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Implementation of the Development Cooperation Instrument, the Humanitarian Aid Instrument and the European Development Fund (2017/2258(INI))

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Amendment 1 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

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1. Regrets that the quantity and lack of flexibility and coherence of EU funding in Heading 4 of the current MFF have been indicative of the EU's limited ambition to act as a global player, in particular with a view to the provision of global public goods, humanitarian aid and development cooperation; recalls the need for long-term programming and predictability, which is of particular importance for development aid;

Amendment

1. Emphasizes that the EU is the biggest provider of external assistance in the world. Recalls that Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI) remains the largest external financing instrument in the current MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Regrets that the *quantity and lack of flexibility and* coherence of EU funding in Heading 4 of the current MFF have been indicative of the EU's limited ambition to act as a global player, in particular with a view to the provision of *global public goods*, humanitarian aid and development cooperation; recalls the need for long-term programming and predictability, which is of particular importance for development aid;

Amendment

1. Regrets that the coherence of EU funding in Heading 4 of the current MFF have been indicative of the EU's limited ambition to act as a global player, in particular with a view to the provision of *investments*, humanitarian aid and development cooperation; recalls the need for long-term programming and predictability, which is of particular importance for development aid *and large investments such as in infrastructure and renewables*;

Or. en

Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1 a. Recalls that the EU budget dedicated to EU external action has been constantly mobilised and reinforced, exhausting all available margins to tackle the multiplication of humanitarian and other emergencies around Europe; underlines the need for more flexible procedure to allow funding to be deployed more rapidly in reaction to unforeseen developments and crises; stresses however that greater flexibility should not come at the expense of aid effectiveness and aid predictability nor of long-term geographic and thematic priorities;

Or. en

Amendment 4 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1 a. Recalls the need for long-term programming and predictability, which is of particular importance for development aid; notes though the insufficient focus on the results as well as inadequate level of monitoring and evaluation of development related external financing instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

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Amendment

1 b. Draws the attention to the need to avoid any gap between commitment and payment appropriations for humanitarian aid;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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2. Recalls that the European Development Fund (EDF), the **Development Cooperation Instrument** (DCI) and the Humanitarian Aid Instrument are characterised by positive budget execution and are key to demonstrating international *solidarity*, while contributing to the credibility of the EU on the global stage; considers that, *irrespective of possible structural changes* or mergers with regard to these instruments, including the possible budgetisation of the EDF, the overall appropriations for the next MFF should be increased, while the official development assistance (ODA) criteria should not be diluted;

Amendment

2. Recalls that the European Development Fund (EDF), the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI) and the Humanitarian Aid Instrument are characterised by positive budget execution and are key to demonstrating international *cooperation and investment*, while contributing to the credibility of the EU on the global stage;

Or. en

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Amendment 7 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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Amendment

2. Recalls that the European Development Fund (EDF), the **Development Cooperation Instrument** (DCI) and the Humanitarian Aid Instrument are characterised by positive budget execution and are key to demonstrating international solidarity, while contributing to the credibility of the EU on the global stage; considers that, irrespective of possible structural changes or mergers with regard to these instruments, including the possible budgetisation of the EDF, the overall appropriations for the next MFF should be increased, while the official development assistance (ODA) criteria should not be diluted:

2. Recalls that the European Development Fund (EDF), the **Development Cooperation Instrument** (DCI) and the Humanitarian Aid Instrument are characterised by positive budget execution and are key to demonstrating international solidarity, while contributing to the credibility of the EU on the global stage; considers that, irrespective of possible structural changes or mergers with regard to these instruments, including the possible budgetisation of the EDF, the overall appropriations for the next MFF should be increased, while the official development assistance (ODA) criteria should not be diluted; and that the future architecture of the external financing instruments should include a more transparent incorporation of trust funds and facilities guided by the key principles of democratic ownership and development effectiveness, as well as a possible continuation of the External Investment Plan based on its evaluation demonstrating its development additionality and human rights, social and environmental impact;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Jordi Solé on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2 a. Highlights the positive findings in the European Court of Auditors' Special Reports 30/2016 on the effectiveness of EU development support to priority sectors in Honduras and 3/2017 on EU assistance to Tunisia; underlines the Court's assessment, in line with previous special reports on EU development spending, that EU funds have been generally well spent, which is a proof for

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the high quality of EU development spending;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Xabier Benito Ziluaga

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2 a. Considers that the funds and other financial instruments devoted to humanitarian and cooperation development policies should be progressively included within the framework of the EU Budget, and under the European Parliament monitoring and democratic scrutiny in order to verify the solidarity orientation of these resources;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2 a. Emphasizes the importance of complementing assistance from public funds with flexible and adaptable instruments that would trigger private investments in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Jordi Solé on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Amendment

2 b. Recalls the need to maintain a robust and independent instrument for humanitarian aid as called for by the European Consensus on humanitarian aid;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods *and challenges* such as *human development*, climate change, conflict prevention, *support to peace and* stability, *migration and asylum* and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of *global public goods such as* climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of *mitigation of* climate change, conflict prevention, *investments, particularly in infrastructure and renewables*, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

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Or. en

Amendment 14 Jordi Solé on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change *adaptation and mitigation*, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Xabier Benito Ziluaga

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals; *urges for fighting against the causes of forced migration addressing at the same time an strategy for building a safe path for migrants and guaranteeing the social inclusion of this social group when migration has already occurred;*

Or. en

Amendment 16 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

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3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals;

Amendment

3. Recalls the importance of these instruments for the provision of global public goods such as climate change, conflict prevention, stability and the Sustainable Development Goals; *stresses in this context the obligation to align the EU's budgetary framework with the SDGs;*

Or. en

Amendment 17 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3 a. Notes the potential role of ODA to facilitate the mobilisation of financing for development from other sources, private and public, domestic and international; supports the EU's effort at stimulating private investment through blending, grants and loans and providing guarantees;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Considers it vital to include horizontal and cross-sectoral environmental protection and the opportunities offered by environmental policies in all development policies; Amendment 19 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

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4. Considers that *the objectives of* development policy *are distinct from and may not be conflated with or subordinated to general* foreign policy *or* migration management;

Amendment

4. Considers that development policy should complement EU foreign policy and migration management while guaranteeing that development money should only be used for development objectives and purposes;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Considers that the objectives of development policy are distinct from *and may not be conflated with or subordinated* to general foreign policy *or* migration management;

Amendment

4. Considers that the objectives of development policy are distinct from *yet closely tied* to general foreign policy *and* migration management;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

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4. Considers that the objectives of development policy are distinct from and may not be conflated with or subordinated AM\1146253EN.docx

Amendment

4. Considers that the objectives of development policy are distinct from and may not be conflated with or subordinated 11/14 PE618.168v01-00 to general foreign policy or migration management;

to general foreign policy or migration management; *points out, in this respect, that ODA should not be used to cover indonor refugee costs, the externalisation of migration policies outside EU borders or the costs of returns and readmission to countries of origin;*

Or. en

Amendment 22 Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

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Amendment

4 a. Emphasises the importance of ensuring coherence and synergies between development and humanitarian aid; considers that well managed and used development aid is an important element in strengthening capacity of developing countries to better cope with humanitarian crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 23 Xabier Benito Ziluaga

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Recalls the need to ensure policy coherence for development as well as to respect the Busan development effectiveness principles, while also furthering donor coordination and joint programming with Member States;

Amendment

5. Recalls the need to ensure policy coherence for development as well as to respect the Busan development effectiveness principles, while also furthering donor coordination and joint programming with Member States; *the development cooperation policy has to be carried out in the terms posed by the countries and population that need it, ensuring their partaking in the decision-*

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making process, assuming the responsibility of a transparent and efficient application;

Or. en

Amendment 24 Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

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6. Regrets the insufficient progress made in terms of mainstreaming democracy, human rights *and* gender equality; urges, furthermore, that the Paris climate agreement commitments be fully reflected in future instruments and programmes, accompanied by adequate monitoring.

Amendment

6. Regrets the insufficient progress made in terms of mainstreaming democracy, *and* human rights *such as* gender equality; urges, furthermore, that the Paris climate agreement commitments be fully reflected in future instruments and programmes, accompanied by adequate monitoring;

Or. en

Amendment 25 Nicola Caputo

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Regrets the insufficient progress made in terms of mainstreaming democracy, human rights and gender equality; urges, furthermore, that the Paris climate agreement commitments be fully reflected in future instruments and programmes, accompanied by adequate monitoring.

Amendment

6. Regrets the insufficient progress made in terms of mainstreaming democracy, human rights and gender equality; urges, furthermore, that the Paris climate agreement commitments be fully reflected in future instruments and programmes, accompanied by adequate monitoring; considers, therefore, that the fight against climate change should play an increasingly important role in development cooperation.

Or. it

Amendment 26 Jordi Solé on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 6 a (new)

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Amendment

6 a. Welcomes a closer alignment with recipient countries' priorities and urges less fragmentation of thematic programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 27 Jordi Solé on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 6 b (new)

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Amendment

6 b. Insists on adequate staffing at Headquaters and in EU delegations, both in terms of numbers as well as development and humanitarian aid expertise.

Or. en

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