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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the record tax paid by enterprises in Italy

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# Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the record tax paid by enterprises in Italy

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas according to a survey carried out by *InfoCamere* on a sample of 234 000 enterprises who filed company accounts for the financial year 2014 'there is no sign of any overall reduction in tax pressure, despite the many political pronouncements and the many small-scale tax breaks granted in recent years';
- B. whereas the tax rate stands at 32.8% of profits on average, with this figure rising to 36.4% for commercial enterprises and 40% for small and medium-sized enterprises in large urban centres;
- C. whereas the statistics relate to pre-tax results, or in other words the amount enterprises have left after paying welfare contributions, making severance payments and paying various direct corporate taxes (Ires) and regional taxes (Irap);
- D. whereas there can be no doubt that the so-called 'golden rules' of the fiscal compact have contributed to unduly increasing tax pressure;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, given its powers in this field, within the meaning and to the ends set out in Article 3 TEU and Articles 2 to 5, 119 to 144 and 282 to 284 TFEU, to adopt the necessary measures to reduce tax pressure and promote the recovery of an economy which has now been in recession for far too long.

