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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Amendment 1**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 7 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**- having regard to the joint statement for  
a payment plan 2015-2016 agreed on 19  
May 2015,**

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

A. whereas the 2017 budget ***will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the*** situation in emerging markets and geopolitical tensions;

A. whereas the 2017 budget ***should enforce the path towards economic growth and job creation in the context of a fragile*** situation in emerging markets and geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the situation in emerging markets ***and*** geopolitical tensions;

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the situation in emerging markets, geopolitical tensions ***and absurd economic decisions taken by European***

*countries and in particular in the Eurozone ;*

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the *situation in emerging* markets and geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the *global* markets *turmoil* and geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the situation in emerging markets *and* geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the situation in emerging markets, *the difficult fiscal position in a number of Member States, and on-going* geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 6**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the *situation in emerging* markets and geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

A. whereas the 2017 budget will have to face a context of fragile economic recovery jeopardised by the *global* markets *turmoil* and geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 7**

**Inese Vaidere**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the *ongoing* refugee crisis;

*Amendment*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the *progressing* refugee crisis;

Or. en

**Amendment 8**

**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the ongoing refugee crisis;

*Amendment*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the ongoing refugee crisis *caused by the irresponsible attitude of the German government* ;

Or. en

**Amendment 9**

**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the ongoing refugee crisis;

*Amendment*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will be affected by the ongoing **migration and** refugee crisis;

Or. en

**Amendment 10**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will **be affected by** the ongoing refugee crisis;

*Amendment*

B. whereas the 2017 budget will **have to be increased in order to properly address** the ongoing refugee crisis;

Or. en

**Amendment 11**

**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***B a. whereas the 2017 budget will be impacted by the increased terrorist threats and the implementation of the shared agenda between the Union and Member States aimed at achieving an EU area of freedom, security and justice;***

Or. en

**Amendment 12**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**

on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*B a. whereas in order to offset the weak economic recovery, the new latent crisis trends and the increased divergence in the EU it is necessary to provide an adequate increase to the Union's budget to ensure the adequate level of resources in next year's budget with particular emphasis on the programs and projects aimed at boosting growth and decent employment, eradicating poverty, investing in smart, sustainable, green growth and development; underlines that contributions to this increase should result from an increase in the payments made by Member States with the highest GNI and the highest per capita income, correcting the current biased and unfair system of contribution keys; reiterates that it is imperative to increase support to Member States, especially those facing economic recession, for investment in infrastructure, social facilities, research, innovation and development;*

Or. en

**Amendment 13**

**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*B a. whereas the 2017 budget will be impacted by the increased terrorist threats and the implementation of the shared agenda between the Union and Member States aimed at achieving an EU area of freedom, security and justice;*

**Amendment 14**  
**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C**

*Motion for a resolution*

C. whereas the 2017 budget will coincide with the mid-term revision of the multiannual financial framework (MFF);

*Amendment*

C. whereas the 2017 budget will coincide with the mid-term ***review and possible*** revision of the multiannual financial framework (MFF);

Or. en

**Amendment 15**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***C a. Whereas the huge EU external trade surplus makes the EU economically dependent on global developments***

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Alfred Sant**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***C a. Whereas the regional socioeconomic cleavage in the EU continues to increase especially vis-à-vis the Southern periphery***



*of the Union, with an economic crisis which has been dramatically reducing the ability of manoeuvre of the different national and regional budgets of the poorer Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph -1 (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*-1. Notes that the overall annual ceiling for the 2017 Budget limits commitment appropriations to EUR 154.5 billion in current prices; recalls that the purpose of the MFF is to deliver an adequate level of predictability for preparing and implementing medium and long-term investments;*

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven *to be a crucial resource* in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated *during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020*, such as the migration and refugee crisis *or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven *completely inefficient* in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated *by blind European leaders*, such as the migration and refugee crisis *that should have been at the center of attention as soon as 2012. National budgets were a natural tool to deal with all these issues, but they were irresponsibly constrained by a German-*

*has led to an investment gap;*

*led coalition of orthodox economic hawks*  
;

Or. en

**Amendment 19**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, **and such as the agriculture crisis** while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

Or. en

**Amendment 20**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of

investment levels has led to an *investment gap*;

*consumption and* investment levels has led to an *aggregate demand gap*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 21**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 1**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

1. *Notes* that the Union budget has proven to be *a crucial* resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that *had* not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels *has led* to an investment gap;

###### *Amendment*

1. *Highlights that the Union Budget should be used in such a way to give priority to policies of real convergence, integration and cohesion, based on social progress and solidarity, safeguarding and promoting decent, quality and stable job creation, sustainable use of natural resources and protection of the environment*; stresses that the Union budget has proven to be *scarce despite its potential to become an important* resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that *were* not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of *public and private* investment levels *led to an increase of inequalities as well as* to an investment gap;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 22**

**Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood ***producing*** a number of serious ***emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;***

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the ***EFSI, the*** migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood ***causing*** a number of serious ***challenges and emergencies.***

Or. en

**Amendment 23**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis ***or*** geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis, ***current terrorist threats and*** geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

Or. en

**Amendment 24**  
**Alfred Sant**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been ***necessarily*** anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis or geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

Or. en

**Amendment 25**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis ***or*** geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

*Amendment*

1. Notes that the Union budget has proven to be a crucial resource in tackling recent crises and responding to needs that had not been anticipated during the negotiation of the MFF 2014-2020, such as the migration and refugee crisis, ***current terrorist threats and*** geopolitical tensions in the European neighbourhood producing a number of serious emergencies, while in the Union a continuous lowering of investment levels has led to an investment gap;

Or. en

**Amendment 26**  
**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***1 a. Emphasises that the 2017 EU budget should be able to: manage multiple crises simultaneously without doing so at the expense of needed instruments or stalling; remain flexible by focusing more funds in less but bigger priorities; have positive and negative priorities, whereby successful funding instruments are accelerated and ill-operating ones are being dissolved in order to redirect resources elsewhere;***

Or. en

**Amendment 27**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European***

***deleted***

*Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved;*

Or. en

**Amendment 28**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved;

*Amendment*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved, *particularly by tackling the own resources system reform;*

Or. en

## Amendment 29

Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 2

##### *Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, *invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved;*

##### *Amendment*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; *stresses, in this context, the necessity of all institutions exercising budgetary restraint when drawing up their estimates of Union expenditure for the following financial year, ensuring the budget is prioritised in the areas of need and that a sufficient margin is available to respond to unforeseen circumstances; believes that the mid-term review of the MFF provides an opportunity to examine institutional differences in the calculation of payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve), and for a resolution to be found in the interests of budgetary stability and predictability;*

Or. en

## Amendment 30

Alfred Sant



**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved;

*Amendment*

2. Underlines that the **limited** capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects these issues to be resolved;

Or. en

**Amendment 31**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF

*Amendment*

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negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, *invites* the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that *connection* its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects *these issues* to be resolved;

negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions will be insufficient to address the problem; in this context, *urges* the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that *context* its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; expects *this issue* to be resolved *in the context of the MFF mid-term revision*;

Or. en

## Amendment 32

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 2

##### *Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions *will be* insufficient to address

##### *Amendment*

2. Underlines that the capacity of the Union budget to tackle these crises arises *so far* principally from the use of all means available agreed upon in the MFF negotiations, and particularly the use of special instruments such as the flexibility instrument; recalls Parliament's decisive role in shaping those instruments during the MFF negotiations; highlights, however, that if the crises continue to worsen even the full activation of the existing flexibility provisions *is already* insufficient to address

the **problem**; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; ***expects these issues to be resolved***;

the **problems**; in this context, invites the Council to reconsider its position on the question of budgeting the MFF special instruments so as to alleviate the constraints weighing on the Union budget ***and to propose a new budget line to adequately respond to the refugee crisis***; reiterates in that connection its long-standing position that the payment appropriations for the special instruments (the flexibility instrument, the EU Solidarity Fund, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund and the Emergency Aid Reserve) should be calculated over and above the MFF ceilings, as is the case for commitments; ***considers that a thorough revision of the MFF should be taken as an opportunity to better address shortcoming key issues and the upcoming crisis within the Budget of the Union, to secure a reasonable level of flexibility and to establish higher ceilings for most demanded EU programmes Budget lines, with an emphasis on social development***;

Or. en

### **Amendment 33** **Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 3**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

3. ***Notes*** the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), ***which*** indicates a modest recovery; ***stresses, however, that this recovery*** remains ***worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved***, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global

##### *Amendment*

3. ***Regrets that*** the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015) indicates a modest recovery, ***while the European economic situation*** remains ***extremely difficult***, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to

trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 34** **Sophie Montel**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 3**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; ***stresses, however,*** that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, ***the need to tackle the refugee crisis,*** and persisting geopolitical tensions;

##### *Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery ***despite an aggressive monetary policy that strongly weakened the currency while oil prices were going into historically low levels ; adds that this catastrophe in spite of extraordinarily good conditions signs the failure of the euro and the austerity that accompanies it ; stresses*** that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 35** **Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***modest recovery***; stresses, however, that ***this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with*** long-term and very long-term unemployment ***on the rise***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***recovery which is still below the growth potential of the European Union***; stresses, however, that ***the growth fundamentals have to be enhanced in order to boost job creation taking also into account that*** long-term and very long-term unemployment ***are still at worrying levels***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the ***migrant and*** refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 36**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise, ***combined with social challenges and difficulties for the European Union to restructure its industrial branches***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

**Amendment 37****Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 3***Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak, ***too dependent on exports*** and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 38****Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 3***Motion for a resolution*

3. ***Notes*** the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***modest*** recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery ***remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt*** return to full employment ***to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise***; notes,

*Amendment*

3. ***Welcomes*** the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***gradual*** recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery ***must be built upon in order to ensure a*** return to full employment; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies

furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

### **Amendment 39**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 3**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***modest*** recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

#### *Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a ***low*** recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise, ***notably in the Union's poorest regions and among the youth; regrets the persistence and the aggravation of the disparities in terms of economic development between the European regions and between the European countries, as well as the deepening of the gap between the poorest and the richest Europeans***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 40**  
**Claudia Tapardel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise, ***especially among young people***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

**Amendment 41**  
**Alfred Sant**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to

*Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term and very long-term unemployment on the rise ***and with an ever increasing deficit in the EU's goal of socioeconomic convergence***; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global



tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

## **Amendment 42**

**Nils Torvalds, Gérard Deprez**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 3**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term *and very long-term* unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

##### *Amendment*

3. Notes the Commission's European Economic Forecast (Autumn 2015), which indicates a modest recovery; stresses, however, that this recovery remains worryingly weak and too slow for a prompt return to full employment to be achieved, with long-term unemployment on the rise; notes, furthermore, the appearance of new challenges, such as the *risk of* slowdown in emerging market economies and global trade, with particular pressure arising from volatility on Chinese markets, the need to tackle the refugee crisis, and persisting geopolitical tensions;

Or. en

## **Amendment 43**

**Paul Rübig**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 4**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public

##### *Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public

investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

**and private** investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

Or. en

**Amendment 44**  
**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. *Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;*

*Amendment*

4. **Regrets** the Commission's Annual Growth Survey **package** for 2016, **and considers the proposed policy mix of structural reform and fiscal responsibility as a reiteration of the same strategy prescribed in all the previous Annual Growth Surveys, which failed to deliver any meaningful signs of economic recovery;** believes that those elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017, **not to repeat the same errors, identifying instead new priorities with a different economic perspective;**

Or. en

**Amendment 45**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 *insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;*

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy, *after several years of misguided and destructive policies, that are still to this day putting countries on their knees, and Greece is the perfect example of such criminal mistakes;* believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017, *despite its relative insignificance and therefore capacity to change the course of European economies and insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context.*

Or. en

**Amendment 46**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including *a coordinated increase in* public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting *private* investment, including *through a better coordination between private and* public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should

priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

Or. en

**Amendment 47**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget, *that is also the cornerstone for the Euro preservation*;

Or. en

**Amendment 48**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting **investment, including** a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting **aggregate internal demand, as well as** a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;

Or. en

**Amendment 49**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; **calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;**

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context;

**Amendment 50****Tamás Deutsch****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 4***Motion for a resolution*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy; *believes that those two elements should be taken into consideration in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017 insofar as this should help identify priorities within an economic context; calls, consequently, for more synergies between the Union dimension of the European semester for economic policy coordination and the Union budget;*

*Amendment*

4. Notes, additionally, the Commission's Annual Growth Survey for 2016; strongly believes that boosting investment, including a coordinated increase in public investment with a focus on the Europe 2020 targets, is a proper policy response with a view to a more balanced economic policy;

**Amendment 51****Esteban González Pons****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 5***Motion for a resolution*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, *and supports* the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform

*Amendment*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, *takes note of* the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform

Support Service;

Support Service *giving to the Member States de opportunity to take into consideration this recommendations in defining economic policies and connecting cohesion policy's instruments with CSRs, but emphasizes that the multiannual and long-term nature of programmes and objectives under the ESI Funds run contrary to the annual cycle of the European Semester;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 52**

**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 5**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

5. **Welcomes**, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and **supports** the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service;

##### *Amendment*

5. **Regrets**, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and **strongly objects** the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service;

Or. en

## **Amendment 53**

**Sophie Montel**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 5**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

5. **Welcomes**, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities

##### *Amendment*

5. **Refuses**, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities

highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and ***supports the proposal to use Union funding programmes*** for the ***Commission's Structural Reform Support Service***;

highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and ***instead wishes that countries get their money back to fund whichever priorities they deem important for the future of their country*** ;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 54**

**Pina Picierno, Daniele Viotti**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 5**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

5. ***Welcomes***, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, ***and*** supports the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service;

###### *Amendment*

5. ***Notes***, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations; supports the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service, ***and invites the Commission to guarantee that these funds will be used according to the scopes of intervention and the specific objectives of each fund, in accordance with their goals based on the Treaty, including the economic, social and territorial cohesion***;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 55**

**Tamás Deutsch**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 5**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities

###### *Amendment*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities



highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, *and supports the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service*;

highlighted in the country-specific recommendations;

Or. en

**Amendment 56**  
**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, *and supports the proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service*;

*Amendment*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations *through operational programmes in member states and existing technical assistance instruments*;

Or. en

**Amendment 57**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and supports the *proposal to use Union funding programmes for the Commission's Structural Reform Support Service*;

*Amendment*

5. Welcomes, in this context, the Commission's efforts to enhance the use of the European Structural and Investment Funds in support of key priorities highlighted in the country-specific recommendations, and supports the *establishment of the Structural Reform Support Programme*;

**Amendment 58**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

***6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;***

*Amendment*

***deleted***

**Amendment 59**

**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

**6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which *have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden* and to *treat it as an adjustment variable*;**

*Amendment*

**6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of *disastrous* Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which *should be revised in order to remove existing constraints on Member States' ability to make full use of all the fiscal policy tools; invokes for an immediate exemption from existing budgetary rules of necessary public expenditures to deal with unsustainable levels of unemployment, absolute poverty and inequalities, and to cope with emerging security threats and refugee***

*inflows;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 60**

**Sophie Montel**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

6. ***Regrets*** that the Union budget ***has*** in recent years ***been a collateral victim of*** Member States' ***fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;***

##### *Amendment*

6. ***Wishes*** that the ***trend in the*** Union budget ***that*** in recent years ***has been impacted by*** Member States' ***austerity policies be accentuated, as national budgets only are legitimate in democracies ;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 61**

**Siegfried Mureşan**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

6. ***Regrets*** that the ***Union*** budget ***has*** in recent years ***been a collateral victim of*** Member States' ***fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution*** to the Union budget ***as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;***

##### *Amendment*

6. ***Underlines*** that the ***EU*** budget, ***as an investment budget, can bring particularly strong EU added value by boosting growth, competitiveness and job creation in the Member States; draws the attention that Member States contributions*** to the Union budget ***must not be treated*** as an adjustment variable ***subject to macro-economic conditions;***

Or. en

**Amendment 62**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;

*Amendment*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable, ***and calls, in this context, for further flexibility regarding expenditures made by the Member States in specific fields such as defense and investments in the framework of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI);***

Or. en

**Amendment 63**  
**Younous Omarjee, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;

*Amendment*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable; ***considers that the contributions to the EU Budget from the Member States should not be accounted when calculating Member States' structural deficits;***

## **Amendment 64**

**Nils Torvalds, Gérard Deprez**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts ***aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact***, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;

##### *Amendment*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;

Or. en

## **Amendment 65**

**Alfred Sant**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;

##### *Amendment*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable; ***Emphasises that one size fits all calculations based on GDP are not always necessarily the best indicators when it comes to calculating European Union budget commitments through its funding tools especially when dedicating funding for isolated and/or peripheral regions;***

**Amendment 66**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. *Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;*

*Amendment*

6. *Welcomes the fiscal and budgetary efforts of Member States such as Ireland, Spain and the Baltic States aimed at consolidating their national debts and at boosting growth and competitiveness; calls for a sharing of best practices among Member States in order to achieve full recovery from the economic crisis and to remedy to the structural insufficiencies in the Member States' legislations and administrations; reiterates the added value of the Union budget in terms of synergies and economies of scale;*

**Amendment 67**  
**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been *a collateral victim of* Member States' fiscal *consolidation efforts* aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, *which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;*

*Amendment*

6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been *too dependent on some* Member States' fiscal *crises and delayed measures* aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact *as well as responsible and sustainable fiscal policies, which highlights the need to develop a system of truly own resources for the EU budget;*

## **Amendment 68**

**Reimer Böge**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

***6. Regrets that the Union budget has in recent years been a collateral victim of Member States' fiscal consolidation efforts aimed at complying with their obligations under the Stability and Growth Pact, which have led them to consider their contribution to the Union budget as a burden and to treat it as an adjustment variable;***

##### *Amendment*

***6. Welcomes the fiscal and budgetary efforts of Member States such as Ireland, Spain and the Baltic States aimed at consolidating their national debts and at boosting growth and competitiveness; calls for a sharing of best practices among Member States in order to achieve full recovery from the economic crisis and to remedy to the structural insufficiencies in the Member States' legislations and administrations; reiterates the added value of the Union budget in terms of synergies and economies of scale;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 69**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 6 a (new)**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

***6 a. Notes and regrets that corporate tax avoidance has caused huge losses of tax income for member states, and therefore a reduction of their contributions to the EU budget. Moreover, such unfair tax competition in some cases means GDP transfer from one to other MS and GNI transfer to non EU tax havens, thus reducing aggregate member state contributions to the EU budget.***

##### *Amendment*

Or. en

**Amendment 70**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***6 b. Urges the High Level group on Own Resources to direct their proposals to increasing real EU own resources without decreasing member states' tax incomes, as would be the case with an EU element corporate taxation coupled with a common consolidated corporate tax base.***

Or. en

**Amendment 71**

**Inese Vaidere**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, ***which has further impacted*** on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 ***and continues into 2016*** with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum; ***recalls further impact*** on the internal crisis ***and the existence of the Schengen area***; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en



**Amendment 72**  
**Esteban González Pons**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; ***recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis***; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years ***such as unemployment crisis, migration crisis, Russian embargo, agricultural crisis, etc.***; ***regrets that the Union budget is unable to revert the majority of these problems in the Union and***; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en

**Amendment 73**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that ***the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies***;

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that ***to face this threat, national States were disarmed by years of European reverie made up of a borderless world and an ideology promoting mass migration of labor forces as the regulator of imbalances that currencies could no***

*longer be; calls for the end of Schengen  
and the return of national borders;*

Or. en

**Amendment 74**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years, ***among them the agriculture crisis***; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en

**Amendment 75**  
**Vladimír Maňka**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum,

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, ***or***

which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

*to improve their economic situation,* which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 76**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

##### *Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies; ***calls on the commission to Draft a mechanism to strongly sanction Member States that violate the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the principles of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 77**

**Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

**7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;**

*Amendment*

**7. Underlines that a holistic solution has to be found for the challenge of unprecedented Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants fleeing to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; recalls that Union budget provided immediate response to the crisis as part of a European solution to overcome this emergency;**

Or. en

**Amendment 78**

**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

**7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;**

*Amendment*

**7. Recalls the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; highlights that, despite the Commission's migration action plan, the refugee crisis that knows the Union but also the neighbouring countries of the Syrian conflict has not been solved yet and has even been accelerated in 2015; deplores that a long-term and sustainable European solution has still not been found; stresses the need that the EU budget should be strongly revised upwards in order to be able to effectively finance the implementation of EU policies dealing with this crisis;**

Or. en

**Amendment 79**  
**Tamás Deutsch**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; ***the EU milk and pig sectors have suffered a sharp fall in farm gate prices which is caused by the serious negative effects of the Russian agricultural export ban and the global over-production, so these vital sectors are also in crises;*** underlines that the Union budget should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en

**Amendment 80**  
**Alfred Sant**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been ***found*** for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget

*Amendment*

7. Highlights the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; recalls that a solution has still not been ***agreed upon*** for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines that the Union budget

should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

should be used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;

Or. en

**Amendment 81**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. ***Highlights*** the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; ***recalls that a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee crisis, which escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis; underlines*** that the Union budget should be ***used as part of a European solution to overcome these emergencies;***

*Amendment*

7. ***Recalls*** the fact that the Union has had to face numerous crises in recent years; ***highlights that, despite the Commission's migration action plan, the refugee crisis that knows the Union but also the neighbouring countries of the Syrian conflict has not been solved yet and has even been accelerated in 2015; deplores that a long-term and sustainable European solution has still not been found; stresses the need*** that the EU budget should be ***strongly revised upwards in order to be able to effectively finance the implementation of EU policies dealing with this crisis;***

Or. en

**Amendment 82**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***7 a. Stresses the importance of budgetary instruments such as the Internal Security Fund in order to address the most crucial security challenges, strengthen cross-border operational cooperation and ensure preventive measures aimed at***

*tackling the root causes of extremism  
given the serious terrorist threats;*

Or. en

**Amendment 83**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*7 a. Stresses the importance of budgetary instruments such as the Internal Security Fund in order to address the most crucial security challenges, strengthen cross-border operational cooperation and ensure preventive measures aimed at tackling the root causes of extremism given the serious terrorist threats;*

Or. en

**Amendment 84**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to*

*deleted*

*compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;*

Or. en

**Amendment 85**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;

*Amendment*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible; ***Insists on the need to properly apply the scoreboard.***

Or. en

**Amendment 86**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion

*Amendment*

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required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to ***reinforce*** Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility ***through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations*** as much as possible;

required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to ***the*** Horizon 2020 ***programme*** and the Connecting Europe Facility, ***by mitigating any negative impact from the creation of EFSI*** as much as possible;

Or. en

**Amendment 87**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the ***European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI)***, out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;

*Amendment*

8. ***Welcomes the adoption of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI) which serves as one of the main tools for enhancing investments at EU level and will contribute to stimulating the creation of jobs; notes with satisfaction that a significant number of projects and EIF operations have already been approved and encourages Member States and private entities to make full use of the financial resources available through the EFSI***; recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the ***new*** investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the ***EFSI***, out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; ***recalls that the Global Margin for Commitments was fully utilised for this purpose in 2016 and notes that, according to the EFSI legislative financial statement, the***

*Commission foresees a similar scenario for the Draft Budget 2017*; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;

Or. en

**Amendment 88**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; *reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible*;

*Amendment*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; *notes the first examples of synergy between the EFSI and Horizon2020; calls on the Commission to actively facilitate synergies between different EU funds, including ESIF, Horizon2020, COSME and EFSI, by using all new regulatory possibilities and setting up a tracking system to identify cases of a combination of EU funding*;

Or. en

**Amendment 89**  
**Alfred Sant**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;

*Amendment*

8. Recalls that the Union budget provides the backbone of the investment plan by making available the EUR 8 billion required in commitment and payment appropriations for the provisioning of the guarantee fund of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), out of which a total of EUR 3.38 billion has already been mobilised in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020, and the Connecting Europe Facility *and the funding for SMEs* through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible;

Or. en

**Amendment 90**

**Xabier Benito Ziluaga, Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***8 a. Stresses that further efforts to increase investment should be made, in particular by developing new financial instruments based upon a new European public investment plan financed by new own resources on the basis of a more harmonised and progressive tax regime;***

Or. en

**Amendment 91**

**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8 a. Notes with satisfaction the high absorption rates of Horizon2020 programmes but is concerned about the worryingly low average success rate of project financing, which does not only leave many excellent projects unfinanced but could discourage participation in the calls for interest; reiterates its commitment to reinforce Horizon 2020 and the Connecting Europe Facility through the annual budgetary procedure, in order to compensate the cuts agreed during the EFSI negotiations as much as possible; calls on Member States to explore possibilities to take over the Horizon2020 projects that received a positive evaluation but cannot be co-financed due to unavailability of budget;**

Or. en

**Amendment 92**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8 a. Stresses that the EU Budget should further facilitate SME's access to markets and funding through its already existing programs such as COSME, since SMEs are the backbone of the EU economy and the main source of jobs across Europe; is convinced that the EU Budget has to step up its contribution towards enhancing economic competitiveness of European enterprises;**

Or. en

**Amendment 93**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***8 a. Reiterates that the Union's future is connected to its power to innovate in key strategic sectors such as aeronautics, energy, space and the digital economy in order to achieve European competitiveness in the global economy; calls for an enhanced funding of EU policies and programmes that support the development of an innovation-friendly environment for businesses and contribute to the success of Europe 2020;***

Or. en

**Amendment 94**  
**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***8 a. Highlights that stable productivity growth and business activity is being achieved through bottom-up processes such as entrepreneurship and training where strengthening of EU funded programmes like Erasmus + or Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs take centre stage, especially in view of the upcoming MFF revision;***

Or. en

**Amendment 95**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***8 a. Reiterates that the Union's future is connected to its power to innovate in key strategic sectors such as aeronautics, energy, space and the digital economy in order to achieve European competitiveness in the global economy; calls for an enhanced funding of EU policies and programmes that support the development of an innovation-friendly environment for businesses and contribute to the success of Europe 2020;***

Or. en

**Amendment 96**  
**Paul Rübig**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people, ***including young migrants coming to the European Union***, the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all

Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

Or. en

### **Amendment 97**

**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 9**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), ***in particular, to be a fundamental*** contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; ***notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption*** capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of

#### *Amendment*

9. Considers ***that*** the European Youth Initiative (YEI), ***could be a*** contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; ***underlines however the necessity to properly evaluate the use or misuse of this set of measures and the real capacity to create new jobs***; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of

a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

Or. en

**Amendment 98**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), *in particular*, to be a *fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;*

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI) to be a *waste of money : the decisive scale to deal with youth unemployment and formation is much more local. The best to deal with it would therefore be to give back their money to national states.*

Or. en



**Amendment 99**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls ***that this objective shall be considered together with the necessity of promoting the young people mobility within the European Union;*** recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

Or. en

**Amendment 100**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; ***and enhancing workers mobility in connection with Erasmus+***, recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

Or. en

**Amendment 101**  
**Gérard Deprez**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative

(YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to 'ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments'; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

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Or. en

## **Amendment 102**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), ***in particular***, to be a ***fundamental contribution to the Union's priority***

*Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI) to be a ***complementary measure to national schemes tackling youth***

*objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship*; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to ‘ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments’; *notes* that the *figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity*; *calls* on the *Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF*;

*unemployment; nevertheless believes that creating a competitive and vibrant economic environment offers the best means of reducing levels of youth unemployment*; recalls the commitment made *to the YEI* by the three institutions to ‘ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments’; *nevertheless, believes* that the *Commission's assessment* on the *implementation* of the YEI *will be vital in determining the future funding needs* of the programme; *calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016*;

Or. en

### **Amendment 103**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union’s priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of

#### *Amendment*

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employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to ‘ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments’; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the commitment made by the three institutions to ‘ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments’; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; ***deeply regrets that during the negotiations of the EU Budget 2016 the YEI financing got halted after the very first year of its implementation while youth unemployment remains at its highest rates in the EU***; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 104** **Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 9**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union’s priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the ***commitment***

##### *Amendment*

9. Considers the European Youth Initiative (YEI), in particular, to be a fundamental contribution to the Union's priority objective for jobs and growth, and therefore reiterates its commitment to continued funding for this programme with a view to scaling it up and thereby offering a greater number of young people the prospect of effectively entering the labour market by receiving a good quality offer of employment, continued education or apprenticeship; recalls the ***joint statement***

*made by the three institutions to ‘ensure appropriate funding via an Amending Budget in 2016, by making use of all available means provided for in the MFF, and primarily of the Global Margin for Commitments’; notes that the figures for implementation indicate full success in terms of absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017, while also laying the groundwork for the search for a permanent source of funding for the YEI as part of the revision of the MFF;*

*of the three institutions on the Budget 2016 that states that 'reducing youth unemployment remains a high and shared political priority, and to this end they reaffirm their determination to make the best possible use of budgetary resources available to tackle it, and in particular the Youth Employment Initiative'; notes that, despite the initial delays in the implementation of this programme and the continuing procrastination to designate authorities for YEI Operational Programmes in many Member States, the current implementation figures indicate a full absorption capacity; calls on the Commission to present its evaluation of the YEI at the latest by the end of April 2016, and at all events in time for the inclusion of a prolongation of the programme in the EU budget 2017; stresses that a permanent solution for the funding of YEI through new commitment appropriations until 2020 will be part of the mid-term revision of the MFF;*

Or. en

**Amendment 105**  
**Paul Rübig**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*9 a. Recalls the important role of small and medium sized enterprises as the backbone of the European economy and wealth; considers that SMEs are the main source of job creation and therefore need an appropriate access to finance as well as a strong support when it comes to the implementation of European legislation in terms of structural capacity building on European level;*

Or. en

**Amendment 106**  
**Esteban González Pons**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

*Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right; ***is also very concerned by the rising of the socio-economic inequalities, that contravene not only the values of the EU citizens, but also the main economic, social and territorial cohesion priorities, as well as the objectives of the Europa 2020 Strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth;***

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

**Amendment 107**  
**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be

*Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be

basic needs to which every European child has the right;

basic needs to which every European child has the right; *is concerned about a lower than expected implementation of payment appropriations for the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD), because of delays in appointing and notifying FEAD Managing Authorities;*

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

### **Amendment 108** **Sophie Montel**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 10**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls *its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded*<sup>7</sup> ; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

##### *Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls *that is entirely the EU's fault and its misguided economic policy* ; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

### **Amendment 109** **Ernest Maragall** on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 10**



*Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup> ; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every **European** child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

*Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being ***exploited and*** socially excluded; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every child has the right; ***including those travelling to and arriving in Europe amongst refugees and migrants.***

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

**Amendment 110**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their ***being socially excluded***<sup>7</sup> ; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

*Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty, ***provide for an environment suitable for their personal development*** and avoid their ***social exclusion***<sup>7</sup> ; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

**Amendment 111**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. *Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among* children; recalls *its* report advocating the *establishment of a* child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

*Amendment*

10. *Highlights that according to the recent report of Save the Children Organisation 27 million children are currently at risk of poverty in EU*; recalls *European Parliament's* report advocating the *possibility of establishing* child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded; *welcomes the efforts of the Member States that have recently adopted child poverty reduction strategies, with a view to reduce overall poverty levels, including for children and young people*; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

**Amendment 112**  
**Claudia Tapardel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

*Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing, *parenthood* and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

### **Amendment 113**

**Tamás Deutsch**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 10**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

###### *Amendment*

10. Is alarmed by increasing poverty, particularly among children; recalls its report advocating the establishment of a child guarantee in order to lift children out of poverty and avoid their being socially excluded<sup>7</sup>; ***recognizes the importance of the school milk and school fruit&vegetable programmes which mean the only source of appropriate nutrition for poor children in many situations and therefore suggests the increase of their EU funding***; considers education, childcare, health services, housing and security to be basic needs to which every European child has the right;

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

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<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2015)0403.

Or. en

### **Amendment 114**

**Paul Rübig**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 10 a (new)**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

###### *Amendment*

***10 a. Recalls the importance of European agencies ensuring the implementation of European legislation and thereby***

*accomplishing EU policy objectives related to competitiveness, growth and employment on the one hand and in managing the current migration crisis on the other hand; therefore urges the need of attributing adequate budgetary resources to them.*

Or. en

**Amendment 115**  
**Inese Vaidere**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF, *therefore urges the Commission to increase the overall financial support of the relevant programmes and instruments, such as Internal Security Fund (ISF), in order to control and protect the external borders and tackle the rising illegal immigration.*

Or. en

**Amendment 116**  
**Esteban González Pons**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; ***stresses, however,*** that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

11. Acknowledges ***that in spite of*** the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, ***a solution has still not been found for the Europe-wide migrant and refugee*** crisis; both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; ***highlights that the crisis escalated in 2015 with a sudden and massive increase in the numbers of refugees and migrants travelling to the Union to seek asylum, which has further impacted on the internal crisis;*** ***stresses*** that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF, ***without undermining other important EU priorities;***

Or. en

**Amendment 117**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. ***Acknowledges*** the mobilisation of ***significant*** budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; ***stresses, however,*** that ***substantial additional financial means are***

*Amendment*

11. ***Finds absolutely ridiculous*** the mobilisation of ***meager*** budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee crisis both internally within the ***borderless and defenseless*** Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; ***stresses, however,*** that ***no matter***

*required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;*

*how much of the people's money will be thrown into the face of refugees, the problem will not cease until the flows of migrants are stopped, which in turn is only possible with a return to national borders ; warns that the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon, the flows will not cease by themselves, and migrants that come here will stay, it is delusional to think that once the situation in Syria will be better these migrants will go back there;*

Or. en

**Amendment 118**  
**Paul Tang**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF; *underlines in this light that solidarity is an underlying principle of the EU budget; is concerned that in the refugee crisis, solidarity appears in an uneven way across Member States; reiterates the call for the Commission to come up with a proposal on how the EU budget can prompt Member States towards a more*

*balanced approach to solidarity;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 119**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 11**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions *should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also* in the upcoming *interim revision* of the MFF;

###### *Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means *by the Union and its Member States* spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights *however*, that longer-term solutions *will not be achieved by increased budgetary means alone, but may also require a significant reorientation of existing EU budget allocations, which should be considered* in the upcoming *review* of the MFF;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 120**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**

on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 11**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of *significant* budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration

###### *Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee,

and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that ***they are insufficient and that*** substantial additional financial means are ***urgently*** required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

Or. en

**Amendment 121**  
**Tamás Deutsch**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF;

*Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally in refugees' countries of origin; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming interim revision of the MFF, ***without hampering the implementation of other EU policies;***

Or. en

**Amendment 122**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**



## Motion for a resolution

### Paragraph 11

#### *Motion for a resolution*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally ***in refugees' countries of origin***; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming ***interim*** revision of the MFF;

#### *Amendment*

11. Acknowledges the mobilisation of significant budgetary means spread over 2015 and 2016 to address the migration and refugee, crisis both internally within the Union and externally ; stresses, however, that substantial additional financial means are required to address this crisis, as the increase in numbers of refugees and migrants cannot be considered a temporary phenomenon; highlights that longer-term solutions should be sought, not only in the annual budgetary procedure, but also in the upcoming revision of the MFF; ***highlights the need to address root causes of the migration phenomenon by improving living conditions in the country of origin of migrants through more security, better education and medical services and enhanced support for investments in infrastructure;***

Or. en

## Amendment 123

Monika Hohlmeier

## Motion for a resolution

### Paragraph 11 – subparagraph 1 (new)

#### *Motion for a resolution*

#### *Amendment*

***Notes the increases of staff and appropriations for the Justice and Home Affairs Agencies in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; underlines, nevertheless, that additional means are necessary in order to enable those agencies to cope with the huge increases of their tasks regarding migration and security policies;***

Or. en

**Amendment 124**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 a. Stresses the Commission to urgently present a medium and long term political and financial plan, taking into account the different scenarios and their impact on the 2017 budget , to deal with the migration crisis;***

Or. en

**Amendment 125**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 a. Attaches the utmost importance to the Council's public statements concerning the response to the unprecedented migration and refugee crisis; expects the Council to fulfil the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions related to Member States contributions matching the EU budget support to Madad and Africa Trust Funds as well as fully implementing the Commission's initial proposal on the Refugee Facility for Turkey;***

Or. en

**Amendment 126**  
**Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 a. Stresses the importance of an enhanced financing for resettlement schemes, relocation procedures and return operations notably within the AMIF in order to achieve an effective European asylum and migration policy, preventing and reducing irregular migration; underlines the need to create possibilities within the EU budget in order to develop resettlement areas and safe zones on the African Continent and in the Middle East, in cooperation with the African Union, the Arab League and UNHCR;***

Or. en

**Amendment 127**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 a. Notes the increases of staff and appropriations for the Justice and Home Affairs Agencies in the 2015 and 2016 budgets; underlines, nevertheless, that additional means are necessary in order to enable those agencies to cope with the huge increases of their tasks regarding migration and security policies;***

Or. en

**Amendment 128**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 b. Points out, in regard of the migration crisis, that the Union Agencies require the resources necessary to allow them to fulfil their assigned tasks; calls on the Commission to provide updated and consolidated information on the needs of the agencies; asks the Commission to propose a medium and long term strategy regarding the actions of the agencies in the field of JAI: objectives, tasks, coordination, Hotspots and financial resources;***

Or. en

**Amendment 129**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11 b. Stresses the importance of an enhanced financing for resettlement schemes, relocation procedures and return operations notably within the AMIF in order to achieve an effective European asylum and migration policy, preventing and reducing irregular migration; underlines the need to create possibilities within the EU budget in order to develop resettlement areas and safe zones on the African Continent and in the Middle East, in cooperation with the African Union, the Arab League and UNHCR;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 130**

**Reimer Böge**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 12**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

12. Notes the setting-up of the Union Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis and of the Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing the root causes of irregular migration and displacement of people in Africa; urges the Member States to stand by their promises and **contribute** to these funds; underlines that the Member States have reconfirmed their commitment, at the informal meeting of EU Heads of State or Government held to discuss migration on 23 September 2015, the European Council of 15 October 2015, and the Valletta summit of 11-12 November 2015; stresses, however, that further financial efforts will be needed to provide humanitarian assistance along the transit routes and to manage the challenges posed by increasing numbers of refugees; reminds that the above funds were created in response to the lack of flexibility and funding in the EU budget; insists that the actions undertaken to tackle the migration and refugee problem should not come at the cost of the EU's development policies in other areas;

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12. Notes the setting-up of the Union Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis and of the Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing the root causes of irregular migration and displacement of people in Africa; urges the Member States to stand by their promises and **match the EU contribution** to these funds, **amounting to 2.3 billion euros**; underlines that the Member States have reconfirmed their commitment, at the informal meeting of EU Heads of State or Government held to discuss migration on 23 September 2015, the European Council of 15 October 2015, and the Valletta summit of 11-12 November 2015; stresses, however, that further financial efforts will be needed to provide humanitarian assistance along the transit routes and to manage the challenges posed by increasing numbers of refugees; reminds that the above funds were created in response to the lack of flexibility and funding in the EU budget; insists that the actions undertaken to tackle the migration and refugee problem should not come at the cost of the EU's development policies in other areas;

Or. en

## **Amendment 131**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

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*Amendment*

12. Notes the setting-up of the Union Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis and of the Emergency Trust Fund for stability and addressing the root causes of irregular migration and displacement of people in Africa; ***regrets the failure of*** Member States to stand by their promises and ***to make corresponding adequate contributions*** to these funds; ***points out that lack of adequate funding for humanitarian aid, including for health and education measures in camps, has prompted more refugees to embark on the risky journey to the EU,*** underlines that the Member States have reconfirmed their commitment, at the informal meeting of EU Heads of State or Government held to discuss migration on 23 September 2015, the European Council of 15 October 2015, and the Valletta summit of 11-12 November 2015; stresses, however, that further financial efforts will be needed to provide humanitarian assistance along the transit routes and to manage the challenges posed by increasing numbers of refugees; reminds that the above funds were created in response to the lack of flexibility and funding in the EU budget; insists that the actions undertaken to tackle the migration and refugee problem should not come at the cost of the EU's development policies in other areas;

Or. en

**Amendment 132**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

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Or. en

### **Amendment 133** **Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 12**

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Or. en

#### **Amendment 134**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 12**

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November 2015; stresses, however, that further financial efforts will be needed to provide humanitarian assistance along the transit routes and to manage the challenges posed by increasing numbers of refugees; reminds that the above funds were created in response to the lack of flexibility and funding in the EU budget; insists that the actions undertaken to tackle the migration and refugee problem should not come at the cost of the EU's development policies in other areas; ***considers that a sustainable management of the migration crisis on the long term demands the inclusion of the emergency funds within the EU budget, allowing for a better accountability of all EU's actions in this field;***

Or. en

**Amendment 135**  
**Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

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Or. en

**Amendment 136**  
**Isabelle Thomas**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***12 a. Considers those trust funds as an externalisation of the EU budget without the accountability and democratic process prescribed by community method; Intend therefore to have a close monitoring of the setting up of the fund and its implementation;***

Or. en

**Amendment 137**  
**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

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Or. en

**Amendment 138**  
**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

13. ***Welcomes the principle and*** objectives of the ***EUR 3 billion*** Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the

*Amendment*

13. ***Takes note of the*** objectives of the Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; ***expresses its concerns about the use of these funds by the Turkish authorities and calls for a thorough and consistent monitoring;*** deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting

budgetary authority;

the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 139**

**Daniele Viotti, Pina Picierno**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 13**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, *and calls on each Member State to take on its share*, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

###### *Amendment*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 140**

**Sophie Montel**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

13. ***Welcomes*** the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, ***and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;***

*Amendment*

13. ***Denounces*** the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey : ***the country's stance on the refugee crisis is not clear as it seems to have benefitted a lot from this situation and we can question whether it was not favored by Turkey; warns moreover, that the links between turkey and the Islamic State should prevent us from giving Turkey any money; calls on each Member State to reestablish its national borders to protect themselves from this submersion ;***

Or. en

**Amendment 141**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; ***deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's***

*Amendment*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the ***envisaged*** EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; ***Criticises Council and Commission for deliberately excluding Parliament from the deliberations on the setting-up of the facility and the mobilisation of the Union's***

announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

Or. en

## **Amendment 142** **Siegfried Mureşan**

### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 13**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and ***calls on*** each Member State to ***take on its share, but raises the question of*** how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

#### *Amendment*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and ***urges*** each Member State to ***go beyond political pledges and provide adequate financial support to this facility; expects the Commission to explain*** how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

Or. en

**Amendment 143**  
**Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

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Or. en

**Amendment 144**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13**

*Motion for a resolution*

***13. Welcomes the principle and objectives of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and*** calls on each Member State to

*Amendment*

13. Calls on each Member State to take on its share ***in the package of the Refugee Facility for Turkey;*** raises the question of

take on its share, **but** raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority;

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Or. en

#### **Amendment 145**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 13**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

**13. Welcomes the principle and objectives** of the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the

##### *Amendment*

**13. Highlights the need to ensure and guarantee that human, civil rights and liberties, social protection, including protection for the most vulnerable, healthcare, social and financial benefits are implemented in full compliance with international law, in particular UN Human Rights Charter and Convention relation to the Refugee Status, the Convention of the Rights of the Child, the Geneva Convention, the Cartagena Declaration on Refugees, the Council of Europe's Recommendations on Refugees and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU; within this framework, acknowledges the EUR 3 billion Refugee Facility for Turkey, and calls on each Member State to take on its share, but raises the question of how the Union**



budgetary authority;

contribution should be made available within the respective ceilings of the Union budget for 2016 and 2017; deplores the fact that Parliament was not properly involved in either the setting-up of the facility or the mobilisation of the Union's contribution, as shown by the Commission's announcement of its intention to finance the Union contribution by redeployment from the recently adopted Union budget for 2016 and by pre-empting the margins of the 2017 budget; considers these actions to be clear infringements of Parliament's rights as an arm of the budgetary authority; ***is deeply concerned with the allegations of mistreatment in the Turkish refugee detention facilities; calls for a thorough investigation of these events and calls for an enhancement of the synergies with the local and national authorities as well as with the international organizations operating on the field to guarantee the adequate support and assistance both to refugees and to all those applying for the refugee status, to prevent the EU from being accused of complicity in violations of basic Human Rights;***

Or. en

**Amendment 146**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13 a. Draws the attention that the geopolitical situation in the Eastern Neighbourhood is fragile and calls on the EU to provide enhanced support towards countries that are currently implementing Association Agreements in order to advance reforms and ensure the deepening of the relations between the EU***

*and the respective countries.*

Or. en

**Amendment 147**  
**Isabelle Thomas**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13 a. Express its strong doubts regarding the EU capacity to propose concrete responses to those crises within the constraints of the current MFF; recalls in this sense that the agreement on the budget 2016 almost exhausted all the special instruments available at this time; considers that the mandatory revision of the MFF in 2016 is an unquestionable opportunity to address the lack of flexibility and the scarcity of EU resources;***

Or. en

**Amendment 148**  
**Jens Geier**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13 a. Notes that to ensure the EU working to the best of the European citizens and to improve several aspects of the Common Market, the EU decentralised agencies play an important role. Consequently, financial and human resources should be provided for both administrative and operational performance to deliver best results.***

Or. en

**Amendment 149**

**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13 a. Notes that all EU funded measures to tackle refugee/migration challenges should be regarded as investment and therefore must be oriented towards clear results and outcomes, including prudent management and implementation of upcoming projects in the background of transparency and EU leadership in all operations;***

Or. en

**Amendment 150**

**Liadh Ní Riada**

on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13 a. Expresses concern at the allegations regarding mistreatment of refugees within the refugee centres which are receiving EU financial support in particular in some Member States. Given recent revelations on missing children, the actions of some Member States and the quality of refugee facilities including Ireland's Direct Provision Centres and the Reception Centre at Lampedusa, calls for a thorough investigation into the management of the humanitarian crisis to ensure its compliance with international law, in particular the UN Human Rights Charter and Convention relation to the Refugee Status, the Convention on the***

*Rights of the Child, the Geneva Convention, the Cartagena Declaration on Refugees, the Council of Europe's Recommendations on Refugees and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.*

Or. en

**Amendment 151**

**Isabelle Thomas**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 13 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*13 b. intends to have a consistent approach and connect its negotiations of the 2017 budget with to the MFF's revision as this budget should be the first year of implementation of new measures required to address those new crises; Considers therefore its position on 2017 budget will have to take into account the outcome of its strategic rapport on the revision of the MFF 2014-2020;*

Or. en

**Amendment 152**

**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 14**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*14. Recalls that in the 2015 and 2016 budgets the Commission in many cases refrained from asking for additional payment appropriations for a number of its crisis responses (frontloading of EUR 2 billion for Greece, first initiatives in the area of migration), instead reverting to*

*deleted*

*the redeployment of already existing resources; stresses that this has increased the burden on payment appropriations in 2016 and beyond, potentially re-creating a situation where appropriations may not be sufficient to meet the actual needs of financial programmes across headings; recalls its long-standing position that unforeseen payment needs should be financed with fresh appropriations;*

Or. en

**Amendment 153**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 14**

*Motion for a resolution*

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14. Recalls that in the 2015 and 2016 budgets the Commission in many cases refrained from asking for additional payment appropriations for a number of its crisis responses (frontloading of EUR 2 billion for Greece, first initiatives in the area of migration), instead reverting to the redeployment of already existing resources; stresses that this has increased the burden on payment appropriations in 2016 and beyond, potentially re-creating a situation where appropriations may not be sufficient to meet the actual needs of financial programmes across headings, ***impacting project leaders and citizens directly***; recalls its long-standing position that unforeseen payment needs should be financed with fresh appropriations;

Or. en

**Amendment 154**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 14**

*Motion for a resolution*

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Or. en

**Amendment 155**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 15**

*Motion for a resolution*

15. Calls for the full implementation of the joint statements on payments agreed between Parliament, the Council and the Commission in 2015 and 2016; recalls the commitment to hold in the course of this year at least three interinstitutional

*Amendment*

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meetings on payments in order to take stock of payment implementation and revised forecasts; *expects the first of the three meetings, in March 2016, to provide an initial overview of the level of unpaid bills at the end of 2015, for the main policy areas*; expects that in its reading of the 2017 Union budget the Council will take on board and fully respect the amounts confirmed at the April 2016 meeting; urges the Commission to provide Parliament and the Council, as agreed in the joint statement adopted in the framework of the budgetary procedure for 2016, with longer-term forecasts for the expected evolution of payments up to the end of the MFF 2014-2020;

meetings on payments in order to take stock of payment implementation and revised forecasts; *notes that the Commission has announced a 2015 end-of-year backlog of 8.2bn, which is almost half of what it had originally anticipated; intends to raise this issue at the first interinstitutional meeting on payments in March 2016, in order to determine the causes of this divergence and the possible long-term impact on payment forecasts*; expects that in its reading of the 2017 Union budget the Council will take on board and fully respect the amounts confirmed at the April 2016 meeting; urges the Commission to provide Parliament and the Council, as agreed in the joint statement adopted in the framework of the budgetary procedure for 2016, with longer-term forecasts for the expected evolution of payments up to the end of the MFF 2014-2020 *in order to avoid a payment backlog in the second half of the MFF*;

Or. en

## **Amendment 156**

### **Reimer Böge**

## **Motion for a resolution**

### **Paragraph 16**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

16. Highlights that the implementation of the European Structural and Investment Funds is expected to reach cruising speed in 2017, and warns against an underbudgeting of payment appropriations to match this increased absorption level; expresses its concern at the late adoption of the Operational Programmes and at the risk of the build-up of a new backlog of unpaid bills over the second half of the MFF; encourages the Commission to *work actively with* the Member States *and urge them* to make every effort to ensure the

#### *Amendment*

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swift designation of programme authorities, the absence of which has been the main cause of the current delays;

authorities, the absence of which has been the main cause of the current delays, ***and to collaborate closely with Member States, in particular regarding the adjustment, as appropriate, of Operational Programmes to allow for a better use of the European Structural and Investment Funds to address domestic challenges linked to the refugee crisis;***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 157**

**Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 16**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

16. Highlights that the implementation of the European Structural and Investment Funds is expected to reach cruising speed in 2017, and warns against an underbudgeting of payment appropriations to match this increased absorption level; expresses its concern at the late adoption of the Operational Programmes and at the risk of the build-up of a new backlog of unpaid bills over the second half of the MFF; encourages the Commission to ***work actively with the Member States and urge them*** to make every effort to ensure the swift designation of programme authorities, the absence of which has been the main cause of the current delays;

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Or. en



## Amendment 158

Tamás Deutsch

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 16

##### *Motion for a resolution*

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##### *Amendment*

16. Highlights that the implementation of the European Structural and Investment Funds is expected to reach cruising speed in 2017, and warns against an underbudgeting of payment appropriations to match this increased absorption level; ***encourages the European Commission to increase the payments to the necessary levels in its Draft Budget;*** expresses its concern at the late adoption of the Operational Programmes and at the risk of the build-up of a new backlog of unpaid bills over the second half of the MFF; encourages the Commission to work actively with the Member States and urge them to make every effort to ensure the swift designation of programme authorities, the absence of which has been the main cause of the current delays;

Or. en

## Amendment 159

Marco Zanni, Marco Valli

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 17

##### *Motion for a resolution*

***17. Recalls that gender mainstreaming should underpin Union policies as a horizontal principle; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice when preparing the draft budget for 2017;***

##### *Amendment*

***deleted***

Or. en

**Amendment 160**

**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 17**

*Motion for a resolution*

**17. Recalls that gender mainstreaming should underpin Union policies as a horizontal principle; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice when preparing the draft budget for 2017;**

*Amendment*

**deleted**

Or. en

**Amendment 161**

**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 17**

*Motion for a resolution*

**17. Recalls that gender mainstreaming should underpin Union policies as a horizontal principle; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice when preparing the draft budget for 2017;**

*Amendment*

**17. Recalls the importance of gender mainstreaming; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice when preparing the draft budget for 2017, where appropriate;**

Or. en

**Amendment 162**

**Claudia Tapardel**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 17**

*Motion for a resolution*

**17. Recalls that gender mainstreaming**

*Amendment*

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should underpin Union policies as a horizontal principle; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice when preparing the draft budget for 2017;

should underpin Union policies as a horizontal principle; calls on the Commission to put the principle of gender mainstreaming into practice ***at all levels*** when preparing the draft budget for 2017;

Or. en

**Amendment 163**  
**Isabelle Thomas**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 18**

*Motion for a resolution*

18. Welcomes the agreement reached on 12 December 2015 in Paris by the 196 parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change on a universal, binding, dynamic and differentiated agreement to face the challenge of climate change; regrets, however, the fact that there is no clarity on how donor countries will meet the yearly USD 100 billion goal to support developing countries, or in particular on how they will agree on a common methodology to account for climate finance; notes that this issue is to be resolved before COP 22 in Marrakesh, and expects the Commission to anticipate such financing in its draft budget for 2017;

*Amendment*

18. Welcomes the agreement reached on 12 December 2015 in Paris by the 196 parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change on a universal, binding, dynamic and differentiated agreement to face the challenge of climate change; regrets, however, the fact that there is no clarity on how donor countries will meet the yearly USD 100 billion goal to support developing countries, or in particular on how they will agree on a common methodology to account for climate finance; notes that this issue is to be resolved before COP 22 in Marrakesh, and expects the Commission to anticipate such financing in its draft budget for 2017 ***and in its proposition on the revision of the MFF***;

Or. en

**Amendment 164**  
**Younous Omarjee, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 18**

*Motion for a resolution*

18. Welcomes the agreement reached on 12 December 2015 in Paris by the 196 parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change on a universal, binding, dynamic and differentiated agreement to face the challenge of climate change; regrets, however, the fact that there is no clarity on how donor countries will meet the yearly USD 100 billion goal to support developing countries, or in particular on how they will agree on a common methodology to account for climate finance; notes that this issue is to be resolved before COP 22 in Marrakesh, and expects the Commission to anticipate such financing in its draft budget for 2017;

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Or. en

**Amendment 165**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 18 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***18 a. In this context, points out that the time is ripe to perform a comprehensive scan of the EU budget to identify budget lines that contribute to mitigation and adaptation, as well as spending that - as it is currently designed - directly or indirectly contributes to emitting GHG, and therefore should be phased out. Believe that such an assessment is indispensable given the need to "climate-***

*fine-tuning" the EU budget.*

Or. en

**Amendment 166**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 18 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*18 b. Encourages the Commission to see to a swift implementation of the General Affairs Council conclusions from the 17th of November 2015 with regard to climate and cohesion policy funds.*

Or. en

**Amendment 167**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 18 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*18 c. Asks the Commission to boost and make more efficient spending on infrastructure that is necessary and conducive to - speedily - delivering the energy transition that the Paris agreement requires.*

Or. en

**Amendment 168**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 18 d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***18 d. Asks the Commission to boost and make more efficient spending on infrastructure that is necessary and conducive to - speedily - delivering the energy transition that the Paris agreement requires.***

Or. en

**Amendment 169**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 18 e (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***18 e. Urges the re-concentration of EU spending on sustainable modes of transport.***

Or. en

**Amendment 170**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 18 f (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***18 f. Urges the use of existing margins of manoeuvre to redirect CAP funding to make EU agriculture climate-proof while overall reducing agricultural GHG emissions.***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 171**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 18 g (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***18 g. Recalls that the EU has agreed that at least 20% of its budget for 2014-2020 – as much as €180 billion – should be spent on climate change-related action.***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 172**

**Reimer Böge**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 19**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

19. Welcomes the Commission's efforts in developing the 'EU Budget Focused on Results' strategy; stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under 'shared management'; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;

19. Welcomes the Commission's efforts in developing the 'EU Budget Focused on Results' strategy; stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; ***emphasises, in particular, the need to increase the impact of EU external spending; calls on the Commission to draw up proposals as to how the synergies between the EU external funding instruments can be enhanced and their strategic approach made more coherent***; believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under 'shared management'; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any

delays in the implementation of  
programmes under their responsibility;

Or. en

**Amendment 173**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 19**

*Motion for a resolution*

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*Amendment*

19. Welcomes the Commission's efforts in developing the 'EU Budget Focused on Results' strategy; stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under 'shared management'; ***emphasizes the need to focus more on improving output indicators in order to have a concrete image on the effect of EU spending in real economy***; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;

Or. en

**Amendment 174**  
**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 19**



*Motion for a resolution*

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19. Welcomes the Commission's efforts in developing the 'EU Budget Focused on Results' strategy; stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under 'shared management'; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility; ***calls on all Member States to promote and set in place concrete measures to actively fight against corruption in public contracts;***

Or. en

**Amendment 175**

**Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 19**

*Motion for a resolution*

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*Amendment*

19. Welcomes the Commission's efforts in developing the 'EU Budget Focused on Results' strategy; stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; ***emphasis, in particular, the need to increase the impact of EU external spending; calls on the Commission to draw up proposals as to how the synergies between the EU external funding instruments can be enhanced and their strategic approach made more coherent;*** believes,

the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;

furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under ‘shared management’; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 176**

**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 19**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

19. Welcomes the Commission’s efforts in developing the ‘EU Budget Focused on Results’ strategy; *stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes; believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under ‘shared management’; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;*

##### *Amendment*

19. Welcomes the Commission’s efforts in developing the ‘EU Budget Focused on Results’ strategy, *as called for in the TFEU, Interinstitutional agreement on budgetary discipline and Parliament resolutions; calls on the Commission to propose a pilot project that would implement in a chosen area of activity the concept of the "performance based budgeting", including the definition of measurable priorities and targets, credible measures to achieve them and adequate quantitative and qualitative indicators to measure performance;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 177**

**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 19 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*19 a. Stresses that particular attention should be paid to the performance of financial instruments under the Union funding programmes, which have proved to be able to reach out to important target groups such as SMEs, innovative enterprises and microenterprises and to mobilise significant additional resources from the private and public sector; calls on the Commission to further expand the use of financial instruments, in particular to improve SMEs and microenterprises access to finance as well as to provide them with coaching activities, business and financial advice;*

Or. en

**Amendment 178**  
**Andrey Novakov**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 19 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*19 a. Calls on the Commission to show progress in the field of simplification of EU funding, especially with regards to reducing burden in application, management and monitoring/control of EU funded projects, specifically focusing on introduction of EU-wide public procurement procedure; complete e-cohesion; single audit based on risk; light touch requirements for beneficiaries; stable rules not affected by frequent changes;*

Or. en

**Amendment 179**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 19 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*19 b. Believes, furthermore, that, apart from the Union institutions, considerable responsibility also lies with the Member States, given the fact that 80 % of the budget is under 'shared management'; calls on the Member States, therefore, to do their utmost to guarantee sound financial management and the reduction of errors, and to avoid any delays in the implementation of programmes under their responsibility;*

Or. en

**Amendment 180**  
**Ernest Maragall**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 20**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*20. Confirms its support for the ITER programme and is committed to securing appropriate financing for it; is concerned, however, that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial*

*deleted*

*resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 181**

**Marco Zanni, Marco Valli**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 20**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

20. **Confirms its support for the ITER programme and is committed to securing appropriate financing for it;** is concerned, **however, that further** delays and additional costs may arise **regarding this** programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;

###### *Amendment*

20. Is concerned **about** delays and additional costs **that** may arise **from the ITER** programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 182**

**Jean-Paul Denanot**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 20**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

20. Confirms its support for the ITER programme and is committed to securing

###### *Amendment*

20. Confirms its **strong** support for the **international** ITER programme and is

appropriate financing for it; is concerned, however, that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;

committed to securing appropriate financing for it; is concerned, however, that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;

Or. en

### **Amendment 183**

**Younous Omarjee, Liadh Ní Riada, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 20**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

20. Confirms its support for the ITER programme and is committed to securing appropriate financing for it; is concerned, however, that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use;

#### *Amendment*

20. Confirms its support for the ITER **research** programme and is committed to securing appropriate financing for it; is concerned, however, that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use; ***calls on the Commission and the Member states to launch a program for***

*the development of new revolutionary clean and renewable energies with the same approximate level of financing;*

Or. en

**Amendment 184**

**Ernest Maragall**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 20 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*20 a. Regarding ITER, is concerned that further delays and additional costs may arise regarding this programme, as well as at the related potential repercussions for the Union budget; regrets, therefore, that it was unable to assess the level of the 2016 ITER appropriations against the updated payment plan and schedule; expects this revised plan to be included in the preparation of the draft budget for 2017; calls for a proper accountability mechanism that will offer a clear overview of the amount in financial resources provided for the international project and will evaluate the efficiency of their use; believes it is time to propose the phasing out of EU funding for ITER and redirect the funding towards energy efficiency and renewables.*

Or. en

**Amendment 185**

**Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 21**

*Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to **provide** the Union **with** sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

*Amendment*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to **assess the qualitative and quantitative functioning of the MFF and to address systemic shortcomings of the Union budget, in particular regarding the provision of** sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

**Amendment 186**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 21**

*Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that ***the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal*** for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF ***by the end of 2016***; stresses that the purpose of the ***review/revision is to provide the Union with sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that***

*Amendment*

21. Recalls that ***Article 2 of Regulation (EU) No 1311/2013 allows*** for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020 ***by the end of 2016 at the latest***, accompanied, ***as appropriate***, by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF; stresses that the purpose of the ***review*** should ***be to orient the budget further towards jobs, growth and competitiveness***; underlines ***that all***



*the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on* responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, *either* by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or *by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;*

*institutions have* responsibility for ensuring the *adequate* financing of new tasks *and unforeseen circumstances*, by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or *are not delivering added value;*

Or. en

**Amendment 187**  
**Claudia Tapardel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 21**

*Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to provide the Union with sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, *either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or* by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

*Amendment*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to provide the Union with sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

**Amendment 188**  
**Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 21**

*Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to **provide** the Union **with** sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

*Amendment*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the review/revision is to **assess the qualitative and quantitative functioning of the MFF and to address systemic shortcomings of the Union budget, in particular regarding the provision of** sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

**Amendment 189**  
**Tamás Deutsch**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 21**

*Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the

*Amendment*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that the purpose of the

review/revision is to provide the Union with sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by ***clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities*** or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

review/revision is to provide the Union with sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by its own statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by ***extending the flexibility within the MFF*** or by agreeing to an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 190** **Siegfried Mureşan**

#### **Motion for a resolution** **Paragraph 21**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as ***signed in December 2013, included a proposal for a*** compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that ***the purpose of the review/revision is to provide*** the Union ***with*** sufficient resources to address internal and external crises; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by ***its own*** statements and decisions; underlines in this respect that the ***Council should take on responsibility for ensuring the financing of new tasks, either by clearly identifying the policy areas which would no longer be among the Union's priorities or by agreeing to*** an upward revision of the MFF ceilings;

##### *Amendment*

21. Recalls that the final agreement on the MFF 2014-2020, as ***enshrined in Article 2 of the MFF Regulation, includes a*** compulsory review of the MFF 2014-2020, accompanied by a legislative proposal for revision of the MFF by the end of 2016; stresses that ***this process should ensure that*** the Union ***is granted*** sufficient resources to ***effectively*** address internal and external crises ***and finance evolving political priorities for the second half of the current MFF***; stresses that the Council should live up to the expectations raised by ***the*** statements and decisions ***of the European Council***; underlines in this respect that the ***necessary appropriations should be made available to respond to the additional financing needs, including through*** an upward revision of the ***relevant*** MFF ceilings;

Or. en

## Amendment 191

Reimer Böge

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 22

##### *Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget *more stable*, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

##### *Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the *revenue side of the* Union budget *simpler, fairer*, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

Or. en

## Amendment 192

Marco Zanni, Marco Valli

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 22

##### *Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, *and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement*; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own

##### *Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more

resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens, ***but without any tax increase***;

Or. en

**Amendment 193**  
**Sophie Montel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

***22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;***

*Amendment*

***22. Opposes any idea of the Union having "own resources"; the collection to taxes is historically linked to the assent of the people to the sovereignty and legitimacy of the entity that collects it; acknowledges that the European Union benefits from no such legitimacy and therefore calls to the end of its usurpation of sovereignty;***

Or. en

**Amendment 194**  
**Jean-Paul Denanot**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of **an** in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

*Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of **the required** in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

Or. en

**Amendment 195**

**Bernd Kölmel, Richard Ashworth**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

22. ***Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to*** the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, ***including any new candidate for own resources***; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, ***more predictable***, and more ***autonomous***, while also alleviating the

*Amendment*

22. ***Notes*** the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, and more ***predictable***, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 196**

**Younous Omarjee, Xabier Benito Ziluaga**  
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

#### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

##### *Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens; ***insists on the need to provide the EU with new own resources, among others, with new own resources based upon taxation of financial transactions and the appropriate taxation of all multinationals which are involved in tax evasion; considers this to be is an adequate answer to the large majority of the EU citizens requests;***

Or. en

**Amendment 197**  
**Claudia Tapardel**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

*Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; ***supports the practical establishment of the EU financial transaction tax as a means to boost own resources***; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

Or. en

**Amendment 198**  
**Gérard Deprez, Nils Torvalds**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and

*Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and



the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more *stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also* alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more *autonomous, while ensuring its stability, sustainability and predictability as well as* alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency *and visibility* for the citizens;

Or. en

### Amendment 199

Monika Hohlmeier, Reimer Böge

#### Motion for a resolution

##### Paragraph 22

###### *Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget *more stable*, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

###### *Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take on board the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the *revenue side of the* Union budget, *simpler, fairer*, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

Or. en

**Amendment 200**  
**Siegfried Mureşan**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 22**

*Motion for a resolution*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take ***on board*** the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens;

*Amendment*

22. Reiterates its position in favour of an in-depth reform of the system of Union own resources, and gives the highest political importance to the work of the High Level Group on Own Resources created as part of the MFF 2014-2020 agreement; expects the Commission and the Council to take ***in consideration*** the final outcome, which is expected by the end of 2016, including any new candidate for own resources; recalls that the leading idea behind the own resources reform is to make the Union budget more stable, more sustainable, more predictable, and more autonomous, while also alleviating the burden of excessive spending from national budgets and improving transparency for the citizens; ***believes that in order to have a completely independent EU Budget, genuine own resources have to be put in place;***

Or. en