



2019/2028(BUD)

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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Paolo de Castro
(PE639.624v01-00)

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

Amendment 1

Peter Jahr, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider, Norbert Lins

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Insists that there should be no further cuts to the agricultural budget, especially given the fact that the agricultural sector is frequently affected by crises that require a budgetary response;

Or. en

Amendment 2

Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Jérémy Decerle, Irène Tolleret

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Notes that budgetary year 2020 is the last one of the current MFF period and therefore stresses the importance of preparation and smooth adaptation to the new financial period, in which a fair standard for living of farmers must be ensured;

Or. en

Amendment 3

Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle, Elsi Katainen

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2c. Is deeply concerned about the budgetary consequences of a non-deal

Brexit and, since farmers need to plan their activity in advance, strongly opposes any unexpected cut of CAP allocations in 2020 in case there is no agreement between the Union and the United Kingdom;

Or. en

Amendment 4

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2d. Notes that Union budgetary support for environmentally-damaging forms of agriculture leads to externalised costs, which then have to be borne by other public funds; stresses that this does not constitute an efficient use of the budget; notes that whole-system approaches such as agroecology lead to fewer negative externalities and represent a more efficient use of the budget in this respect;

Or. en

Amendment 5

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2e. Underlines that the Union budget must be coherent with the objectives of the Paris Agreement;

Amendment 6
Benoît Biteau
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2f. Recalls that, in March 2017, ECOFIN called on Member States to spend a higher amount of the Union budget during the remaining current MFF period on climate financing, given the additional commitments entered into at COP 21 in Paris; expresses concern for this failure to increase spending, given both the Union's Paris Agreement commitments and the European Parliament's own target for 30 % climate-related expenditure in the next MFF 2021-2027;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Benoît Biteau
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2g. Recalls that, according to the European Court of Auditors (ECA), there is a serious risk that the target of at least 20 % climate-related spending in the Union budget for 2014-2020 will not be achieved; regrets that, with the draft general budget for 2020 as currently proposed, despite its allocation of 21 % for climate-related spending, the Union

budget for 2014-2020 will only have achieved 19,7% climate-related spending; notes that this represents a EUR 3,5 billion shortfall in climate-related expenditure compared to the target;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Clara Aguilera

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. ***Regrets*** the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Amendment

3. ***Rejects*** the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Ivan David, Gilles Lebreton, Maxette Pirbakas, Angelo Ciocca, Mara Bizzotto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. ***Regrets*** the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for

Amendment

3. ***Strongly opposes*** the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for

the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

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Or. en

Amendment 10

Juan Ignacio Zoido Álvarez

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

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3. Regrets the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Amendment

3. Regrets the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; ***in this regard, the Commission should ensure that the payments for this sector will not be reduced;*** regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Siegfried Mureşan

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

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the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Krzysztof Jurgiel

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Regrets the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Amendment

3. Regrets the reduction in appropriations proposed by the Commission for producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector (- EUR 14,6 million), which could negatively impact their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector **and suggests allocating funds in the section 'Other measures for pigmeat, poultry, eggs, beekeeping, other animal products' of EUR 25 million to support the poultry sector** as it suffers from unfair trade distortion with Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 13

Peter Jahr, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider

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their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion *with Ukraine*;

their growing contribution to rebalance the bargaining power in the food supply chain; regrets the absence of appropriations for the poultry meat sector as it suffers from unfair trade distortion;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Giuseppe Milazzo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Regrets the lack of compensation for the reduction of appropriations proposed by the Commission for fruit and vegetable producers in the Union, a sector facing a serious crisis, due to phytophagous or pathological agents such as the Tristeza virus for oranges, the Mal secco for lemons, Tuta absoluta for tomatoes and Xylella fastidiosa for olive trees; asks, therefore that, despite the reductions in appropriations, a citrus funding plan is envisaged in order to support the costs of reconversion of the current citrus and olive groves with varieties of the same plants that are more resistant allowing a real relaunch of the sector;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Siegfried Mureşan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

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Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission

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proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector *and other sectors* in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Or. en

Amendment 16

Peter Jahr, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider, Norbert Lins

Draft opinion

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4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s *potential* withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Jérémy Decerle, Irène Tolleret

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4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned

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4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; *stresses that*

that that sector will face additional stress from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur;

United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union will also have a significant negative impact across several agricultural sectors in the European Union; is concerned that Union producers will face additional stress from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Anne Sander, Mairead McGuinness

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to 'Other measures for beef and veal' in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that ***that sector will face*** additional stress ***from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur;***

Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to 'Other measures for beef and veal' in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that ***the trade agreement between the Union and Mercosur will create*** additional stress ***for these agricultural sectors and asks therefore the Commission to set out in detail by the end of 2019 the content of the EUR 1 billion Union support plan announced on 28 June 2019, aimed at enabling sensitive agricultural sectors in the Union to cope with the potential negative impact of this agreement, in the event that it is ratified;***

Or. en

Amendment 19
Anne Sander

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; ***is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;***

Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the ***beef sector in Ireland*** in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; ***asks the Commission to propose a support plan for all the Union agricultural sectors likely to be affected by the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union and extend this plan to affected Member States according to their degree of exposure; considers that, in order to be effective, this plan must include structural measures aimed at strengthening the organisation of the sectors and promoting the diversification of trade flows;***

Or. en

Amendment 20
Clara Aguilera

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. ***Welcomes*** the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to ***support the sector in case of*** market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; ***is concerned that that sector will face*** additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Amendment

4. ***Considers that*** the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ ***should be extended to all sectors concerned and all Member States*** in order to ***face*** market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union and ***the*** additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur; ***with regard to the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur, considers that a proper impact assessment, sector by sector and Member State by Member State, should be carried out before the entry into force of this trade agreement and that safeguard***

measures, including a budgetary contingency plan, should be established;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

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4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the ***Irish*** sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur. ***Nevertheless, asks the Commission to consider additional allocations for other Member States whose beef exports would be affected by Brexit;***

Or. en

Amendment 22

Ivan David, Gilles Lebreton, Maxette Pirbakas, Angelo Ciocca, Mara Bizzotto

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade ***agreement*** with

Amendment

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade ***agreements***

Mercosur;

especially with Mercosur, Canada and the possible conclusion of an agreement with the United States of America;

Or. en

Amendment 23

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. **Welcomes** the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur;

Amendment

4. **Notes** the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom’s withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union’s trade agreement with Mercosur; ***insists that, to ensure coherence with climate objectives, support for livestock sectors should not be without condition, and should prioritise those production methods that benefit the climate, environment and biodiversity, such as extensive, pasture-based livestock production;***

Or. en

Amendment 24

Bert-Jan Ruissen

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the Commission proposal to allocate EUR 50 million to ‘Other measures for beef and veal’ in order

Amendment

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to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur;

to support the sector in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union; is concerned that that sector will face additional stress from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur; *asks for further appropriations to be allocated to measures in other sectors in case of market difficulties linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union;*

Or. en

Amendment 25

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Highlights the budgetary inefficiency in supporting sensitive sectors whilst at the same time opening them up to further competition and risk of market instability, in particular through bilateral free trade agreements; notes in addition the long-term erosion of traditional own resources in the Union budget, caused notably by the decrease in customs duties as a result of free trade agreements;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Juan Ignacio Zoido Álvarez

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Takes note of the proposal of the Commission to assist farmers with a

financial support package of up EUR 1 billion in the event of market disturbance from the Union's trade agreement with Mercosur. Insists that those funds should not be extracted from any existing agricultural budget line;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4c. Asks the Commission to also consider additional support for other sectors, such as wine or fruits and vegetables, to help them overcome the trade damages linked to Brexit, and to boost the promotion campaigns in third countries in order to open and to consolidate new market opportunities;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4d. Is concerned by the current crisis in the sugar sector following the elimination of the quota system and by the recent announcement of eight factory closures in the Union; therefore urges the Commission to support private storage in order to contribute to the improvement of the market situation and to consider the possibility of introducing accompanying

measures for farmers and processors affected by those closures;

Or. en

Amendment 29

Anne Sander

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4e. Regrets the lack of funds allocated to support the sugar sector currently in great difficulty; considers that, in the absence of intervention by the public authorities, private actors must be allowed to take private initiatives for regulating production; proposes in this context that the Commission assess in the light of the new production campaign the possibility of triggering budget neutral measures, available under Article 222 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a} authorising farmers and their organisations to enter into collective agreements in order to withdraw from the market, store or reduce their production in a concerted manner;

^{1a} Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22).

Or. en

Amendment 30
Paolo De Castro, Pina Picierno

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4f. Welcomes the increased funding proposed by the Commission for promotion measures, which confirms the effectiveness of the improvements made by the last reform; considers that promotion measures are crucial to expand the share of Union exports on markets across the world;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle, Elsi Katainen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4g. Is of the opinion that the Commission should keep on reinforcing the promotion campaigns to open new markets for quality products;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 h (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4h. Regrets the absence of support to farmers for measures, in particular in milk and dairy sector, which face

continuing market difficulties due to the Russian embargo;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Bert-Jan Ruissen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 i (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4i. Recalls that for the last five years European agricultural sectors are still suffering from the effects of the Russian embargo; stresses that any additional effects on agricultural trade flows linked to the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union might cause further disturbance, and asks for additional appropriations for exceptional measures where needed;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Benoît Biteau
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 j (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4j. Notes the adverse weather conditions that European agriculture has faced over recent years, and which are forecast to become more frequent and intense due to climate change; calls for the mobilisation of the agricultural crisis reserve, to support farmers affected by drought this year; stresses, however, that derogations from environmental requirements are likely to prove

counterproductive, as they may increase susceptibility to drought;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Peter Jahr, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider, Norbert Lins

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Believes that the Union can make a vital contribution to the promotion of healthy eating habits, especially among children, and therefore considers it essential to make full use of the ceilings provided for in relation to the Union school schemes in the current regulation; therefore calls on the Member States to strengthen their national programmes to ensure full utilisation of the maximum available allocations (EUR 250 million);

Amendment

5. Believes that the Union can make a vital contribution to the promotion of healthy eating habits, especially among children, and therefore considers it essential to make full use of the ceilings provided for in relation to the Union school schemes in the current regulation; therefore calls on the Member States to strengthen their national programmes to ensure full utilisation of the maximum available allocations (EUR 250 million) *by establishing less bureaucratic programmes;*

Or. en

Amendment 36

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Siegfried Mureşan

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Believes that the Union can make a vital contribution to the promotion of healthy eating habits, especially among children, and therefore considers it essential to make full use of the ceilings provided for in relation to the Union school schemes in the current regulation; therefore calls on the Member States to strengthen

Amendment

5. Believes that the Union can make a vital contribution to the promotion of healthy eating habits, especially among children, and therefore considers it essential to make full use of the ceilings provided for in relation to the Union school schemes *and to develop alternative schemes for sustainable consumption* in

their national programmes to ensure full utilisation of the maximum available allocations (EUR 250 million);

the current regulation; therefore calls on the Member States to strengthen their national programmes to ensure full utilisation of the maximum available allocations (EUR 250 million);

Or. en

Amendment 37

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors.

Amendment

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions, ***in particular through agroecological research, with a whole agroecosystem approach***, in the agricultural and rural development sectors; ***underlines the importance of practical applicability of results at farm level and the role of agricultural extension services; highlights that research policy should maintain coherence with environmental, climate, biodiversity, health and welfare policy objectives, and incentivise and support initiatives tailored to the needs of smallholdings without economies of scale, so that they may benefit from new technologies***;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors.

Amendment

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food ***and food security***; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Siegfried Mureşan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors.

Amendment

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors, ***in particular to foster the smart village initiatives***;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Bert-Jan Ruissen

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors.

Amendment

6. Welcomes the increased support for research and innovation dedicated to the supply of safe and high quality food; stresses that it is essential that funds earmarked for research in the agri-food sector, in particular from the Horizon 2020 budget, remain fully available as such in order to stimulate innovation and smart solutions in the agricultural and rural development sectors; ***underlines the need to enhance the link between research and practice, by involving primary producers and disseminate knowledge and best practices;***

Or. en

Amendment 41

Peter Jahr, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider, Norbert Lins

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on the Commission to provide sufficient financial support for the further uptake of smart and innovative solutions in the agricultural sector, given their proven environmental benefits and need for greater agricultural efficiency; considers that precision farming and the use of digitisation should be further analysed and promoted;

Or. en

Amendment 42

Juan Ignacio Zoido Álvarez

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Taking into account that the Union remains vulnerable to outbreaks of animal and plant diseases, deplores the 60 % reduction in the appropriations of the fund for emergency measures related to animal and plant health;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Ivo Hristov, Carmen Avram

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6c. Notes with serious concern the severe impact of the spread of African swine fever to several Member States and the great number of outbreaks registered since the beginning of 2019; is concerned that big pig holdings have been affected with tens of thousands of animals being culled; is therefore of the opinion that the Fund for emergency measures related to animal and plant health should be increased;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Siegfried Mureşan, Asim Ademov

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6d. Regrets the lack of allocations for preventing and combating African swine

fever, underlining that the Union budget for 2019 allocated EUR 28 million for this purpose; stresses that at least a similar allocation should be included in Union budget for 2020;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Ivo Hristov, Carmen Avram

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6e. Takes note that third countries have invested in research for developing a vaccine against African swine fever (ASF); is of the opinion that the Union should be investing in research and development of a vaccine, which would help eradicate the spread and occurrence of ASF in the shortest possible time;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle, Elsi Katainen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6f. Encourages Member States to increase the support for establishing young farmers, in line with the objective of a better contribution to the generational renewal of farmers in the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller, Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Jérémy Decerle, Irène Tolleret

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6g. Highlights the importance of rural development commitments and spending for agri-environmental measures and the wider rural economy, particularly the importance of initiatives to target and support young farmers;

Or. en

Amendment 48

Benoît Biteau

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 h (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6h. Notes that the European Council and the European Parliament endorsed the mainstreaming of climate action throughout the current MFF 2014-2020; recalls the 2016 ECA report¹ on climate expenditure, which states that, “in the areas of agriculture and rural development there has been no significant shift towards climate action, and not all potential opportunities for financing climate-related action have been fully explored”;

Or. en

¹ https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR16_31/SR_CLIMATE_EN.pdf

Amendment 49
Benoît Biteau
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 i (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6i. Stresses that climate mainstreaming requires consistency and coherence, both within the CAP itself, and between the Union's agricultural and trade policies; notes that CAP payments, in particular voluntary coupled support for livestock production, should be subject to the necessary conditions to ensure that payments support only those production methods which are positive for climate, environment and biodiversity;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Martin Buschmann, Petros Kokkalis

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 j (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6j. Calls for the CAP budget to allocate further funding for the measures for improvements in agricultural sector in the fields of socio-economic and environmental sustainability, animal welfare and biodiversity; calls for a creation of measurable milestones on these improvements, with regular monitoring by the Commission and reporting to Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 51

Anne Sander

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 k (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6k. *Welcomes the funding of new pilot projects which are essential for reflection on the future of the common agricultural policy, namely projects to develop a toolbox for integrated pest management for farmers, to promote 'Smart Villages' and to set up an operational programme in the livestock sector;*

Or. en

Amendment 52

Martin Buschmann, Anja Hazekamp, Petros Kokkalis

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 l (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6l. *Calls for the CAP budget to stop supporting breeding of bulls for bullfighting;*

Or. en

Amendment 53

Paolo De Castro, Pina Picierno

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 m (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6m. *Asks for the maintenance of the appropriations for POSEI programmes at the maximum levels laid down in Union law, underlining the relevance of those*

programmes for the resilience of the agricultural producers and highlights the fragile economic situation of the outermost regions, which are still strongly hit by the crisis.

Or. en