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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on certain parts of Italy that are in danger of lasting underdevelopment

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# Motion for a European parliament resolution on certain parts of Italy that are in danger of lasting underdevelopment

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, according to the latest SVIMEZ report, 'the south is now in great danger of becoming an industrial wasteland, which means that the lack of human, business and financial resources might prevent it from benefiting from any possible recovery and turn a cyclical crisis into lasting underdevelopment';
- B. whereas, according to the above-mentioned report, the number of poor households in Italy rose by 390 000 between 2011 and 2014 with an increase of 37.8 % in the south and 34.4 % in the north and centre;
- C. whereas employment levels in the south have returned to their 1977 levels;
- 1. Notes that, from 2000 to 2013, Italy was the country with the lowest growth rate in Europe, the figures for the south of Italy being less than half those for of Greece;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to put in place the exceptional economic measures that are necessary and urgent in order to to revitalise the economy and trade, create employment and combat poverty, thus preventing certain regions from sinking into lasting underdevelopment, possibly jeopardising recovery in the entire country.

