendment 38
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas further progress on cyber security and data protection are essential if we wish to make greater use of new technologies in institutional and political life and thereby enhance citizen participation in decision-making.

Or. es

Amendment 39
Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the internet is an area for interaction which has a direct impact on people's reality, rights and lives and which, as such, should be regulated;

Or. it

Amendment 40
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire *creative* solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions *and*

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire *and effectively provide new* solutions for *fostering citizens' political participation*

increase levels of trust in the democratic system;

and engagement, whilst reducing public discontent with political institutions, *as well as helping to* increase levels of trust, *transparency and accountability* in the democratic system;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust in the democratic system;

Amendment

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust in the democratic system; *whereas the new communication tools help to increase participatory democracy and transparency;*

Or. hu

Amendment 42
Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust in the democratic system;

Amendment

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public *apathy and* discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust in the democratic system *therefore increasing the participation of European citizens in the decision-making process;*

Amendment 43
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust in the democratic system;

Amendment

D. whereas a wave of new digital communication tools and open and collaborative platforms could inspire creative solutions for reducing public discontent with political institutions and increase levels of trust ***and participation*** in the democratic system;

Or. it

Amendment 44
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas in his most recent state of the Union address, President Juncker presented a package of measures to increase use of electronic communications, including WiFi4EU and the roll-out of 5G in Europe.

Or. es

Amendment 45
Kaja Kallas, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas open government data has the potential to foster economic growth, increase public sector efficiencies and improve transparency and accountability of European and national institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 46

Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas access, under equal conditions, to a neutral network is a prerequisite for ensuring the effectiveness of fundamental human rights;

Or. it

Amendment 47

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

E. whereas e-democracy, combined with substantial reforms of the EU policies aimed at tackling the major challenges that are affecting Union citizens, such as increased inequalities, poverty and social exclusion, high-rate unemployment, work precariousness, unchanged debt unsustainability, ineffective social protection and dismantlement of solidarity among the

Member States on migration and asylum policies, could represent a valuable tool to reduce public disaffection with traditional politics and to enhance grassroots support for the EU project;

Or. en

Amendment 48

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of *providing a solution to* public disaffection with traditional politics, *and* could help *promote* grassroots support for *EU policies*;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of *stimulating citizens' initiatives, initiating a widespread cultural change, and, where properly designed and used, contributing to mitigate growing* public disaffection with traditional politics. *Furthermore, it* could help *to better understand our Union and its policies, therefore favouring* grassroots support for *the European project as well as reducing the so-called European 'democratic deficit'*;

Or. en

Amendment 49

Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote

grassroots support for EU policies;

grassroots support for EU policies *and ensure that the European Union institutions tackle the issues that concern citizens most*;

Or. hu

Amendment 50
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies *by making information about them more readily available and thus making it easier for people to understand them*;

Or. fr

Amendment 51
Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote *communication, dialogue and* grassroots support for EU policies;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for *and knowledge of* EU policies;

Or. it

Amendment 53
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could *represent an alternative form of* engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote *grassroots support* for EU policies;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could *facilitate the development of complementary forms* of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote *awareness of and interest in* EU policies;

Or. es

Amendment 54
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an **alternative** form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU **policies**;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an **complementary** form of engagement capable of providing a solution to public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU **reforms**;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of **providing a solution to** public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

Amendment

E. whereas e-democracy could represent an alternative form of engagement capable of **mitigating** public disaffection with traditional politics, and could help promote grassroots support for EU policies;

Or. en

Amendment 56

Mercedes Bresso, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Claudia Țapardel

Motion for a resolution

Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ea. whereas the new ways of participation into a virtual public space is inseparable to the respect of the rights and obligations linked to participation in public space, which include i.e. procedural rights against defamation and calumny;

Amendment

Amendment 57
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas it is indispensable, in order to guarantee the web to be a valid and effective democratic tool, to eradicate the digital divide and to provide citizens with adequate media literacy and digital skills;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas information and communication technology (ICT) systems are at the heart of modern government processes but efforts are still needed to improve delivery of e-government services;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by **adding elements of citizens' enablement** through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy **and a supplement to it** by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement **and reinforce** democratic processes by **facilitating informative involvement, participation in influencing policy-making and direct involvement of citizens** through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Or. nl

Amendment 60
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting; **welcomes the fact that, by means of the new information and communication tools, more and more citizens can be involved in democratic processes;**

Or. hu

Amendment 61
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and *e-voting*;

Amendment

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, ***the transparency of the institutions***, e-government, e-governance, e-participation, ***e-voting*** and ***quality control for public spending***;

Or. it

Amendment 62
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. ***Welcomes*** e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. ***Underlines the potential benefits of*** e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which *is* defined as the support and enhancement of *traditional* democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' *enablement* through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which *can be* defined as the support and enhancement of democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement *and improve* democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' *empowerment* through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, *e-deliberation*, e-participation and e-voting;

Or. en

Amendment 64
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and *is meant to* complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. Welcomes *the potential advantages of* e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of traditional democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and *which can* complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' enablement through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Or. de

Amendment 65
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of **traditional** democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' **enablement** through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Amendment

1. Welcomes e-democracy, which is defined as the support and enhancement of **representative** democracy by means of information and communication technology (ICT), and is meant to complement democratic processes by adding elements of citizens' **empowerment** through different online activities that include, amongst others, e-government, e-governance, e-participation and e-voting;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Emphasises that Council of Europe Recommendation CM/Rec(2009)1 calls on member states to ensure that e-democracy 'promotes, ensures and enhances transparency, accountability, responsiveness, engagement, deliberation, inclusiveness, accessibility, participation, subsidiarity and social cohesion';

Amendment

2. Emphasises that Council of Europe Recommendation CM/Rec(2009)1 calls on Member States to ensure that e-democracy 'promotes, ensures and enhances transparency, accountability, responsiveness, engagement, deliberation, inclusiveness, accessibility, participation, subsidiarity and social cohesion'; **points out that the Recommendation calls on Member States to develop measures that are able to strengthen human rights, democracy and the rule of law;**

Or. it

Amendment 67
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Stresses the need for these possibilities for enhancing democracy by means of technology to be used in a secure environment that is safe from mass surveillance operations and developed on operational and programming platforms which ensure the strongest possible guarantees against any inclination to intrude on the part of the authorities. Failure to comply with this recommendation could discourage use of these tools, in particular among organisations promoting and safeguarding civil rights. It is therefore essential that the guarantees enshrined in European legislation on data protection are implemented in full and extended to these tools for openness and participation.

Or. es

Amendment 68
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy; ***advocates that the interactions by individuals and communities using these types of tool are conducted with the utmost transparency by promoting the development of registers of networking groups and the interests they represent and publishing both the contributions and reasoned answers they provide to the representative institutions***

that should continue to play a leading role in decision-making processes.

Or. es

Amendment 69

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish *an alternative* democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish *a substitutive* democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy *to the detriment of the current democratic habits; reaffirms however the need to revise the democratic framework of the Union by strengthening its reliability, effectiveness, transparency, participatory nature and social character in order to address adequately the current shortcomings and, at the same time, to enable e-democracy to express its full potential;*

Or. en

Amendment 70

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy; *points out that e-democracy alone does not assure political participation, and that a non-digital*

environment to pursue political participation of citizens must also be addressed in a harmonized way with e-democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 71

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, *not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;*

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice *by providing additional means to increase transparency and citizens' participation, including possibilities for cross-border participation, and an opportunity to foster a sense of ownership which contributes to improve trust and, consequently, the legitimacy of our political system;*

Or. en

Amendment 72

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, *to enhance transparency and efficiency of political institutions, and to improve the democratic character of decision-making procedures; and* not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment 73

Mercedes Bresso, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Claudia Țapardel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system, ***distort democracy by using of fallacious technological means (i.e. spamming bots, anonymous profiling, identity appropriation)*** or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 74

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, ***not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;***

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice;

Or. el

Amendment 75

Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, ***especially in the more geographically and socially marginalised areas, and*** not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Or. it

Amendment 76
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to ***promote a suitable democratic culture and*** facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Or. es

Amendment 77
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, ***not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;***

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate ***and reinforce representative*** democratic practice ***as well as to complement it, where possible, with participatory and direct democracy mechanisms;***

Amendment 78

Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate **and enrich** democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Or. nl

Amendment 79

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Amendment

3. Stresses that the purpose of e-democracy is to facilitate **and supplement** democratic practice, not to establish an alternative democratic system or to promote a certain type of democracy;

Or. fr

Amendment 80

Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Stresses the need for all digital

interaction processes to be grounded in the principle of institutional openness: the combination of real-time transparency and informed participation. This means that processes of interaction must be aligned with institutional procedures, that basic information on the topics for discussion must be included in the electronic files available to those interested in participating and that the involvement of the groups most affected by the matters under discussion should be encouraged.

Or. es

Amendment 81

Mercedes Bresso, Claudia Țapardel, Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Recalls that the great opportunities opened by the e-democracy could be missed if it doesn't cope with the necessity of respecting the very same legal standards of non-virtual participation;

Or. en

Amendment 82

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Highlights and encourages the use of e-participation as a key characteristic of e-democracy, encompassing three forms of interaction between governments and citizens, mainly e-information, e-

4. Highlights and encourages the use of e-participation as a key characteristic of e-democracy, encompassing three forms of interaction between governments and citizens, mainly e-information, e-

consultation and e-decision-making;
acknowledges that many national, regional
and local e-participation cases can be taken
as good examples of how ICT can be used
in participatory democracy;

consultation and e-decision-making;
acknowledges that many national, regional
and local e-participation cases can be taken
as good examples of how ICT can be used
in participatory democracy; ***encourages
Members States to develop further these
practices at national and local level;***

Or. en

Amendment 83
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Highlights and encourages the use
of e-participation as a key characteristic of
e-democracy, encompassing three forms of
interaction between governments ***and***
citizens, mainly e-information, e-
consultation and e-decision-making;
acknowledges that many national, regional
and local e-participation cases can be taken
as good examples of how ICT can be used
in participatory democracy;

Amendment

4. Highlights and encourages the use
of e-participation as a key characteristic of
e-democracy, encompassing three forms of
interaction between ***EU institutions and***
governments ***on one hand***, citizens ***on the
other hand***, mainly e-information, e-
consultation and e-decision-making;
acknowledges that many national, regional
and local e-participation cases can be taken
as good examples of how ICT can be used
in participatory democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Highlights and encourages the use
of e-participation as ***a key characteristic*** of
e-democracy, encompassing three forms of
interaction between governments and
citizens, mainly e-information, e-

Amendment

4. Highlights and encourages the use
of e-participation as ***one of the key
characteristics*** of e-democracy,
encompassing three forms of interaction
between governments and citizens, mainly

consultation and e-decision-making; acknowledges that many national, regional and local e-participation cases can be taken as good examples of how ICT can be used in participatory democracy;

e-information, e-consultation and e-decision-making; acknowledges that many national, regional and local e-participation cases, *within Europe*, can be *already* taken as good examples of how ICT can be used in participatory *and direct* democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. *Stresses that ICTs contribute towards the creation of spaces for participation and discussion that, in turn, improve the quality and legitimacy of our democratic systems;*

Or. es

Amendment 86
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. *Stresses the need to engage young people in the political debate and notes that the use of ICT in democratic procedures can be an effective tool for that purpose;*

Or. en

Amendment 87
Max Andersson

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. *Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;*

Amendment

5. *Notes that e-voting is a system that might offer some potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country; stresses nonetheless that there are significant problems with using e-voting in elections and that, if e-voting is going to be used, the secrecy of the vote must be ensured as well as a way to independently verify that the result has not been tampered with; points at the same time the difficulties in ensuring that voters make their own free choice without intimidation and the difficulties in getting the public to trust the result;*

Or. en

Amendment 88
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country; *stresses however the need to address the difficult relation of older citizens with e-democracy and e-voting, bearing in mind their growing weight in EU's demographic structure; stresses*

furthermore that there are currently unresolved IT-security issues for e-voting and underlines, in particular, the principle that every citizen should be able to verify the counting and tabulating of votes;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Josep-Maria Terricabras, Pascal Durand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country; *recalls at the same time that e-voting needs to be implemented in compliance with the same legal principles of any democratic electoral process, namely, universal, equal, free, secret and direct suffrage and that e-voting needs to be implemented with measures sufficient to ensure the reliability of the result and data protection;*

Or. en

Amendment 90
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the *importance of e-voting as a* system offering many potential

Amendment

5. Points to the *opportunity of remote internet voting as a an additional* system

advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country, ***provided that measures are taken to prevent any possible fraud in the use of remote internet voting; recalls that, when putting in place remote internet voting, Member States should respect the principles of equality of votes, secrecy of the vote and access to vote;***

Or. en

Amendment 91
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country; ***calls on Member States in this regard to cooperate in exchanging best practice regarding e-voting systems;***

Or. it

Amendment 92
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people,

Amendment

5. ***Notes that electronic voting does not increase voter turnout, nevertheless,*** points to the importance of e-voting as a

people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

system offering many potential advantages. in particular for young **people, home-bound** people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member state of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Or. en

Amendment 93
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country, ***provided that the highest possible standards of data protection are ensured;***

Or. de

Amendment 94
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment

5. Points to the importance of e-voting as a system ***able to widen citizens' inclusion, ease democratic participation and*** offering many potential advantages, in particular for young people, people with reduced mobility and people living or working in a Member State of which they are not a citizen or in a third country;

Amendment 95
Max Andersson

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 96
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches *in order to address in priority issues of various deficiencies and fundamental security vulnerabilities that undermine voting system honesty and confidence, identified by numerous experts assessments for more than ten years, like the Security*

Amendment 97
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches; ***calls for remote digital voting to become more widespread and to harness the benefits of new technologies in current polling-booth voting processes with a view to smoothing the transition from traditional to digital systems and eliminating the digital divide among the electorate.***

Amendment 98
Barbara Spinelli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first *successful* European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 *as a positive example*, but maintains

Amendment

6. Recalls the first European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across

that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches, *the implications that e-voting might have on basic human rights such as, for instance, the right to privacy and to the protection of personal data and, especially, the still unresolved IT-security issues for e-voting which may undermine the public trust in the democratic elections;*

Or. en

Amendment 99

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, *but* maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example *to be taken as reference, and therefore* maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches *and decide accordingly; considering in particular the issues related with cybersecurity, in parallel with the standard security needs presented by all conventional participatory systems;*

Or. en

Amendment 100

Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches; ***is convinced that the European Union, as the biggest and most developed economy in the world, must be a trend-setter in adopting innovative solutions such as e-voting in European elections;***

Or. hu

Amendment 101
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 ***as a positive example***, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches; ***stresses that the existence of secure, high speed internet connections and secure electronic identity infrastructure are important prerequisites for the success of remote internet voting;***

Or. en

Amendment 102
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, **but** maintains that ***if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess*** the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example; maintains, ***however, that due account must be taken of*** the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Or. fr

Amendment 103
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess ***whether the actual participation of the whole population can be guaranteed, and*** the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Or. it

Amendment 104
Josep-Maria Terricabras, Pascal Durand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the *costs*, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the benefits and ***challenges to develop e-voting at EU level, as well as the*** implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Or. en

Amendment 105
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting ***across Europe*** is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of ***possible*** e-voting ***in other Member States*** is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Or. de

Amendment 106
Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens, Kaja Kallas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. **Recalls** the first successful European **example of online voting** in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 **as a positive example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;**

Amendment

6. **Highlights the positive example of** the first successful European **online voting which took place** in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005, **calls on other Member States to be ambitious in the creation of secure online voting systems; believes that significant advances could be made through the sharing of best-practice and research;**

Or. en

Amendment 107

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as **a positive** example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Amendment

6. Recalls the first successful European example of online voting in Estonia in its legally binding elections in 2005 as **an** example, but maintains that if the take-up of e-voting across Europe is to be successful, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches;

Or. el

Amendment 108

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens, Kaja Kallas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

6a. Underlines that in order for the take-up of e-voting across Europe to be

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wide-spread, it will be necessary to assess the costs, benefits and implications of different or divergent technological approaches, to build on existing interoperable solutions, and to provide citizens with guarantees about the security of the e-voting system; underlines that e-voting is complementary to and does not replace the system of ballot boxes and ballot papers;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Points out the challenge of responding to the citizens' concerns regarding use of online democracy tools; takes the view that addressing security concerns and guaranteeing privacy are of paramount importance for building trust of the citizens in the emerging digital political arena;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial

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interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Or. hu

Amendment 111
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT; ***takes the view that the best guarantee against this risk is transparency concerning interactions on digital participation platforms, the interests represented by the agents interacting and information on campaigns which are potentially being promoted, directly or indirectly, on media and social networks of all kinds as well as the size of their outreach and their objectives and target audience.***

Or. es

Amendment 112
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and

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7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and

rational deliberation, *but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;*

rational deliberation *and that the use of ICT in democratic processes must also comply with all transparency standards so to ensure transparency in the participation process itself at all political levels and at all stages of deliberation and the decision-making process;*

Or. en

Amendment 113
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT *in order to propagate extremist rhetoric for malicious purposes;*

Or. fr

Amendment 114
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests, which, *as it may be the case for offline channels, could* abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment 115

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate *on every level of EU society, proper* scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Or. en

Amendment 116

Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair *and full participation* and rational deliberation, but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;

Or. it

Amendment 117

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation, ***but that this could be overshadowed by specific sectorial interests which abuse the influence of ICT;***

Amendment

7. Stresses that democratic processes require extensive debate, scrutiny and reflection which are conducive to fair and rational deliberation; ***warns that there is a risk of distortion and manipulation of the outcome of deliberations of on-line discussion tools;***

Or. en

Amendment 118

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

7a. Notes that for a functioning democracy, citizens' trust on institutions and democratic processes are a fundamental dimension; stresses therefore that the introduction of e-democracy tools needs to be accompanied by proper communication and education strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 119

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

7a. Highlights that in order to fully grasp the opportunities of e-democracy and ICT tools and avoid any kind of abuse a legal enabling, and publicly

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regulated, environment is necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 120

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7b. Stresses the importance of embedding e-participation in the political system in order to incorporate citizens' contributions in the decision-making process and ensure a follow-up; notes that a lack of responsiveness from decision-makers leads to disappointment and distrust;

Or. en

Amendment 121

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7c. Points out that in a functional democracy, net neutrality is important for the free access to online information and technological neutrality is one of the cornerstone of legislation meant to design and implement e-democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

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7d. Emphasises that the use of ICT tools should be complementary to other channels of communication with public institutions with the aim to avoid any kind of discrimination on the grounds of digital skills or lack of resources and infrastructures;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 2

Motion for a resolution

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Proposals

Proposals ***on improving the democratic system by means of ICT***

Or. es

Amendment 124
Barbara Spinelli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

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7a. Is convinced that e-democracy, as an experience that complements the concept of representative democracy, should rely on the same set of well-defined standards, rules and principles that characterise the latter; in this regard,

calls on the EU institutions to propose the drafting of an European Declaration of internet rights, taking into account the best practices developed in the Member States, especially the Italian Declaration of Internet Rights; such Declaration could become the necessary reference point, together with the other relevant European and International human rights instruments, for the regulatory development of the e-democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 125
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

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7b. Considers that the participation to democratic processes is founded, first of all, on the effective and non-discriminatory access to information and knowledge; calls therefore on the EU and the Member States to develop adequate policies to attain the universal access to the internet and to recognise internet access as a fundamental right; in addition, calls on the EU to promote common policies intended to bridge the digital divide within and among the Member States along all its lines (wealth, gender, age, geographical and social conditions);

Or. en

Amendment 126
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 c (new)

7c. Calls moreover on the EU and the Member States to refrain from adopting unnecessary measures aimed at arbitrarily restricting access to internet and the exercise of basic human rights, such as disproportionate censorship measures or criminalization of legitimate expression of criticism and dissent;

Or. en

Amendment 127

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences **and** digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences, **digital literacy, and equal** digital access for all EU citizens in order to **fully** bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy **and to ensure the democratic inclusion of all EU citizens regardless of their income, social and personal condition, geographical location and avoiding any kind of discrimination as provided for in Article 21 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU**; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. en

Amendment 128
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools; ***calls also on the EU and the Member States to promote programmes and policies aimed at developing a critical and conscious appreciation of the use of ICT such as, for instance, awareness raising campaigns concerning the rights and possible risks in the digital sphere;***

Or. en

Amendment 129
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on ***the*** Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of

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8. ***Points out at significant digital divide between countries in terms of digital infrastructure and citizens experience with e-participation,*** calls on Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (E-inclusion), for the

networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula, *to foresee digital training programmes for elderly people*, and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. en

Amendment 130

Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools; *recommends that e-training also be provided to the elderly, in order to bridge the digital divide in all its forms;*

Or. it

Amendment 131

Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion) **and put an end to digital illiteracy**, for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills **and touch-typing** into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. hu

Amendment 132
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula **and** supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Amendment

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula **and to develop training courses aimed at people of all ages**; supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. fr

Amendment 133

Sylvie Goulard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens, Kaja Kallas

Motion for a resolution

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens, ***irrespective of their age***, in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and ***life-long learning programmes***, supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. en

Amendment 134

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Amendment

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for ***boosting the democratic empowerment of citizens and*** improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Amendment 135**Mercedes Bresso, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Claudia Țapardel****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 8***Motion for a resolution*

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens *(especially elder or citizens from remote regions)* in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. en

Amendment 136**Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 8***Motion for a resolution*

8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital *skills into school curricula and supports the development of networks with universities and*

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8. Calls on the Member States and the EU to provide educational and technical means for improving ICT competences and digital access for all EU citizens in order to bridge the digital divide (e-inclusion), for the ultimate benefit of democracy; encourages the Member States to integrate the acquisition of digital *and design skills for public agents as a necessary condition to develop, simplify and facilitate the*

educational institutions to promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

accessibility to administrative services online, and promote research on and implementation of new participation tools;

Or. en

Amendment 137
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Proposes that further progress be made in evaluating use of new technology to improve democracy in EU administrations by incorporating, as indicators, targets measuring: the quality of online services; use of services in both quantitative and qualitative terms; the human capital required for intensive application of this new technology in improving e-administration in general and democracy in particular, and the development of infrastructure needed to deploy digital services;

Or. es

Amendment 138
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Considers it crucial that the EU and the Member States develop and implement actions and policies able to provide EU citizens with an adequate media and digital literacy education as well as creative thinking skills, stimulate peer learning, critical thinking, and

guarantee access to reliable sources of independent information, in order to empower them to make informed decisions and positively contribute to democratic processes;

Or. en

Amendment 139
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Recommends that the European Parliament, as the only directly elected institution of the European Union, take the lead in reinforcing e-democracy; considers it worthwhile, to this end, to develop innovative technological solutions which will make it possible for citizens to communicate meaningfully and share their concerns with their elected representatives;

Or. hu

Amendment 140
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8b. Encourages the simplification of institutional language and procedures and the organisation of multimedia content to explain the keys to the main decision-making processes in order to promote understanding and participation; stresses the necessity of disseminating this gateway to e-participation through

segmented proactive tools that permit access to all the documents within parliamentary files;

Or. es

Amendment 141
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8c. Emphasises the importance of making the results of digital interaction visible and using them as tools that train and incentivise in order to encourage participation by citizens;

Or. es

Amendment 142
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that *real* equality between citizens is guaranteed; ***to this end, recalls the objective to ensure a high-quality level of coverage of European population and territory at speeds of at least 30 Mb/s and recommends that education and research institutions, such as public libraries and schools, be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be equally accessible to all citizens, especially the most***

vulnerable categories, such as people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 143

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to **deliver** affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and **to ensure** that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

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9. Urges the Member States and the EU to **give citizens the possibility to fully access the digital environment to be able to actively participate in politics, as is their right; this will be enhanced by delivering** affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and **ensuring** that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 144

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions **and** rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public

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9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions, rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; **recommends to the Commission to foresee**

libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

resources for projects aimed at improving digital infrastructures in the realm of social and solidarity economy;
recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 145
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Amendment

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed, *paying particular attention to those citizens who are most vulnerable and to safe and secure use of technology;* recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Or. es

Amendment 146
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in

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9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in

peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens; ***points out the need to devote adequate financial resources to these goals;***

Or. en

Amendment 147
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that ***public*** libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

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9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that libraries and schools ***and buildings in which public services are provided*** be appropriately resourced and that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Or. fr

Amendment 148
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in

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9. Urges the Member States and the EU to deliver affordable and high-speed digital infrastructure, particularly in

peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that *public libraries and schools be appropriately resourced and that* IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

peripheral regions and rural and economically less developed areas, and to ensure that equality between citizens is guaranteed; recommends that IT infrastructure be accessible to all citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 149
Barbara Spinelli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls on the Commission to swiftly present a proposal for a concrete European Social Pillar aimed at improving living and working conditions, quality employment, fair wages, equal treatment, social dialogue, quality public services and effective social protection, in line with the relevant ILO Conventions, while respecting the prerogative of the Member States to introduce or retain more favourable provisions in this field, so as to promote the conditions not only for the full participation in the traditional democratic process but also for an easier access to ICT and, consequently, to e-democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. *Calls on the Member States and EU institutions to promote the use of open source and open standards to ensure interoperability and transparency, and further collaborative development and, considers that in a functioning e-democracy citizens should not have to buy software from specific vendors in order to be able to communicate with public institutions;*

Or. en

Amendment 151
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

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10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making; ***calls in this connection for all the Commission's communication and relations-with-citizens tools, and in particular the Europe Direct portal, to be tailored more closely to the challenges of e-democracy;***

Or. it

Amendment 152
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Amendment

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making ; ***commits to make all the existing tools of legislative follow-up more accessible, understandable, educational and interactive, invites the Commission to do the same on its own website;***

Or. en

Amendment 153
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Amendment

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making; ***considers that dissemination of best practices should be promoted, for example by drawing attention to the success of the e-Estonia programme;***

Or. hu

Amendment 154
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote **and support** mechanisms that enable the participation of **the public** and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Amendment

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote, **support and implement** mechanisms **and instruments** that enable the participation of **citizens** and their interaction with governments and EU institutions, **such as crowdsourcing platforms**; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to **independent** information, transparency, **accountability**, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Or. en

Amendment 155
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the **public and their** interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Amendment

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the **civil society and its** interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, active listening and debate for better decision-making;

Or. en

Amendment 156
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency, **active listening and debate for better** decision-making;

Amendment

10. Encourages the Member States and the EU to promote and support mechanisms that enable the participation of the public and their interaction with governments and EU institutions; highlights that ICT should facilitate access to information, transparency **and participation in the** decision-making;

Or. en

Amendment 157

Mercedes Bresso, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Claudia Țapardel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

10a. Calls on the Commission to proposes a reflexion to the Member-States on insuring the rights of participation of citizens on the virtual space, especially related to the certification of their identities through identification mechanisms (i.e. Digital ID) and to the protection of their freedom of speech and rights to prosecute European wide any offense or defamation based on ethnicity, religion, sex or any political opinion;

Or. en

Amendment 158

Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. *Takes the view that the EU should resolutely promote the constitutional inclusion of the right to universal internet access on an equal footing; stresses that the conditions for doing this necessitate action by the Member States at EU level, particularly to guarantee a genuine right of access to the internet and net neutrality;*

Or. it

Amendment 159
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. *Calls on the Member States and the EU to review the content on their official sites which deals with the functioning of democracy, with the aim of providing educational tools which make it easier for young people to visit the sites in question and understand their content and of making the sites accessible to persons with a disability;*

Or. fr

Amendment 160
Francesc Gambús

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. *Calls similarly on Member States to adapt their legislation applicable to*

civic engagement processes, referenda and electoral processes in order to incorporate as soon as possible the option of secure electronic voting, especially for people who are permanently or temporarily registered abroad;

Or. es

Amendment 161
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Encourages the administrations to reflect their commitment to this principle of institutional openness through changes to their strategic design and corporate culture, budgets and organisational change processes that are driven by the goal of improving democracy through use of new technology;

Or. es

Amendment 162
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Calls Member States to integrate electronic vote procedures in their electoral laws in order to ease electoral participation for their citizens living abroad, furthermore that the efforts of local or regional administrations to achieve this objective should not be undermined;

Amendment 163
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Warns that placing available information on the internet is only a first step in facilitating active public participation; advises that organising the information correctly, separating it into segments, arranging it by topic or areas of interest and developing proactive programmes so that both the public and other parties that are especially informed or concerned receive it during the deliberation process all constitute a key factor in promoting services of this kind;

Or. es

Amendment 164
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Calls for an online platform to be created so that members of the public can systematically be consulted before the European legislator takes decisions and thus involved more directly in public life;

Or. fr

Amendment 165
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10c. *Believes that combining the use of ICTs with interaction with traditional means of communication and face-to-face participation systems is equally essential in order to overcome the digital divide and facilitate the spread of these new contact and connection possibilities among members of the public who do not use or are less familiar with new technology and the institutions;*

Or. es

Amendment 166
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10d. *Believes it to be essential that the deployment of these new tools is backed by campaigns promoting the possibilities they offer and the civic values of joint responsibility and participation;*

Or. es

Amendment 167
Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. *Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European*

11. *points to the importance of the European citizens' initiative as a means*

Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system;

of involving the public in the political life of the EU and their direct participation therein, and therefore calls on the Commission to review the way that it operates in order to realise its full potential, in line with the recommendations given by the European Parliament in its resolution of 28 October 2015 (2014/2257(INI)); draws attention therefore to the importance of simplifying and accelerating the bureaucratic requirements relating to this and of making wider use of ICT, such as digital platforms and other applications compatible with mobile devices, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system through the use of identification and authentication services (e-IDAS), which would allow members of the public to receive and exchange more easily information on existing or potential ECIs so that they can actively participate in discussions and/or support the initiatives themselves;

Or. it

Amendment 168

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system;

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system; *regrets, however, that in its follow-up to the*

European Parliament resolution on the European Citizens' Initiative, adopted on 2 February 2016, the Commission stated "that after only three years after its effective entry into application, it is at this point too early to launch a legislative revision of the Regulation" and that from the establishment of the ECI only three initiatives were deemed admissible and no one has received an appropriate follow-up; therefore stresses once more the need to 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 169
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system;

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system; ***calls on the Commission in this respect to open an ad hoc consultation procedure on the review of the citizens' initiative procedure aimed at tailoring this fundamental instrument to meet the challenges of e-democracy;***

Or. it

Amendment 170
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could **improve, in particular**, the **online** signature collection system;

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could **help in complying with the requirements to be met in order to submit a European Citizens' Initiative, such as the signature collection system or the organisation and coordination of the support platforms driven from within the various Member States**;

Or. es

Amendment 171
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system;

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to realise the full potential of the European Citizens' Initiative **by improving the ECI's rules, to make them more flexible and less complex**, through a wider use of ICT, in order to make this important tool more **cost-effective**, user-friendly and widely publicised; believes that the use of new technology could improve, in particular, the online signature collection system;

Or. en

Amendment 172
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Believes that capitalising too on the benefits of new technology in the everyday management of the institutions and especially in front-office services and management of administrative files in accordance with the same principles of transparency and accessibility is fundamental to the use of these participation services being promoted; believes that the use and quality of these tools is a decisive factor in overcoming the digital divide;

Or. es

Amendment 173
Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Notes that since 2012, 56 ECIs have been submitted to the European Commission, 36 were registered, and 20 were rejected; regrets that only three initiatives - 'Right to water', 'One of us', and 'Stop Vivisection' have succeeded in reaching one million signatures; states that because of excessive complexity, poor outcomes, and low certainty of impact active citizens are discouraged from using this instrument of participatory democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Emphasises that several Commission processes, such as online public consultations, e-participation activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to increase public participation and the transparency of the EU institutions and enhance European governance;

Amendment

12. Emphasises that several Commission processes, such as online public consultations, e-participation activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to increase public participation and the transparency of the EU institutions and enhance European governance; ***at the same time, asks the EU to address the deep concerns regarding the lack of transparency that characterises a growing number of EU policy areas such as, for instance, trade negotiations, economic governance of the eurozone and negotiations of readmission agreements with third countries; in this respect asks also to the Council, the Commission and the European Parliament to strongly limit the recourse to Trilogues in the ordinary legislative procedure, while guaranteeing, at the same time, their full transparency by way of the electronic publication of all relevant documents in dedicated and accessible databases;***

Or. en

Amendment 175
Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Emphasises that several Commission processes, such as online public consultations, e-participation

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activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to **increase** public participation **and** the transparency of the EU institutions and enhance European governance;

activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to **encourage** public participation, **increase accountability in these processes** and the transparency of the EU institutions, and enhance European governance; **highlights the need to render public consultation processes effective and accessible to as many people as possible, while keeping technical barriers to the minimum;**

Or. it

Amendment 176
Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Emphasises that several Commission processes, such as online public consultations, e-participation activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to **increase** public participation and **the transparency of the EU institutions and enhance European governance;**

Amendment

12. Emphasises that several Commission processes, such as online public consultations, e-participation activities and impact assessments, could benefit from a wider use of new technologies in order to **stimulate** public participation and **increase accountability of such processes;**

Or. en

Amendment 177
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

12a. Underlines the need for more ample information for citizens on the existing e-participation platforms at EU,

national and local level;

Or. en

Amendment 178
Kaja Kallas, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy; ***calls in particular on the Commission to integrate the use of the D-CENT platform, as a EU funded project providing technological tools for participative democracy, based on security, privacy, and openness, in the consultation processes;***

Or. en

Amendment 179
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy ***and to propose the allocation of corresponding funds in the budget; considers that the reinforcement of European e-democracy will bolster the credibility of the European Union's institutions and the confidence of citizens in the Union;***

Or. hu

Amendment 180
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy; ***recommends furthermore to the Commission to focus on open source solutions that can be rolled out easily across the digital single market;***

Or. en

Amendment 181
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy ***and to develop and implement specific pilot projects in order to promote and improve responsible and active European citizenship schemes;***

Or. en

Amendment 182
Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital

Single Market Strategy;

Single Market Strategy *and to promote the development and funding of new instruments connected with e-citizenship of the European Union;*

Or. es

Amendment 183

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the Digital Single Market Strategy;

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to expand and develop e-participation in the *mid-term review of the* Digital Single Market Strategy *to be launched in 2017;*

Or. en

Amendment 184

Barbara Spinelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key;

Amendment

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key; *in this regard, suggests to the EU and the Member States to explore the potentialities and possible applications of the blockchain technology, which is beginning to prove its reliability in terms of security and certification of identity and transactions, addressing faults in the blockchain system which can deter the*

public from entrusting personal data to this new technology;

Or. en

Amendment 185

Kaja Kallas, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key;

Amendment

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration ***and open data*** should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key; ***Considers that more efforts should be done to implement open data strategies in both European institutions and Member states including the increase and faster release of data into the public domain, better quality of the data, and easy access to data in machine readable formats and without restriction to its use and reuse;***

Or. en

Amendment 186

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan,

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14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan,

for which proper national implementation will be key;

for which proper national implementation will be key; *calls, with the same aim in view, for the Commission to put forward a proposal for a platform which would bring together all the online services provided by the EU in order to facilitate access to them;*

Or. fr

Amendment 187

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key;

Amendment

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key; *to this end, EU institutions and Member States should encourage and make use of ICT tools based on open source and free software;*

Or. en

Amendment 188

Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation

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14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation

will be key;

will be key, *in synergy with the national digital agencies and authorities*;

Or. it

Amendment 189
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation will be key;

Amendment

14. Stresses that the development of e-administration should be a priority for Member States and the EU institutions and welcomes the Commission's ambitious and comprehensive e-government action plan, for which proper national implementation *and coordination of available EU funding* will be key;

Or. en

Amendment 190
Csaba Molnár

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

14a. Proposes that, on the basis of the existing DESI (Digital Economy and Society Index) indicator, the Commission should make recommendations to the Member States with a view to reinforcing e-democracy, which proposals could also usefully be incorporated in the recommendations of the European Semester;

Or. hu

Amendment 191

Sylvie Goulard, Kaja Kallas, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; ***stresses that trust is key to ensure the take up of e-democracy solutions***; calls ***therefore*** on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible ***interoperable*** models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, ***based on secure and encrypted digital identity and digital signature, in accordance with the EIDAS regulation that provides an EU framework on electronic identification and trust services***, in time for the next European elections in 2019, ***including responses to citizens' legitimate concerns about cyber security, data protection and voter anonymity***;

Or. en

Amendment 192

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

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15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and

interests of the **public**; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

interests of the **different people of Europe**; **highlight the key-role of new technologies to support the development of national parliaments network, their horizontal exchanges and coordination with the aim of using all the potential allowed by the Treaties to improve subsidiarity control, Council accountability and EU laws legitimation** ; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Or. en

Amendment 193
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; ***calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;***

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public;

Or. el

Amendment 194
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of ***possible models of online voting*** for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, ***in time for the next European elections in 2019***;

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; ***points out the need to know what are citizens' attitudes towards the implementation of remote internet voting*** ; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of ***public opinion regarding online voting as an additional option for citizens to cast their vote*** for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017;

Or. en

Amendment 195
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the ***Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting*** for consideration by the ***Member States*** by the end of 2017, ***in time for the next European elections in 2019***;

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; Calls on the ***European Council to take a decision, in time for the next European elections, on the proposal from the European Parliament for reform of the electoral law of the European Union (2015/2035(INL)), which allows the Member States to provide for online voting provided that the highest possible standards of data protection are ensured.***

Or. de

Amendment 196
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; ***stresses that sharing of best practices needs to be incorporated at all institutional levels and*** calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Or. es

Amendment 197
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States ***by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;***

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States;

Amendment 198**Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 15***Motion for a resolution*

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of *the public*; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of *citizens and aims to involve them in decision-making processes*; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next European elections in 2019;

Or. en

Amendment 199**Max Andersson****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 15***Motion for a resolution*

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting *for consideration by the Member States by the end of 2017, in time for the next*

Amendment

15. Calls for more cooperation at EU level and recommends the sharing of best practices for e-democracy projects as a way to move towards a form of democracy that is more participatory and deliberative and that responds to the requests and interests of the public; calls on the Commission to provide an assessment of possible models of online voting *with an analysis of their strengths and weaknesses for consideration by the Member States*;

Amendment 200

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect, *as a matter of priority*, privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, *including the "right to be forgotten"*, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions, *in line with the European and international human rights standards and the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights and the European Court of Justice*; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes *as well as a justification to unnecessarily restrict human rights and fundamental freedoms*;

Amendment 201

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect, *by using distributed control mechanisms*,

tools and to foster *a more* secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster *an open and* secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, *guarantees against surveillance software, net neutrality*, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes *nor to impede the implementation and use of e-democracy tools*;

Or. en

Amendment 202
Kaja Kallas, Sylvie Goulard

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools, *therefore to further develop the use of digital services based on key enablers such as a secure and encrypted digital identity according to the EIDAS regulation*, and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

Or. en

Amendment 203
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; ***underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;***

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions;

Or. de

Amendment 204
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; ***underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;***

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; ***underlines that security issues must not become excuses to promote indiscriminate surveillance and control operations nor a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;***

Or. es

Amendment 205

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that *security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes*;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that *the principle of proportionality should be applied when designing the security dimension of e-democracy tools in order to ensure the appropriate level of security for each tool*;

Or. en

Amendment 206

Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, *source verifiability*, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes;

Or. fr

Amendment 207

Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the *inclusion of individuals and groups in democratic processes*;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to protect privacy and personal data when using e-democracy tools and to foster a more secure internet environment, particularly with regard to information and data security, the setting-up of secure digital public registers and the validation of electronic signatures in order to prevent fraudulent multiple interactions; underlines that security issues must not become a deterrent to the *full involvement for every citizens without exception or distinction*;

Or. en

Amendment 208

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Recalls the essential role that whistle-blowers play – generally through internet – in exposing corruption, fraud, mismanagement and other wrongdoing that threaten public health and safety, financial integrity, human rights, the environment and the rule of law, while ensuring, at the same time, the public right to information; calls once again on the EU institutions and the Member States to adopt effective rules regarding whistle-blowers' protection in line with the European and international standards and guidelines in this field; in addition,

calls on the Commission to set up a common legislation to protect whistle-blowers, witnesses and persons who cooperate with the judicial process and to establish a specific fund aimed at giving protection to the person lodging the complaint, in order to support legal fees, medical bills, psycho-social counselling as well as a resettlement programme, taking into account that whistleblowing and filling of complaints generally cause the loss of job or deeply worsen the working conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 209
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

Amendment

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament); *calls on the political groups within the European Parliament and the European political parties to increase the opportunities for public discussion and e-participation;*

Or. it

Amendment 210
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Encourages public representatives

Amendment

17. *Stresses that e-democracy*

to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

presupposes a new definition of the role of politicians, and encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

Or. nl

Amendment 211

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

Amendment

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively, *with citizens*, in existing forums *and use new media and IT platforms* with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament) *and create a direct connection with them*;

Or. en

Amendment 212

Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

Amendment

17. Encourages public representatives to participate actively in existing *and fully independent* forums, with a view to stimulating discussion and exchanging opinions and proposals with citizens (e-parliament);

Or. en

Amendment 213
Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. *Calls on* its Members to **enhance transparency in their** work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Amendment

18. *Highlights the efforts made by* its Members to **act and** work **transparently and urges them to continue doing so**, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy; **suggests, in that connection, that the Committee on Constitutional Affairs consider the advisability of creating, within Parliament, a qualitative tool which would give a fairer picture of the parliamentary work performed by Members than is possible using the current indicators;**

Or. fr

Amendment 214
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, **and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital** platforms, including the latest IT tools, **in order to allow** Members to communicate with the

Amendment

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context; asks **the committee responsible in the European Parliament to draw up a report on the most active platforms sharing technology to improve democracy and to**

constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;

become involved in them; requests the inclusion in the recently created forum for better digital services of a specific section on improving the transparency and e-participation services offered to the public, including the latest IT tools; encourages Members to use these tools to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Or. es

Amendment 215

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Amendment

18. Calls on its Members **and other EU Institutions** to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate **and positively engage** with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 216

Ramón Jáuregui Atondo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks *its administration* to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow *Members* to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making *processes* and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Amendment

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks *public authorities* to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow *elected representatives* to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up *the processes of deliberation and* policy-making and increasing awareness of European democracy;

Or. es

Amendment 217

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently, *with a view to informing them on EU and parliamentary activities, to opening up policy-making processes and increasing awareness of European democracy;*

Amendment

18. Calls on its Members to enhance transparency in their work, especially in the current challenging political context, and asks its administration to look into the possibility of setting up digital platforms, including the latest IT tools, in order to allow Members to communicate with the constituents and stakeholders efficiently *and increase transparency by allowing its Members to publish their meetings with lobbyists and the documents provided by these stakeholders;*

Or. en

Amendment 218

Max Andersson

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and *its* frontrunner position; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Amendment

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and ***commits to take the*** frontrunner position ***in this field; proposes in this regard to develop a digital platform as a follow up of the on-going pilot project 'Promoting linked open data, free software and civil society participation in law-making throughout the EU' to support, inter alia, a process of public consultation for its reports;*** supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character ***by including citizens' participation in the decision-making process*** and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Or. en

Amendment 219

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes *its* initiatives in the field of e-participation ***and its frontrunner position;*** supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Amendment

19. Welcomes ***European Parliament's*** initiatives in the field of e-participation ; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential; ***points out the need for a broad reflection process on how to improve the use of ICT by its members, not only for engaging with the public but***

also regarding legislation, petitions, consultations and other aspects relevant for their daily work;

Or. en

Amendment 220
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and its frontrunner position; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Amendment

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and its frontrunner position; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential *while taking into account the necessary limits imposed by the right to privacy and to the protection of personal data;*

Or. en

Amendment 221
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. *Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and its frontrunner position;* supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Amendment

19. supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Or. el

Amendment 222
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and its frontrunner position; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Amendment

19. Welcomes its initiatives in the field of e-participation and its frontrunner position; supports continuous efforts to strengthen its representative character, ***legitimacy and effectiveness***, and encourages its Members to make wider use of new technologies in order to develop them to their full potential;

Or. nl

Amendment 223
Enrico Gasbarra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society;

Amendment

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society; ***suggests to this end that possible modifications be considered to the Statute of European political parties and that these cover and promote e-participation practices***;

Or. it

Amendment 224
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy *in order to allow* better communication with their members and supporters and *with* civil society;

Amendment

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to *make the most out of digital tools in order to* develop new ways to promote internal democracy, *including transparency in their management, financing, decision-making processes and* better communication with *and participation of* their members and supporters and civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 225
Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society;

Amendment

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society *and to be highly transparent and accountable towards citizens*;

Or. en

Amendment 226
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to

Amendment

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to *use ICT tools and*

promote internal democracy *in order to* allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society;

develop new ways to promote internal democracy *and* allow better communication with their members and supporters and with civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 227
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with *civil* society;

Amendment

20. Encourages political parties at EU and national level to develop new ways to promote internal democracy in order to allow better communication with their members and supporters and with society;

Or. el

Amendment 228
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. *Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level;*

deleted

Amendment

Or. el

Amendment 229
Max Andersson
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level;

Amendment

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level; ***reiterates at the same time the need to complement these measures with awareness raising campaigns in order to explain the possibilities of these tools;***

Or. en

Amendment 230
Barbara Spinelli, Kostas Chrysogonos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level;

Amendment

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level, ***taking into account the best practices already developed within the Member States;***

Or. en

Amendment 231
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the EU ***and its institutions*** to be open to more experimentation with

Amendment

21. Calls on the EU to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation

new e-participation methods *such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level*;

methods;

Or. en

Amendment 232

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level;

Amendment

21. Calls on the EU and its institutions to be open to more experimentation with new e-participation methods such as crowdsourcing at EU level and at national, regional and local level *and, to this end, launch specific pilot projects*;

Or. en

Amendment 233

Isabella Adinolfi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls on the European institutions to launch a participatory process in order to elaborate a European Charter of Internet rights, taking as reference the Italian Declaration of Internet Rights published by the Chamber of Deputies on 28 July 2015, enshrining all rights that play a fundamental role in the new digital era;

Or. en