



2019/2028(BUD)

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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Antonio Tajani
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on the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2020
(2019/2028(BUD))

Amendment 1
Mairead McGuinness

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Welcomes the proposed increase in funding for communication actions by 1,9% in commitment appropriations and 2,2% in payment appropriations, as compared to the 2019 budget. Communication with citizens should be fostered in order to ensure a broad public debate and citizens' involvement in the discussion on the future of Europe.

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 2
Pascal Durand

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Emphasises the need to continue efforts to fight fake news and disinformation with proper levels of financing for these activities.

Amendment

3. Emphasises the need to continue efforts to fight fake news and disinformation with proper ***and independent*** levels of financing for these activities.

Or. en

Amendment 3
Pascal Durand

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the proposed increases of 3,1% in commitment appropriations, but regrets the decrease of 3,8% in payment appropriations for the ‘Europe for Citizens’ programme; condemns the Council for its position to reduce by 4,4% the commitments appropriations for that aim. Welcomes the 5,3% increase in commitment appropriations and 21,3% in payment appropriations for the “Rights, Equality and Citizenship” programme but regrets the Council position to reduce by 3,5% the commitment appropriations. Welcomes the fact that a dedicated amount is allocated for the budgetary line of the European Citizens Initiative (ECI).

Amendment

4. Welcomes the proposed increases of 3,1% in commitment appropriations, but regrets the decrease of 3,8% in payment appropriations for the ‘Europe for Citizens’ programme; condemns the Council for its position to reduce by 4,4% the commitments appropriations for that aim ***considering that it was one of the key institutional demands of the Parliament.*** Welcomes the 5,3% increase in commitment appropriations and 21,3% in payment appropriations for the “Rights, Equality and Citizenship” programme but regrets the Council position to reduce by 3,5% the commitment appropriations. Welcomes the fact that a dedicated amount is allocated for the budgetary line of the European Citizens Initiative (ECI).

Or. en

Amendment 4
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Underlines the urgent need to provide the Joint Transparency Register Secretariat with sufficient and adequate administrative and financial means in order to fulfil its tasks, as it plays a key role in ensuring fair and transparent activities of interest representatives.

Or. en

Amendment 5
Mairead McGuinness

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls on the Commission to make the necessary proposals to fund the proposed Conference on the Future of Europe.

Amendment

5. Calls on the Commission to make the necessary proposals to fund the proposed Conference on the Future of Europe; ***notes the importance of a well-funded Conference to ensure the participation and engagement of a broad range of citizens including young people.***

Or. en

Amendment 6 Pascal Durand

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls on the Commission to make the necessary proposals to fund the proposed Conference on the Future of Europe.

Amendment

5. Calls on the Commission to make the necessary proposals to fund the proposed Conference on the Future of Europe ***in order to guarantee its institutional independence.***

Or. en

Amendment 7 Antonio Tajani

Draft opinion Paragraph 5a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Considers that the EU needs to build more knowledge and trust among citizens in the EU budget and its added value, by providing budgetary analysis for every new programme and new task in terms of savings made at national level and added value generated at the EU level. By doing so, we can win the support of the EU citizens and Member States,

*change the mind-set regarding the EU
budget contributions and contribute to
furthering the European project.*

Or. en