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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on digitisation and pauperisation

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the establishment sometimes tends towards political fiction when trying to anticipate major trends on the Member States' job markets;
- B. whereas, while digitisation of the economy is touted as an opportunity for enterprises, it presents a number of challenges for employment in the future;
- C. whereas, as happens with every revolution, productivity should be increased, but there is still a high risk that many jobs will be lost and that workers will need to retrain;
- D. whereas in a fast-changing economy ('Uberisation', digitisation and new types of labour relations), poverty continues to rise;
- E. whereas, as a result, the future of national welfare systems is at risk and the principle of social justice is under serious threat;
- 1. Calls on the Commission not to burden Member States with additional expenditure as regards a possible universal basic income, or, at the very least, for each Member State to be able to finance its own universal basic income independently, at the national level.