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# **AMENDMENTS**

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### **Draft opinion**

**Derek Vaughan**

(PE626.991v01-00)

Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 as regards support to structural reforms in Member States

Proposal for a regulation

(COM(2017)0826 – C8-0432/2017 – 2017/0336(COD))



**Amendment 1**  
**Luke Ming Flanagan**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 1**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(1) Since *the economic governance of the* Union *contributes* to economic, social and territorial cohesion, it should be possible to support reform commitments undertaken by Member States to implement relevant Council recommendations *or* to maximise the growth and competitiveness impact of the cohesion policy funds as a specific form of support implemented in direct management.

*Amendment*

(1) Since *European* Union *funds contribute* to economic, social and territorial cohesion, it should *then also* be possible *for the Union* to support reform commitments undertaken by Member States to implement relevant Council recommendations, *and/or* to maximise the growth and competitiveness impact of the cohesion policy funds as a specific form of support implemented in direct management.

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Luke Ming Flanagan**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 2**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(2) In order to facilitate reforms conducted by *the* Member States in the context of the economic governance process, it *is* necessary *to open the possibility* to partially or fully allocate the performance reserve set up by Article 20 of the Regulation (EU) 1303/2013<sup>3</sup> to support reform commitments undertaken by *the* Member States.

*Amendment*

(2) In order to facilitate reforms conducted by Member States in the context of the economic governance process, it *may be* necessary to partially or fully allocate the performance reserve set up by Article 20 of the Regulation (EU) 1303/2013<sup>3</sup> to support reform commitments undertaken by *those* Member States.

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<sup>3</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p.320

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Or. en

**Amendment 3**

**Luke Ming Flanagan**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Recital 3**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(3) Any reallocation from the performance reserve should be subject to the fulfilment of commitments with respect to implementing reforms identified in the European Semester process. Priority should be given for the implementation of structural reforms which are expected to contribute most to the resilience of domestic economies and have positive spill-over effects on other Member States. These include reforms in product and labour markets, tax reforms, the development of capital markets, reforms to improve the business environment as well as investment in human capital and public administration reforms.

*Amendment*

(3) Any reallocation from the performance reserve should be subject to the fulfilment of commitments with respect to implementing reforms identified in the European Semester process. Priority should be given for the implementation of structural reforms which are expected to contribute most to the resilience of domestic economies and have positive spill-over effects on other Member States. These include *positive* reforms in product and labour markets *which fully respect and enhance labour rights*, tax reforms *that do not impinge on the rights of Member States to control their own tax system*, the development of capital markets *in line with European Union standards*, reforms to improve the business environment as well as investment in human capital and public administration reforms.

Or. en

**Amendment 4**

**Luke Ming Flanagan**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Recital 4**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(4) It is *appropriate that* Member States propose a detailed set of measures for the implementation of the structural reforms which should contain milestones and targets and a timetable of not more than three years

*Amendment*

(4) It is *recommended that relevant* Member States propose a detailed set of measures for the implementation of the structural reforms which should contain milestones and targets and a timetable of not more than *a suggested* three years.

Or. en