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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Draft report**  
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on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council of 22 October 2014 on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations

Proposal for a regulation  
(COM(2017)0481 – C8-0307/2017 – 2017/0219(COD))



**Amendment 10**  
**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 1 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(1a) National political parties and individual members attendance in the European Parliament is both legal and legitimate. Legal as long as they meet the requirements set up in their national legislation, legitimate by the citizens vote. The present legislation aims to ensure the fair allocation of European funding between European political parties based on these two criteria and in full accordance with Article 2 TEU.***

Or. en

**Amendment 11**  
**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 3**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

(3) It is necessary to better ensure a genuine transnational dimension of European political parties and political foundations as regards their acquisition of the specific European legal status through registration. Moreover, in order to strengthen the link between politics at national level and at Union level and to prevent the same national party from artificially creating several European political parties with similar or identical political tendencies, it should be excluded that members of the same national political party are taken into account in relation to

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different political alliances, for the purpose of the minimum representation requirements for those alliances to be registered as a European party. ***Therefore, only political parties and no longer individuals should be taken into account for the purpose of these minimum representation requirements.***

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Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 4**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

***(4) European political parties and foundations should be enabled to absorb a larger part of the appropriations dedicated to their funding in the general budget of the European Union. Therefore, the maximum share of financial contributions or grants from the general budget of the European Union in the annual reimbursable expenditure indicated in the budget of a European political party and in the eligible costs incurred by a European political foundation should be increased.***

*Amendment*

***deleted***

Or. it

**Amendment 13**  
**Jasenko Selimovic**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 5**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(5) For reasons of transparency and in order to strengthen the scrutiny and the democratic accountability of European political parties and the link between European civil society and the Union institutions, in particular the European Parliament, access to funding from the general budget of the European Union should be made conditional upon the publication by the member parties of the programme and logo of the European political party concerned, as well as information regarding the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the members of the European Parliament.

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Or. en

**Amendment 14**

**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

**Proposal for a regulation**

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*Amendment*

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*representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the members of the European Parliament.*

Or. en

**Amendment 15**  
**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
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*Text proposed by the Commission*

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Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 6**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(6) To establish a more proportionate allocation of resources from the general budget of the European Union, objectively reflecting the genuine electoral support of a European political party, the funding of European political parties and, by extension, of their respective affiliated political foundations should be linked more closely to a demonstrable level of electoral support. Therefore, the rules on the distribution of funding should be adapted to take greater account of the share of elected members in the European Parliament of each European political party.**

**deleted**

Or. it

#### **Amendment 17**

**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

##### **Recital 11**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

(11) The new requirements regarding publicity of the programme and logo of European political parties **and of information regarding gender representation** should apply to the largest possible extent already to applications for funding for 2019, the year in which elections to the European Parliament will take place. Therefore, transitional arrangements should be provided for.

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Or. en

## **Amendment 18**

**Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Recital 11 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(11a) In order to ensure greater transparency, legal certainty and full respect of the rules by all, a permanent Working Group on Transparency of European Parties and Foundations' Activities should be established within the European Parliament. The Working Group should review all rules and procedures currently applicable on the eligibility for funding from the general budget of the European Union of activities performed by European parties and foundations. That review should focus on the activities performed and on the practices observed to date as well as on the decisions of eligibility adopted by the Bureau of the European Parliament. The Working Group should propose any clarification or amendment to those rules and procedures it considers appropriate and should advise on decisions of eligibility to be adopted by the Bureau of the European Parliament.***

Or. en

## **Amendment 19**

**Ingeborg Gräble**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Recital 11 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(11a) The material scope of competences of the EPPO is limited to criminal***



*offences affecting the financial interests of the Union in accordance with the Regulation establishing the Office. The tasks of the EPPO should thus be to investigate, prosecute and bring to judgement the perpetrators of offences against the Union's Financial interests under the Directive on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law, and offences, which are inextricably linked to them.*

Or. en

### *Justification*

*New recital to Regulation 1141/2014 to support the inclusion of a new article 25, paragraph 7a in the Regulation.*

#### **Amendment 20**

**Ingeborg Gräble**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Recital 11 b (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(11b) In order to ensure compliance with the obligations laid down by this Regulation regarding the funding and expenditure of European political parties and European political foundations and regarding other matters, it is necessary to establish effective control mechanisms. To that end, the Authority, the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament and the Member States should cooperate and exchange all necessary information. They should also agree on practical arrangements that include some common rules on how to protect whistle-blowers. Mutual cooperation amongst Member States' authorities should be also encouraged in order to ensure the*

*effective and efficient control of obligations stemming from applicable national law. The involvement of OLAF and the EPPO in the information sharing is required when the decision of the Authority is to be followed up.*

Or. en

*Justification*

*Addition to recital 30 of Regulation 1141/2014 to support amendments to paragraphs 2 and 4 of article 28 of that Regulation.*

**Amendment 21**  
**Jasenko Selimovic**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point -1 (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Recital 12

*Present text*

(12) European political parties and their affiliated European political foundations wishing to obtain recognition as such at Union level by virtue of European legal status and to receive public funding from the general budget of the European Union should respect certain principles and fulfil certain conditions. In particular, it is necessary for European political parties and their affiliated European political foundations to respect the values on which the Union is founded, as expressed in Article 2 TEU.

*Amendment*

***(-1) Recital 12 is replaced by the following:***

***“(12) European political parties and their affiliated European political foundations wishing to obtain recognition as such at Union level by virtue of European legal status and to receive public funding from the general budget of the European Union should respect certain principles and fulfil certain conditions. In particular, it is necessary for European political parties and their affiliated European political foundations to respect, especially in their programme and in their activities, the values on which the Union is founded, as expressed in Article 2 TEU, namely respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities.”***

Or. en

**Amendment 22**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 a (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Recital 12 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(1a) The following recital is inserted:**  
**‘(12a) European political parties and European foundations should support themselves without any funding affecting the EU budget;’**

Or. it

**Amendment 23**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 b (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Recital 34

*Present text*

*Amendment*

(34) In compliance with the principle of proportionality, the obligation to publish the identity of donors who are natural persons should not apply to donations equal to or below EUR 1 500 per year and per donor. ***Furthermore, this obligation should not apply to annual donations the annual value of which exceeds EUR 1 500 and is below or equal to EUR 3 000, unless the donor has given prior written consent to the publication. These thresholds strike an appropriate balance between, on the one hand, the fundamental right to the protection of personal data and, on the other hand, the legitimate public interest in transparency***

**(1b) Recital 34 is replaced by the following:**

(34) In compliance with the principle of proportionality, the obligation to publish the identity of donors who are natural persons should not apply to donations equal to or below EUR 1 500 per year and per donor. ***These thresholds strike an appropriate balance between, on the one hand, the fundamental right to protection of personal data and, on the other, legitimate public interest in transparency regarding the funding of European political parties and foundations, as reflected in international recommendations to avoid corruption in relation to the funding of political parties and foundations.*** The disclosure of

*regarding the funding of European political parties and foundations, as reflected in international recommendations to avoid corruption in relation to the funding of political parties and foundations.* The disclosure of donations exceeding **EUR 3 000** per year and per donor should allow effective public scrutiny and control over the relations between donors and European political parties. Also in compliance with the principle of proportionality, information on donations should be published annually, except during election campaigns to the European Parliament or for donations exceeding **EUR 12 000**, in respect of which publication should take place expeditiously.

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Or. it

#### **Amendment 24** **Helmut Scholz**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point -1 (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 3

#### *Present text*

(3) ‘European political party’ means a political alliance which pursues political objectives and is registered with the Authority for European political parties and foundations established in Article 6, in accordance with the conditions and procedures laid down in this Regulation;

#### *Amendment*

**-1. Article 2(3) is amended as follows:**

(3) ‘European political party’ means a political alliance which pursues political objectives, ***establishes its own forms of cooperation for their implementation in accordance with democratic rules*** and is registered with the Authority for European political parties and foundations established in Article 6, in accordance with the conditions and procedures laid down in this Regulation;

Or. de

**Amendment 25**  
**Jasenko Selimovic**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b – subparagraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(1) In Article 3(1)b, the first subparagraph is replaced by the following:** **deleted**

*‘its member parties must be represented by, in at least one quarter of the Member States, members of the European Parliament, of national Parliaments, of regional parliaments or of regional assemblies, or’*

Or. en

**Amendment 26**  
**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b – subparagraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(1) In Article 3(1)b, the first subparagraph is replaced by the following:** **deleted**

*‘its member parties must be represented by, in at least one quarter of the Member States, members of the European Parliament, of national Parliaments, of regional parliaments or of regional assemblies, or’*

**Amendment 27**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b – subparagraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(1) In Article 3(1)b, the first subparagraph is replaced by the following:*

*deleted*

*‘its member parties must be represented by, in at least one quarter of the Member States, members of the European Parliament, of national Parliaments, of regional parliaments or of regional assemblies, or’*

**Amendment 28**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b – subparagraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*its member parties must be represented by, in at least one quarter of the Member States, members of the European Parliament, of national Parliaments, of regional parliaments or of regional assemblies, or*

*it must be represented, in at least one quarter of Member States, by Members of the European Parliament or in the national Parliaments or regional Parliaments or in the regional assemblies, or*

## **Amendment 29**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(1a) In Article 3, paragraph 1, the following point is inserted:***

***‘(ba) its members and its elected members in the European Parliament, national parliament or regional parliament or assembly, are not members of another European political party.’***

Or. en

## **Amendment 30**

**Helmut Scholz**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

*Present text*

*Amendment*

***1a. In Article 3(1), the following point is inserted:***

***‘(ca) none of its members has been convicted in a Member State for serious infringements of national legislation;’***

*(This amendment applies to the entire text. Adoption thereof will necessitate technical changes throughout and in particular to Articles 9(3), 10(2), 10(3) 10(4), 11(3) and 16(3).)*

Or. de

*(<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=OJ:L:2014:317:FULL&from=EN>)*

**Amendment 31**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 c (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 6 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

*Present text*

The Director of the Authority shall be appointed for a five-year non-renewable term by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission (jointly referred to as the 'appointing authority') by common accord, on the basis of proposals made by a selection committee composed of the Secretaries-General of those institutions following an open call for candidates.

*Amendment*

**(1c) In Article 6(3), the first subparagraph is replaced by the following:**

The Director of the Authority shall be appointed for a five-year non-renewable term by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission (jointly referred to as the 'appointing authority') by common accord, on the basis of proposals made by a selection committee composed of the Secretaries-General of those institutions following an open call for candidates. ***The selection procedure in that committee shall be public and the final agreement ratified by a vote in the European Parliament.***

Or. it

**Amendment 32**  
**Helmut Scholz**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 b (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 16 – paragraph 3

*Present text*

(3) If a European political party or a European political foundation has seriously failed to fulfil relevant obligations under

*Amendment*

**(1b) Article 16(3) is amended as follows:**

(3) If a European political party, ***a member party*** or a European political foundation has seriously failed to fulfil



national law applicable by virtue of the first subparagraph of Article 14(2), the Member State of the seat may address to the Authority a duly reasoned request for de-registration which must identify precisely and exhaustively the illegal actions and the specific national requirements that have not been complied with. In such cases, the Authority shall:

- (a) for matters relating exclusively or predominantly to elements affecting respect for the values on which the Union is founded, as expressed in Article 2 TEU, initiate a verification procedure in accordance with Article 10(3). Article 10(4), (5) and (6) shall also apply;
- (b) for any other matter, and when the reasoned request of the Member State concerned confirms that all national remedies have been exhausted, decide to remove the European political party or European political foundation concerned from the Register.

If a European political party or a European political foundation has seriously failed to fulfil relevant obligations under national law applicable by virtue of the second subparagraph of Article 14(2), and if the matter relates exclusively or predominantly to elements affecting *respect of the values on which the Union is founded, as expressed in Article 2 TEU*, the Member State concerned may address a request to the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the first subparagraph of this paragraph. The Authority shall proceed in accordance with point (a) of the first subparagraph of this paragraph.

In all cases, the Authority shall act without undue delay. The Authority shall inform the Member State concerned and the European political party or European political foundation concerned of the follow-up given to the reasoned request for de-registration.

relevant obligations under national law applicable by virtue of the first subparagraph of Article 14(2), the Member State of the seat may address to the Authority a duly reasoned request for de-registration which must identify precisely and exhaustively the illegal actions and the specific national requirements that have not been complied with. In such cases, the Authority shall:

- (a) for matters relating exclusively or predominantly to elements affecting respect for the values on which the Union is founded, as expressed in Article 2 TEU, initiate a verification procedure in accordance with Article 10(3). Article 10(4), (5) and (6) shall also apply;
- (b) for any other matter, and when the reasoned request of the Member State concerned confirms that all national remedies have been exhausted, decide to remove the European political party or European political foundation concerned from the Register.

If a European political party or a European political foundation has seriously failed to fulfil relevant obligations under national law applicable by virtue of the second subparagraph of Article 14(2), and if the matter relates exclusively or predominantly to elements affecting *the conditions for registration set out in Article 3(1)(c) and (ca) and Article 3(2)(c)*, the Member State concerned may address a request to the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the first subparagraph of this paragraph. The Authority shall proceed in accordance with point (a) of the first subparagraph of this paragraph.

In all cases, the Authority shall act without undue delay. The Authority shall inform the Member State concerned and the European political party or European political foundation concerned of the follow-up given to the reasoned request for de-registration.

(<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=OJ:L:2014:317:FULL&from=EN>)

### Amendment 33

**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

#### Proposal for a regulation

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 1 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 17 – paragraph 3

#### *Present Text*

3. For the purposes of determining eligibility for funding from the general budget of the European Union in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article and point (b) of Article 3(1), and for the application of Article 19(1), a member of the European Parliament shall be considered *as* a member of only one European political party, which shall, where relevant, be the one to which his or her national or regional political party is affiliated on the final date for the submission of applications for funding.

#### *Amendment*

***(1a) Article 17(3) is replaced by the following:***

“3. For the purposes of determining eligibility for funding from the general budget of the European Union in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article and point (b) of Article 3(1), and for the application of Article 19(1), a member of ***a regional parliament or assembly, of a national parliament or of*** the European Parliament shall be considered ***to be*** a member of only one European political party, which shall, where relevant, be the one to which his or her national or regional political party is affiliated on the final date for the submission of applications for funding. ***Furthermore those members who belong to a political party that is not affiliated to a European party shall be considered as members of the European party whose Board accepted them in writing as members.***”

(<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32014R1141&from=EN>)

### Amendment 34

**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

## **Proposal for a regulation**

### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 17 – paragraph 4

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(2) Article 17(4), is replaced by the following:**

**deleted**

**‘4. Financial contributions or grants from the general budget of the European Union shall not exceed 90 % of the annual reimbursable expenditure indicated in the budget of a European political party and 95 % of the eligible costs incurred by a European political foundation. European political parties may use any unused part of the Union contribution awarded to cover reimbursable expenditure within the financial year following its award. Amounts still unused after that financial year shall be recovered in accordance with the Financial Regulation. ’**

Or. it

## **Amendment 35**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

## **Proposal for a regulation**

### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 17 – paragraph 4

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

4. Financial contributions or grants from the general budget of the European Union shall not exceed **90** % of the annual reimbursable expenditure indicated in the budget of a European political party and 95 % of the eligible costs incurred by a European political foundation. European political parties may use any unused part of the Union contribution awarded to cover

4. Financial contributions or grants from the general budget of the European Union shall not exceed **95** % of the annual reimbursable expenditure indicated in the budget of a European political party and 95 % of the eligible costs incurred by a European political foundation. European political parties may use any unused part of the Union contribution awarded to cover

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Or. en

### **Amendment 36**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 18 – paragraph 2 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(2a) In Article 18, the following paragraph 2a is inserted:**

***“2a. Its member parties running in the elections of the European Parliament shall publish on their website the political programme and logo of the European political party to which they are affiliated, as well as information on the gender composition of their candidate lists and among their elected Members of the European Parliament.”***

Or. en

### **Amendment 37**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 18 – paragraph 3 a

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application evidence demonstrating that its member parties have

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continuously published on their websites, during **12** months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party *as well as information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the Members of the European Parliament.*

continuously published on their websites, during **3** months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party.

Or. en

### **Amendment 38**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

##### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 18 – paragraph 3 a

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application *evidence demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, during 12 months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party as well as* information, in relation to each of *the* member parties *of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the* Members of the European Parliament.

#### *Amendment*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application *the* information, in relation to each of *its* member parties *that ran in the previous elections of the European Parliament, on the gender composition of their candidate lists* and among *their elected* Members of the European Parliament.

Or. en

### **Amendment 39**

**Jasenko Selimovic**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) Nr. 1141/2014  
Article 18 – paragraph 3 a

*Text proposed by the Commission*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application evidence demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, during 12 months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party as well as information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the Members of the European Parliament.

*Amendment*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application evidence demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, ***in a comprehensive, detailed, reliable, user-friendly and accessible way***, during 12 months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party as well as information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the Members of the European Parliament.

Or. en

**Amendment 40**

**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

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**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3**  
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Article 18 – paragraph 3 a

*Text proposed by the Commission*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application evidence demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, during 12 months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party ***as well as*** information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among

*Amendment*

3a. A European political party shall include in its application evidence demonstrating that ***the majority of*** its member parties have continuously published on their websites, during 12 months preceding the moment at which the applications is made, the political programme and logo of the European political party ***and are encouraged to include*** information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European

the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the Members of the European Parliament.

political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the Members of the European Parliament.

Or. en

#### **Amendment 41**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4) Article 19(1) is replaced by the following:**

**deleted**

**‘1. The respective appropriations available to those European political parties and European political foundations which have been awarded contributions or grants in accordance with Article 18 shall be distributed annually on the basis of the following distribution key:**

**– 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,**

**– 95 % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.**

**The same distribution key shall be used to award funding to European political foundations, on the basis of their affiliation with a European political party.’**

Or. en

## **Amendment 42**

**Bas Belder, Arne Gericke, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Peter van Dalen, Branislav Škripek**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4) Article 19(1) is replaced by the following:** *deleted*

**‘1. The respective appropriations available to those European political parties and European political foundations which have been awarded contributions or grants in accordance with Article 18 shall be distributed annually on the basis of the following distribution key:**

- 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,**
- 95 % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.**

**The same distribution key shall be used to award funding to European political foundations, on the basis of their affiliation with a European political party.’**

Or. en

## **Amendment 43**

**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1



*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4) Article 19(1) is replaced by the following:**

**deleted**

**'1. The respective appropriations available to those European political parties and European political foundations which have been awarded contributions or grants in accordance with Article 18 shall be distributed annually on the basis of the following distribution key:**

- 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,**
- 95 % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.**

**The same distribution key shall be used to award funding to European political foundations, on the basis of their affiliation with a European political party.'**

Or. it

#### **Amendment 44**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**– 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,**

**– 20 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,**

Or. en

**Amendment 45**  
**Morten Messerschmidt**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,

*Amendment*

– 10 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,

Or. en

**Amendment 46**  
**Jasenko Selimovic**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– 5 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,

*Amendment*

– 10 % shall be distributed in equal shares among the beneficiary European political parties,

Or. en

**Amendment 47**  
**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 2

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– 95 % shall be distributed in

*Amendment*

– 80 % shall be distributed in

proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

Or. en

**Amendment 48**  
**Morten Messerschmidt**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 2

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– **95** % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

*Amendment*

– **90** % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

Or. en

**Amendment 49**  
**Jasenko Selimovic**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 2

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– **95** % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

*Amendment*

– **90** % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament among the beneficiary European political parties.

Or. en

**Amendment 50**  
**Pervenche Berès**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – indent 2

*Text proposed by the Commission*

– 95 % shall be distributed in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament ***among the beneficiary*** European political parties.

*Amendment*

– 95 % shall be distributed ***among the beneficiary European political parties*** in proportion to their share of elected members of the European Parliament ***who are full members of a*** European political group.

Or. en

**Amendment 51**  
**Helmut Scholz**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 19 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(4a) In Article 19(1), the following subparagraph is added:***

***‘If the distribution key is altered, no European political party or European political foundation shall as a result receive more or less than 5% more or less funding in the first year than in the previous year.’***

Or. de

*(<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=OJ:L:2014:317:FULL&from=EN>)*

**Amendment 52**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 20 – paragraph 1 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4a)** *In Article 20, after paragraph 1 the following paragraph is inserted:*

**“1a.** *Donations to European political parties and European political foundations may be used to reimburse annual reimbursable expenditure of a European political party or to cover eligible costs of a European political foundation.”*

Or. en

**Amendment 53**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 20 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

*Present text*

*Amendment*

**(4a)** *In Article 20(2), the second subparagraph is deleted.*

Or. it

**Amendment 54**  
**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 24 – paragraph 4 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4a)** *In Article 24, the following paragraph 4a is added:*

**“4a.** *The Authority shall establish in the Annex to the Regulation an exhaustive list of good and bad practices of European political foundations and European political parties in reporting to the Authority. This annex provides a precise definition of the Authority’s requirements to parties and foundations. It has a jurisprudential value in the event of disputes and conflicts of interpretation between the Authority and the parties and foundations.”*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 55**

**Ingeborg Gräßle**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

#### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 25 – paragraph 7 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(4a)** *In Article 25, the following paragraph is added:*

**“(7a)** *When criminal offenses affecting the financial interests of the Union, within the meaning of Directive (EU) 2017/1371 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2017, are perpetrated in one or more Member States that are participating in enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the EPPO, the EPPO shall be called to investigate in accordance with the conditions laid down in Regulation (EU) No .../...<sup>+</sup>*

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+ *OJ: please insert the number of the Regulation on the EPPO.*”

Or. en

*Justification*

*The EPPO will be the responsible body to investigate any crime against the financial interests of the Union.*

**Amendment 56**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 4 b (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 26

*Present text*

All technical support provided by the European Parliament to European political parties shall be based on the principle of equal treatment. It shall be granted on conditions no less favourable than those granted to other external organisations and associations that may be accorded similar facilities and shall be supplied against invoice and payment.

*Amendment*

***(4b) Article 26 is replaced by the following:***

***“1. All technical support provided by the European Parliament to European political parties **and European political foundations** shall be based on the principle of equal treatment. It shall be granted on conditions no less favourable than those granted to other external organisations and associations that may be accorded similar facilities and shall be supplied against invoice and payment.***

***2. The European Parliament shall provide the European political parties and European political foundations with the necessary offices physically located in the European Parliament in Brussels and Strasbourg.”***

Or. en

**Amendment 57**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 5 – point b a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 27 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**(ba) In paragraph 1, the following subparagraph shall be added:**

**‘The Authority shall decide to remove it from the Register as soon as possible after confirmation that one of the above situations has arisen.’**

Or. it

**Amendment 58**  
**Ingeborg Gräßle**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 28 – paragraph 2

*Present text*

*Amendment*

2. They shall also agree on practical arrangements for such exchange of information, including the rules regarding the disclosure of confidential information or evidence and the cooperation among Member States.

**(5a) In Article 28, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:**

“2. They shall also agree on practical arrangements for such exchange of information, including the rules regarding the disclosure of confidential information or evidence, **the protection of whistle-blowers** and the cooperation among Member States.”

Or. en

*Justification*

*Inclusion of whistle-blowers protection*



## **Amendment 59**

**Ingeborg Gräble**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 5 b (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 28 – paragraph 4

#### *Present text*

“4. The Authority shall inform the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament of any decision it has taken in relation to sanctions, in order to enable him or her to draw the appropriate consequences under the Financial Regulation”;

#### *Amendment*

**(5b) In Article 28, paragraph 4 is replaced by the following:**

“4. The Authority shall inform the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament of any decision it has taken in relation to sanctions, in order to enable him or her to draw the appropriate consequences under the Financial Regulation. **Where appropriate, the authority shall also inform OLAF and the EPPO, in order to enable those bodies to proceed with the relevant investigation accordingly**”;

Or. en

#### *Justification*

*Sharing information with OLAF and EPPO to enable those bodies to investigate actions against the financial interests of the Union.*

## **Amendment 60**

**Ingeborg Gräble**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 30 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

#### *Present text*

#### *Amendment*

**(5a) In Article 30, paragraph 2,**

In the event of such termination, payments by the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament shall be limited to the *eligible* expenditure *actually* incurred by the European political party or European political foundation up to the date when the termination decision takes effect.

*subparagraph 2 is replaced by the following:*

“In the event of such termination, payments by the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament shall be limited to the *reimbursable* expenditure incurred by the European political party or *the eligible expenditure incurred by* European political foundation up to the date when the termination decision takes effect;”

Or. en

#### *Justification*

*The reference to reimbursable expenditure is the expression used in the Financial Regulation Article 204g and in article 17, 4 and 5 of Regulation 1141/2014, and is the adequate concept to use in the recovery.*

#### **Amendment 61** **Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)**  
Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014  
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – point e

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(e) the names of donors and their corresponding donations reported by European political parties and European political foundations in accordance with Article 20(2), (3) and (4), with the exception of donations from natural persons the value of which does not exceed EUR 1 500 per year and per donor, which shall be reported as 'minor donations'.  
***Donations from natural persons the annual value of which exceeds EUR 1 500 and is below or equal to EUR 3 000 shall not be published without the corresponding donor's prior written***

#### *Amendment*

***(6a) in Article 32(1), point (e) is amended as follows:***

(e) the names of donors and their corresponding donations reported by European political parties and European political foundations in accordance with Article 20(2), (3) and (4), with the exception of donations from natural persons the value of which does not exceed EUR 1 500 per year and per donor, which shall be reported as 'minor donations'. The total amount of minor donations and the number of donors per calendar year shall also be published;

*consent to their publication. If no such prior consent has been given, such donations shall be reported as 'minor donations'. The total amount of minor donations and the number of donors per calendar year shall also be published;*

Or. it

## **Amendment 62**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 32 – paragraph 1 – point j a (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(6a) In Article 32, paragraph 1, the following point is inserted:*

*“(ja) an updated list of Members of the European Parliament which are direct or indirect members of a European political party pursuant Article 17(1), (3) and 19(1).”*

Or. en

## **Amendment 63**

**Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Morten Messerschmidt, Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 32 a

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(6a) The following Article shall be inserted:*

*“Article 32a*

*Working Group on Transparency of European Parties and Foundations’*

*Activities*

*1. A permanent Working Group on Transparency of European Parties and Foundations' Activities ('the Working Group') shall be established within the European Parliament.*

*2. The Working Group shall perform the following tasks:*

*(a) review all rules and procedures currently applicable to the eligibility for funding from the general budget of the European Union of activities performed by European parties and foundations;*

*(b) propose any clarification or amendment to the rules and procedures referred to in point (a) it considers appropriate;*

*(c) give an advice on all decisions of eligibility to be adopted by the Bureau of the European Parliament.*

*3. The Working Group shall be composed by one Member of the European Parliament from each political group existing in the European Parliament, as well as the Director General of the Authority for European Political Parties and Foundations and the Director General of the Directorate-General for Finance of the European Parliament, both acting as advisors."*

Or. en

**Amendment 64**

**Jean-Marie Cavada, Pascal Durand, Josep-Maria Terricabras**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 8**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 40 a – paragraph 1

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*By the way of derogation from Article*

*Article 18(3a) shall be applicable from the*

18(3a) **and as regards applications** for funding for the financial year 2019, **the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament shall, before deciding on an application on funding, request evidence from a European political party demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, for a period beginning one month after the entry into force of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No. XX/2018, the political programme and logo of the European political party as well as information, in relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the members of the European Parliament.**

**application** for funding for the financial year **2020 onwards**.

Or. en

## **Amendment 65**

**Gerolf Annemans, Jean-François Jalkh**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 8**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No. 1141/2014

Article 40 a – paragraph 1

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

By the way of derogation from Article 18(3a) and as regards applications for funding for the financial year 2019, the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament shall, before deciding on an application on funding, request evidence from a European political party demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, for a period beginning one month after the entry into force of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No. XX/2018, the political programme and logo of the European political party **as well as information, in**

#### *Amendment*

By the way of derogation from Article 18(3a) and as regards applications for funding for the financial year 2019, the Authorising Officer of the European Parliament shall, before deciding on an application on funding, request evidence from a European political party demonstrating that its member parties have continuously published on their websites, for a period beginning one month after the entry into force of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No. XX/2018, the political programme and logo of the European

*relation to each of the member parties of the European political party, on the gender representation among the candidates at the last elections to the European Parliament and among the members of the European Parliament.*

political party.

Or. en

## **Amendment 66**

**Ingeborg Gräble**

on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

### **Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 2 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

#### *Article 2a*

*However, the provisions of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014, applicable prior to the entry into force of this Regulation, shall continue to apply in their original versions to acts done and commitments made in respect of the funding of political parties and political foundations at European level for the budget year 2018.*

Or. en

#### *Justification*

*To ensure legal certainty. Procedures already started in 2017 should be submitted to the existing Regulation before its revision.*