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Implementation report on Europe for Citizens

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Amendment 1
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the Protocol (No 1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) on the role of National Parliaments in the European Union,*

Or. el

Amendment 2
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to Protocol (No 2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality,*

Or. el

Amendment 3
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Citation 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the European Parliament resolution of 19 January 2016*

*on the role of intercultural dialogue,
cultural diversity and education in
promoting EU fundamental values,*

Or. en

Amendment 4

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking about the European project;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 5

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme *is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is* a listening exercise on civil society's debate **and critical thinking about the European project;**

Amendment

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme *should be* a listening exercise on civil society's debate, **with critical thinking about the European project; *whereas the programme is being carried out in a context in which, according to the findings of Eurobarometer survey 415 published in 2014, 59% of Member State citizens tend not to trust the EU and its institutions and 47% of them do not understand how the EU works*¹;**

¹http://ec.europa.eu/public_opinion/archives/ebs/ebs_415_fact_fr_en.pdf

Amendment 6

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking *about* the European project;

Amendment

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and *it stimulates* critical thinking *on* the European project;

Or. en

Amendment 7

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking about the European project;

Amendment

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking about the European project, *its history and that of the movements and ideas that have promoted it*;

Or. en

Amendment 8

Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking about the European project;

Amendment

A. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme is a unique and highly symbolic programme, as it is a listening exercise on civil society's debate and critical thinking about the European project ***and the European decision-making process;***

Or. en

Amendment 9

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme ***aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU;***

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme ***ought to provide an opportunity for the EU's institutions and political leaders to take into consideration the opinions of all citizens of Member States, including critical views of European integration, so as to revitalise democratic practice and make the EU more inclusive for the millions of citizens who hold minority views that either are not represented or are underrepresented;***

Or. fr

Amendment 10

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme *aims to strengthen* a sense of European citizenship, *enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU*;

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme *has a budget of EUR 185 468 000, but is failing as a programme to achieve its aims of strengthening* a sense of European citizenship, *which was reflected within the result of Brexit, showing the discontent amongst the people*;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to *strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU*;

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to *contribute to citizens' understanding of the EU, its history and diversity, foster European citizenship and improve conditions for civic and democratic participation at EU level*;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU;

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship *and belonging*, enhance *solidarity*, mutual tolerance and *respect*, promote a better understanding of the EU *and foster active dialogue between*

EU citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 13

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to ***strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU;***

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to ***promote better understanding of the EU and public participation in its decision-making processes;***

Or. el

Amendment 14

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU;

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU, ***of its origin and development, values, institutions, competencies and policies developed for the benefit of its citizens;***

Or. en

Amendment 15

Michaela Šojdrová

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU;

Amendment

B. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme aims to strengthen a sense of European citizenship, enhance mutual tolerance and promote a better understanding of the EU; ***whereas the activities under the programme can be seen as part of informal lifelong education in citizenship;***

Or. cs

Amendment 16

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchuk

Motion for a resolution

Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas the one euro per citizen campaign for the Europe for citizens programme aims at sending a strong symbolic message about listening to citizens' voice in Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of 'Euroscepticism' – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic

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participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the *current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;*

Amendment

C. whereas the *constant denigration, by elected representatives and the media, of what is commonly termed ‘Euroscepticism’, which is nothing other than the exercise of free will and of freedom of expression in a democratic setting, is one reason for the vote in favour of Brexit;*

Or. fr

Amendment 19
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – *which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;*

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ *is justified in the light of the neoliberal policies adopted by the EU leadership that have, inter alia, effectively excluded the majority of citizens from the political process;*

Or. el

Amendment 20
Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of 'Euroscepticism' – *which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;*

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of 'Euroscepticism' *reinforces the need to reflect on the causes of the European Union's loss of credibility and calls for constructive, self-critical thinking about the crisis in European values, which should involve the whole of civil society and the institutions themselves;*

Or. it

Amendment 21
Auke Zijlstra

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of 'Euroscepticism' – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to *encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;*

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of 'Euroscepticism' – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to *dismantle* the EU;

Or. nl

Amendment 22
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to ***encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;***

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the ***idea that citizens should not need to be enticed by 'opportunities' in order to support the EU; whereas Euroscepticism does not equate to lack of knowledge of the EU, but is merely acceptant of the EU's flaws;***

Or. en

Amendment 23

Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Amendment

C. ***whereas currently 62% of the European citizens believe their voices do not count in the EU and only about half of EU citizens are optimistic about the future of the EU;*** whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to ***strengthen code of conduct for the EU executives and fix its revolving door policy, to increase transparency in EU decision process, to encourage civic participation in it and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;***

Or. en

Amendment 24

Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to *foster the development of a shared sense of European identity*, encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 25

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Amendment

C. whereas the current rise of ‘Euroscepticism’ – which culminated recently in the vote in favour of Brexit – reinforces the need to encourage civic participation and to launch an in-depth debate on European values *and training campaign on the functioning of EU institutions*, while highlighting the opportunities brought about by belonging to the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas, in this connection, pluralism, which is enshrined in Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU), is one of the core components of democracy and is defined as a system recognising diversity of thinking, conduct, political and religious opinions, and political parties;

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the Europe for Citizens programme should encourage a dialogue on the current problems of the European Union and recognize a diversity of views on the topic, whilst giving an equal weight to Eurosceptic views;

Or. en

Amendment 28

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Recital C b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cb. asserting therefore that the European Union cannot draw closer to the citizens of Member States while it continues to fail to respect the diversity of their opinions, in particular by contemptuously rejecting time after time

the outcome of referendums despite the fact that, by their very nature, they are the most democratic mechanism that exists;

Or. fr

Amendment 29
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas in line with Article 11 TEU, the EU institutions are bound to give citizens and representative associations the opportunity to publicly exchange their views in all areas of Union action; whereas this provision also entails the EU institutions' obligation to have an open, transparent and regular dialogue with civil society and the Commission's duty to carry out broad consultations with stakeholders;

Amendment

D. whereas in line with Article 11 TEU, the EU institutions are bound to give citizens and representative associations the opportunity to publicly exchange their views in all areas of Union action; whereas this provision also entails the EU institutions' obligation to have an open, transparent and regular dialogue with civil society and the Commission's duty to carry out broad consultations with stakeholders; ***whereas the Commission has already failed as regards the latter obligation, since there have been few consultations in some areas such as, for example, immigration policy;***

Or. fr

Amendment 30
Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas in line with Article 11 TEU, the EU institutions are bound to give citizens and representative associations the opportunity to publicly exchange their views in all areas of Union action; whereas

Amendment

D. whereas in line with Article 11 TEU, the EU institutions are bound to give citizens and representative associations the opportunity to publicly exchange their views in all areas of Union action; whereas

this provision also entails the EU institutions' obligation to have an open, transparent and regular dialogue with civil society and the Commission's duty to carry out broad consultations with stakeholders;

this provision also entails the EU institutions' obligation to have an open, transparent and regular dialogue with civil society and the Commission's duty to carry out broad consultations with *all* stakeholders;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas, furthermore, Article 10(3) TEU grants every citizen the right to participate in the democratic life of the Union and stipulates that decisions should be taken as openly and as closely as possible to the citizen; stressing, however, that that commitment has by no means been fully honoured by the Commission, in particular in connection with negotiations on free-trade agreements;

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details *the rights attached to it, and whereas in order to empower citizens to fully enjoy these rights, a better understanding of the EU is*

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details *that 'Citizenship of the Union shall be additional to and not replace national citizenship'*;

an important precondition;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details the rights attached to it, *and whereas* in order to empower citizens to *fully enjoy these* rights, a better understanding of the EU is an *important* precondition;

Amendment

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship, *which remains subordinate to national citizenship because, etymologically and legally, citizenship is inextricably bound up with nationality; whereas though Article 20 details the rights attached to citizenship it should also be reasserted that citizenship involves obligations; stressing, lastly, that* in order to empower citizens to *be aware of those* rights *and obligations* a better understanding of the EU is an *essential* precondition;

Or. fr

Amendment 34
Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details the rights attached to it, and whereas in order to empower citizens to fully enjoy these rights, a better understanding of the EU *is*

Amendment

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details the rights attached to it, and whereas in order to empower citizens to fully enjoy these rights, a better understanding of the EU,

an important precondition;

transparency of its decision processes and a genuine desire to implement citizens' will on the side of the EU executives are important precondition;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details the rights attached to it, and whereas in order to empower citizens to fully enjoy these rights, a better understanding of the EU is an important precondition;

Amendment

E. whereas Article 20 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) establishes the fundamental status of Union citizenship and details the rights attached to it, and whereas in order to empower citizens to fully enjoy these rights, a better understanding of the EU ***and its values*** is an important precondition;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ea. whereas active citizenship, education for citizenship and intercultural dialogue are key to building open, inclusive and resilient societies;

Amendment

Ea. whereas active citizenship, education for citizenship and intercultural dialogue are key to building open, inclusive and resilient societies;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the current programme is founded on Article 352 TFEU, which only gave Parliament the right to express its position under the consent procedure ***and was vigorously contested by Parliament at the time the proposal was submitted by the Commission;***

Amendment

F. whereas the current programme is founded on Article 352 TFEU, which only gave Parliament the right to express its position under the consent procedure; ***stressing that that legal framework is already jeopardising the legitimacy of the Europe for Citizens programme, since it excludes from the decision-taking process the only EU institution elected by universal suffrage;***

Or. fr

Amendment 38

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the current programme is founded on Article 352 TFEU, which only gave Parliament the right to express its position under the consent procedure and was vigorously contested by Parliament at the time the proposal was submitted by the Commission;

Amendment

F. whereas the current programme is founded on Article 352 TFEU, which only gave Parliament the right to express its position under the consent procedure and was vigorously contested by Parliament at the time the proposal was submitted by the Commission ***as it stands in strong contradiction with the democratic nature of the programme;***

Or. en

Amendment 39
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. *whereas the ex-post evaluation conducted by the Commission confirmed the relevance of the programme's objectives and the fact that, as it is distinct from other programmes in terms of its scope, objectives, activities and target groups, it enabled initiatives that could not have been funded elsewhere;*

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 40
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. *whereas the ex-post evaluation conducted by the Commission confirmed the relevance of the programme's objectives and the fact that, as it is distinct from other programmes in terms of its scope, objectives, activities and target groups, it enabled initiatives that could not have been funded elsewhere;*

G. *whereas, according to the study carried out by Parliament's Policy Department B, national contact points report that applicants regard the programme objectives as still being couched in too much institutional jargon, making the programme more difficult to understand;*

Or. fr

Amendment 41
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H. *whereas following the budgetary cuts resulting from the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020, the financial envelope*

deleted

for the Europe for Citizens programme was reduced by around EUR 29.5 million, and whereas the limited financial envelope of EUR 185.47 million for the programme only represents 0.0171 % of the MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. *whereas* following the budgetary cuts resulting from the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020, the financial envelope for the Europe for Citizens programme was reduced by around EUR 29.5 million, and whereas the *limited* financial envelope of EUR 185.47 million for the programme *only* represents 0.0171 % of the MFF;

Amendment

H. *noting that*, following the budgetary cuts resulting from the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020, the financial envelope for the Europe for Citizens programme was reduced by around EUR 29.5 million, and whereas the financial envelope of EUR 185.47 million for the programme represents 0.0171 % of the MFF;

Or. fr

Amendment 43
Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. *whereas* following the budgetary cuts resulting from the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020, the financial envelope for the Europe for Citizens programme was reduced by around EUR 29.5 million, and whereas the limited financial envelope of

Amendment

H. *whereas* following the budgetary cuts resulting from the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020, the financial envelope for the Europe for Citizens programme was reduced by around EUR 29.5 million, and whereas the limited financial envelope of

EUR 185.47 million for the programme
only represents 0.0171 % of the MFF;

EUR 185.47 million for the programme
represents 0.0171 % of the MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution

Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas it can be noted that Member States tends to disengage from the co-financing of these projects and that local authorities find themselves in difficulties when it comes to European projects with high co-financing rates;

Or. en

Amendment 45

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

I. whereas as a consequence of the reduction in the financial envelope, the number of projects that were able to be financed in 2014 fell by almost 25% compared to the previous programme;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 46

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. ***whereas as a consequence of the reduction in the financial envelope***, the number of projects that were able to be financed in 2014 fell by almost 25 % compared to the previous programme;

Amendment

I. ***stressing that*** the number of projects that were able to be financed in 2014 fell by almost 25 % compared to the previous programme; ***whereas to a large extent that stems from the imbalance in funding disbursements for the programme's strands, since only 20% of the budget is allocated to the 'European remembrance' strand, as opposed to 60% to the 'Democratic engagement and civic participation' strand, and a decision has been taken to give priority to projects on migration-related topics;***

Or. fr

Amendment 47
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 48
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. ***whereas further synergies with other programmes and better communication with other DGs are***

Amendment

Ia. ***whereas non-formal and informal learning, as well as volunteering, sport, arts and culture, provide many opportunities for citizenship education and active citizenship;***

Or. en

Amendment

deleted

needed in order to reduce overlap and reinforce the impact of the programme;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas *further synergies with other programmes and better communication with other DGs are needed in order to reduce overlap and reinforce the impact of the programme;*

Amendment

J. whereas *the fact that the programme is run jointly by several DGs, including the Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, may sow confusion as to its real objectives and undermine its effectiveness;*

Or. fr

Amendment 50
Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas further synergies with other programmes and better communication with other DGs are needed in order to reduce overlap and reinforce the impact of the programme;

Amendment

J. whereas further synergies with other *direct and indirect financing* programmes and better communication with other DGs are needed in order to reduce overlap and reinforce the impact of the programme, *also with regard to the reporting of results;*

Or. it

Amendment 51
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. Repeats its call for a stronger role in setting the priorities and objectives of the programme; stresses that priorities must be set in an impartial manner and independently of political factors;

Or. el

Amendment 52
Michaela Šojdrová

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. Having regard to the proven worth of the existing international twinning of cities and municipalities (Town twinning — Networks of Towns), which enhances mutual understanding between citizens and fosters friendship and cooperation;

Or. cs

Amendment 53
Auke Zijlstra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1a. Rejects the proposal below. Considers it impossible for the European Commission to cultivate understanding of EU realism by continuing the ‘Europe for Citizens’ Programme, as the Commission has never displayed any understanding of EU realism and describes any criticism as

Amendment 54

Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is negligible in comparison with other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Amendment

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Amendment 55

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is negligible in comparison with other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Amendment

1. Notes the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) for the Europe for Citizens programme and reiterates that its success will not depend solely on the budget allocated to it, but above all on its ability to define goals that correspond to what citizens really want, with listening more to their opinions and demands being particularly necessary;

Amendment 56

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the **only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the** Europe for Citizens programme, is **negligible in comparison with other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion)**;

Amendment

1. Underlines that the overall funding available **of** EUR 185.47 million to the Europe for Citizens programme, is **a vast amount of taxpayers money, and is completely unnecessary**;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. **Underlines** that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the **only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the** Europe for Citizens programme, **is negligible in comparison with** other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Amendment

1. **Notes** that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the Europe for Citizens programme **is lower than** other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Or. en

Amendment 58

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is ***negligible in comparison with*** other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Amendment

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is ***not proportionate to that of*** other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion);

Or. it

Amendment 59
Petra Kammerevert

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is negligible in comparison with other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion); ;

Amendment

1. Underlines that the overall funding available (EUR 185.47 million) to the only programme entirely dedicated to European citizenship, i.e. the Europe for Citizens programme, is negligible in comparison with other education and culture programmes, such as Creative Europe (EUR 1.46 billion) and Erasmus + (EUR 14.7 billion), ***with the result that applicants' expectations will be disappointed;***

Or. de

Amendment 60
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, causing frustration among candidates with valuable projects; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 61
Zdzisław Krasnodebski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, causing frustration among candidates with valuable projects; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 62
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme *is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, causing frustration among candidates with valuable projects;*

Amendment

2. Recognises that *the imbalance between the funds earmarked for Strand 1 (20 %) and those earmarked for Strand 2 (60 %), as well as objectives that do not always meet the real expectations of Member State citizens, represent* the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme;

Or. fr

Amendment 63

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. *Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, causing frustration among candidates with valuable projects;*

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 64

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, ***causing frustration among candidates with valuable projects***;

Amendment

2. Recognises that the main obstacle to the successful implementation of the programme is the insufficient financial allocation and deeply regrets that it was cut by 13.7 % under the MFF 2014-2020, which has dramatically reduced the number of financeable projects and means that the high demand cannot be met, ***creating an internal contradiction between the values that Europe seeks to transmit through that programme and the real financial contribution needed to support it***;

Or. it

Amendment 65

Auke Zijlstra

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

2a. Considers it incomprehensible and indicative of a serious lack of expertise that the rapporteur has concluded that the low success rate of 'Europe for Citizens' projects is due to the lack of financing, without adducing any facts in support of this;

Amendment

Or. nl

Amendment 66

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Notes that, owing to budgetary

Amendment

deleted

constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA); indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Zdzisław Krasnodebski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. *Notes that, owing to budgetary constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA); indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased;*

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 68
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Notes *that, owing to budgetary constraints*, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low *in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA)*; indicates that *the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased*;

Amendment

3. Notes *that at mid-term, the programme has had a very poor rate of success as* the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low; indicates that *a debate should be launched, following a public consultation, on the programme's goals so that they truly match the needs of Member State citizens, and not the EU's political expectations*;

Or. fr

Amendment 69

Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Lybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Notes that, owing to budgetary constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low *in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA)*; indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased;

Amendment

3. Notes that, owing to budgetary constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low, *ending up in generating more frustration than enthusiasm among those responsible for projects, having deleterious effects on the image of the programme itself*; indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased *in order to reach the objective of 1,000 projects per year*;

Amendment 70

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

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

3. Notes that, ***owing to budgetary constraints***, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA); ***indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased***;

Amendment

3. Notes that the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA);

Or. en

Amendment 71

Momchil Nekov

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

3. Notes that, owing to budgetary constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA);

Amendment

3. Notes that, owing to budgetary constraints, the total number of funded projects is too small to achieve the programme's ambitious goals and that only around 6 % of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects were able to be financed in 2015, which is very low in comparison to the Creative Europe programme results for the same year (19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA);

indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased;

indicates that the funding for these two strands of the Europe for Citizens programme should be substantially increased *in line with the ambitions of the programme*;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Auke Zijlstra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Utterly rejects the fact that the rapporteur supports the squandering of taxpayers' money on such programmes as 'Democratic Engagement and Civic Participation', with 'Understanding and Debating Euroscepticism' as its main pillar;

Or. nl

Amendment 73
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Recalls furthermore that in view of its limited budget, programme grants ought to focus on projects run by associations or institutional authorities in the Member States and not be dispensed to projects run by non-Member State third countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 74
Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. **Welcomes** the Europe for Citizens newsletter and the database on funded projects, launched by the Commission;

Amendment

4. **Disapproves of** the Europe for Citizens newsletter and the database on funded projects, launched by the Commission, **as this amounts to waste of resources**;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. **Welcomes** the Europe for Citizens newsletter and the database on funded projects, launched by the Commission;

Amendment

4. **Notes** the Europe for Citizens newsletter and the database on funded projects, launched by the Commission;

Or. fr

Amendment 76
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Highlights the fact that the Europe for Citizens' National Contact Points (NCPs) have an important role in raising awareness and providing support and guidance to potential applicants (in particular first-time applicants in target countries);

Amendment

5. Highlights the fact that the Europe for Citizens' National Contact Points (NCPs) have an important role in raising awareness and providing support and guidance to potential applicants (in particular first-time applicants in target countries); **recalls that National Contact**

Points are the most suitable level at which to meet the expectations of potential candidates or organisations and that their capacity to support programme beneficiaries whose application has been successful should be developed;

Or. fr

Amendment 77

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Highlights the fact that the Europe for Citizens' National Contact Points (NCPs) have an important role in raising awareness and providing support and guidance to potential applicants (in particular first-time applicants in target countries);

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 78

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Highlights the fact that the Europe for Citizens' National Contact Points (NCPs) have an important role in raising awareness and providing support and guidance to potential applicants (in particular first-time applicants in target countries);

5. Highlights the fact that the Europe for Citizens' National Contact Points (NCPs) have an important role in raising awareness and providing support and guidance to potential applicants (in particular first-time applicants in target countries), *as well as European and national associations of local and regional government and civil society*

organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 79

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Welcomes the multidisciplinary approach of the programme, its clear and simple application form and reporting requirements and its focus on specific activities;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 80

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Welcomes the multidisciplinary approach of the programme, its clear and simple application form and reporting requirements *and its focus on specific activities*;

6. Acknowledges that the multidisciplinary approach of the programme *and* its clear and simple application form and reporting requirements *have been appreciated by the National Contact Points responsible for implementation; reiterates however that Parliament ought to have a role to play in defining the priorities, which are currently defined solely by the Commission*;

Or. fr

Amendment 81
Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Welcomes the multidisciplinary approach of the programme, its clear and simple application form and reporting requirements and its focus on specific activities;

Amendment

6. Welcomes the multidisciplinary approach of the programme, its clear and simple application form (*available in all the official languages*) and reporting requirements and its focus on specific activities;

Or. de

Amendment 82
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. *Welcomes the fact that the priorities defined for both strands of the programme, ‘European Remembrance’ and ‘Democratic engagement and civic participation’, which were previously modified annually, have henceforth become multiannual and will apply throughout the remaining period of the programme (2016-2020);*

Amendment

7. *Notes that for the programme’s priorities multiannual programming is more efficient; expresses some doubts however as to the relevance of some priorities, such as the one concerning Euro-scepticism as this discriminates against all citizens daring to have a different view of Europe;*

Or. fr

Amendment 83
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected; ***considers also that the high number of applications – 2 087 in 2014 and 2 791 in 2015 – and the quality of projects indicate a high level of interest in the programme;***

Amendment

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected;

Or. fr

Amendment 84

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Mircea Diaconu, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8**

Motion for a resolution

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected; considers also that the high number of applications – 2 087 in 2014 and 2 791 in 2015 – and the quality of projects indicate a high level of interest in the programme;

Amendment

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected; considers also that the high number of applications – 2 087 in 2014 and 2 791 in 2015 – and the quality of projects indicate a high level of interest in the programme ***and the need to dedicate more human and financial resources to the programme in order to increase the number of projects supported;***

Or. en

Amendment 85

Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Lybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Giorgos Grammatikakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected; considers also that the high number of applications – 2 087 in 2014 and 2 791 in 2015 – and the quality of projects indicate a high level of interest in the programme;

Amendment

8. Acknowledges the fact that the impact of the programme remains proportionally high, as is shown by the fact that in 2015 an estimated 1 100 000 participants were involved in the 408 projects selected; considers also that the high number of applications – 2 087 in 2014 and 2 791 in 2015 – and the quality of projects indicate a high level of interest in the programme, ***and the need for the EU to dedicate more resources to the programme in order to increase the number of projects supported;***

Or. en

Amendment 86

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 3

Motion for a resolution

Financial aspects of implementation

Amendment

Legal aspects of implementation

Or. en

Amendment 87

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Mircea Diaconu, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-9a. Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens

programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions to achieve this objective;

Or. en

Amendment 88

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Aixelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Yana Toom

**Motion for a resolution
Subheading 3 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Financial aspect of implementation

Or. en

**Amendment 89
Louise Bours**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300

deleted

million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 90

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodebski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 91

Zdzisław Krasnodebski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe *deleted*

programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. *Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;*

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 93
Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, **as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme**), a **60 %** increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate **of 20 % of funded projects**; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR **300** million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;

Amendment

9. **Regarding the decisive role played by this programme as a prerequisite for citizens' participation in the democratic life of the Union**, considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %), a **substantial** increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a **higher** target rate; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR **500** million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF, **which only represent 1 € per citizen**;

Or. en

Amendment 94

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9**

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that, **given the low rate of success** of the **European Remembrance and Civil Society projects** in the Europe for Citizens programme (**6 %**, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;

Amendment

9. Considers that **high quality projects have been rejected because of the lack of sufficient funding** in the Europe for Citizens Programme, **such as the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects (6 % of rate of success**, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe Programme); **Considers that** a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens

programme under the next MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), **a 60 % increase** in the **current budget** would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, **the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF**;

Amendment

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), **better management of the current budget, in particular through sharing the funds out better between the two strands**, would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission **to review the programme's financial structure along these lines**;

Or. fr

Amendment 96
Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate

Amendment

9. Considers that, given the low rate of success of the European Remembrance and Civil Society projects in the Europe for Citizens programme (6 %, as against 19.64 % for Culture and 45.6 % for MEDIA in the Creative Europe programme), a 60 % increase in the current budget would be necessary in order to achieve a target rate

of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF;

of 20 % of funded projects; calls, therefore, on the Commission, the Council and the Member States to consider a total financial envelope of approximately EUR 300 million for the Europe for Citizens programme under the next MFF, *also in order to give sufficient funding for the new chapter "Know Europe"*;

Or. en

Amendment 97

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 98

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 99
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

Amendment

10. Recommends that the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget, ***be given greater prominence as this is a tool with great potential for democratising the EU institutions, in that it enables one million EU citizens to play a direct part in EU policy-making by asking the European Commission to present a legislative proposal;***

Or. fr

Amendment 100

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. ***Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which*** is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

Amendment

10. ***Highlights the common goal of the European citizens' initiative (ECI) and the Europe for Citizens Programme in enabling citizens to participate directly in the development of EU policies; therefore calls on the Commission to ensure the synergy between the two actions and that ECI's implementation will not undermine the budget already allocated for EFC, since ECI is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;***

Or. en

Amendment 101

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Recommends that ***another source of funding be found for*** the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

Amendment

10. Recommends that ***the principal purpose and implementation of*** the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget ***is re-evaluated prior to considering further funding recommendations;***

Or. en

Amendment 102

Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Łybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget;

Amendment

10. Recommends that another source of funding be found for the Europe for Citizens Initiative (ECI), which is currently financed under the Europe for Citizens budget ***and asks Member States to be more involved in the financial support to these projects;***

Or. en

Amendment 103

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes that the lump sum or flat rate system should take into consideration the price differences across the EU, depending

Amendment

11. Notes that the lump sum or flat rate system should take into consideration the price differences across the EU, depending

on the costs of living in the Member States; recommends rethinking this scheme in order to ensure the sustainability of the funded projects and to better support cooperation among local administrations or organisations at a wider distance, especially smaller organisations with limited financial capacity and participants with special needs;

on the costs of living in the Member States; recommends rethinking this scheme in order to ensure the sustainability of the funded projects and to better support cooperation among local administrations or organisations at a wider distance, especially smaller organisations with limited financial capacity and participants with special needs, *especially those with disabilities necessitating special adaptations to ensure accessibility*;

Or. fr

Amendment 104 **Hermann Winkler**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 11**

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes that the lump sum or flat rate system should take into consideration the price differences across the EU, depending on the costs of living in the Member States; recommends rethinking this scheme in order to ensure the sustainability of the funded projects and to better support cooperation among local administrations or organisations at a wider distance, *especially* smaller organisations with limited financial capacity and participants with special needs;

Amendment

11. Notes that the lump sum or flat rate system should take into consideration the price differences across the EU, depending on the costs of living in the Member States; recommends rethinking this scheme *and the reduction in pre-financing* in order to ensure the sustainability of the funded projects and to better support cooperation among local administrations or organisations at a wider distance, *and in particular to facilitate the involvement of* smaller organisations with limited financial capacity and participants with special needs;

Or. de

Amendment 105 **Petra Kammerevert**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. *Notes that a further parameter should be incorporated into the lump sum or flat rate system, so that persons with special needs can be accommodated more effectively, since many more staff and, often, additional measures, which in turn generate higher costs, are needed in order to enable persons with a disability to participate;*

Or. de

Amendment 106
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. *Underlines that operating grants guarantee independence to beneficiaries (i.e. Think Tanks) and offer the possibility of long-term planning to realise vision-oriented activities and to develop expertise; recommends the use of specific criteria, indicators and annual reporting to monitor progress towards their goals and to make sure that these funding schemes do not lead to the beneficiary's dependency on the Commission;*

12. *Recommends that operating grants be replaced by targeted project grants; considers that there is a serious risk of operating subsidies leading to the beneficiary's dependency on the Commission;*

Or. fr

Amendment 107
Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Łybacka

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Underlines that operating grants guarantee independence to beneficiaries (*i.e. Think Tanks*) and offer the possibility of long-term planning to realise vision-oriented activities and to develop expertise; recommends the use of specific criteria, indicators and annual reporting to monitor progress towards their goals **and** to make sure that these funding schemes do not lead to the beneficiary's dependency on the Commission;

Amendment

12. Underlines that operating grants guarantee independence to beneficiaries and offer the possibility of long-term planning to realise vision-oriented activities and to develop expertise; recommends the use of specific criteria, indicators and annual reporting to monitor progress towards their goals, to make sure that these funding schemes do not lead to the beneficiary's dependency on the Commission, **and possibly limit its support up to 50% of the budget of beneficiary organisations**;

Or. en

Amendment 108

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to gather together all useful information regarding the Europe for Citizens programme (programme guide, priorities, calls for proposals, ongoing and past projects, outcome and lessons learned, newsletter), along with all the programmes, actions, grants and structural funds that come under the umbrella of European citizenship (such as the European Citizens' Initiative and the European Voluntary Service), in a unique, user-friendly communication portal (one-stop-shop online platform); recommends that this platform should be used as a public register of the beneficiaries' contact details and as a tool to access the projects' descriptions and to find partners in other countries;

Amendment

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Amendment 109
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the *Commission* to gather together all useful information regarding the Europe for Citizens programme (programme guide, priorities, calls for proposals, ongoing and past projects, outcome and lessons learned, newsletter), along with all the programmes, actions, grants and structural funds that come under the umbrella of European citizenship (such as the European Citizens' Initiative and the European Voluntary Service), in a unique, user-friendly communication portal (one-stop-shop online platform); recommends that this platform should be used as a public register of the beneficiaries' contact details and as a tool to access the projects' descriptions and to find partners in other countries;

Amendment

13. Calls on *willing Member States* to gather together all useful information regarding the Europe for Citizens programme (programme guide, priorities, calls for proposals, ongoing and past projects, outcome and lessons learned, newsletter), along with all the programmes, actions, grants and structural funds that come under the umbrella of European citizenship (such as the European Citizens' Initiative and the European Voluntary Service), in a unique, user-friendly communication portal (one-stop-shop online platform); recommends that this platform should be used as a public register of the beneficiaries' contact details and as a tool to access the projects' descriptions and to find partners in other countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 110
Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Luigi Morgano, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on the Commission to gather together all useful information regarding the Europe for Citizens programme (programme guide, priorities, calls for proposals, ongoing and past projects,

Amendment

13. Calls on the Commission to gather together all useful information regarding the Europe for Citizens programme (programme guide, priorities, calls for proposals, ongoing and past projects,

outcome and lessons learned, newsletter), along with all the programmes, actions, grants and structural funds that come under the umbrella of European citizenship (such as the European Citizens' Initiative and the European Voluntary Service), in a unique, user-friendly communication portal (one-stop-shop online platform); recommends that this platform should be used as a public register of the beneficiaries' contact details and as a tool to access the projects' descriptions and to find partners in other countries;

outcome and lessons learned, newsletter), along with all the programmes, actions, grants and structural funds that come under the umbrella of European citizenship (such as the European Citizens' Initiative and the European Voluntary Service), in a unique, user-friendly communication portal (one-stop-shop online platform), ***also accessible to persons with disabilities***; recommends that this platform should be used as a public register of the beneficiaries' contact details and as a tool to access the projects' descriptions and to find partners in other countries;

Or. en

Amendment 111

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Recommends as well the creation of an online platform for the main organisations working in the field of citizenship and benefiting from the programme in order to pool good practices, reinforce capacities and strengthen visibility once projects finish;

Or. en

Amendment 112

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to

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implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. ***Calls on the Commission to implement*** an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, ***especially those in which the level of participation is lower;***

Amendment

14. ***Notes that*** an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, ***could be useful, while pointing out that communication alone will not be enough to bring citizens closer to the EU and that instruments are needed to assess and meet real public expectations; points out that the funds earmarked for communication purposes should not be spent on communicating EU political priorities;***

Or. fr

Amendment 114
Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to ***consider other ways of publicising the***

strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

programme, in order to raise its profile and make the public more aware of its objectives, for example by implementing an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Or. de

Amendment 115

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Luigi Morgano, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower, *in particular young people, persons with disabilities and vulnerable people;*

Or. en

Amendment 116

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchuk

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using

social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

social networks, **reinforcing local engagement in the programme and** constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Or. en

Amendment 117

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, **radio and TV advertisement, and billboards**, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Or. en

Amendment 118

Momchil Nekov

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission to implement an engaging communication strategy **with the active involvement of NCPs** for European citizenship by using social networks, constantly updating the content and reaching new audiences in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Amendment 119

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Urges the participating countries which have not yet done so to designate a national contact point; recommends reinforcing the coordination and synergy among these countries, the Member States and the Commission;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 120

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Urges the participating countries which have not yet done so to designate a national contact point; recommends reinforcing the coordination and synergy among these countries, the Member States and the Commission;

15. Recommends that participating countries which have not yet done so designate a national contact point;

Or. fr

Amendment 121

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Lybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi, Giorgos Grammatikakis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. *Calls on the Commission to increase even more its efforts on the administrative simplification, considering that formal requirements are sometimes difficult to overcome for particularly small organisations that should not be discriminated against for bureaucratic reasons;*

Or. en

Amendment 122
Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Recommends that the funds allocated to communication should not be used to cover institutional communication of the priorities of the Union, as is currently set out in Article 12 of the present programme, but should be *used to publicise the programme itself in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;*

16. Recommends that the funds allocated to communication should not be used to cover institutional communication of the priorities of the Union, as is currently set out in Article 12 of the present programme, but should be *redirected towards campaigns to promote or raise awareness of major objectives, such as measures to combat Alzheimer's disease or other health priorities in Europe, research activity and the benefits of sport;*

Or. fr

Amendment 123
Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. **Recommends** that the funds allocated to communication **should not be** used to cover institutional communication of the priorities of the Union, as is currently set out in Article 12 of the present programme, **but** should be used to publicise the programme itself in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Amendment

16. **Regrets** that the funds allocated to communication **are** used to cover institutional communication of the priorities of the Union, as is currently set out in Article 12 of the present programme, **and recommends that they** should be used to publicise the programme itself in the participating countries, especially those in which the level of participation is lower;

Or. it

Amendment 124

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 125

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Recommends, in the next generation programme, formalising the multiannual approach in the definition of the priorities and enhancing synergies among the strands and the components of

Amendment

16a. Calls the Commission and the EACEA to publicly account for the expenses incurred through strand 3 on Horizontal Action - Valorisation - Analysis, dissemination and use of project results;

Or. en

Amendment

17. Recommends, in the next generation programme, formalising the multiannual approach in the definition of the priorities and enhancing synergies among the strands and the components of

the programme; stresses that changing the structure of the programme might lead to confusion and *reduce its impact*;

the programme; stresses that changing the structure of the programme might lead to confusion and *that it is therefore advisable for all upstream actors, including the public, to be more closely involved in policy formulation*;

Or. fr

Amendment 126

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Recommends, in the next generation programme, formalising the multiannual approach in the definition of the priorities and enhancing synergies among the strands and the components of the programme; stresses that *changing* the structure of the programme *might lead* to confusion *and reduce* its impact;

Amendment

17. Recommends, in the next generation programme, formalising the multiannual approach in the definition of the priorities and enhancing synergies among the strands and the components of the programme; stresses that *any changes to* the structure of the programme *should be made in such a way as to prevent the possibility of confusion for its end users, thereby reducing* its impact;

Or. it

Amendment 127

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. *Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe,*

Amendment

18. *Stresses that, if the programme is to bring the EU closer to its citizens, it should begin by taking into account their views, as regards programme priorities for example, including in particular priority 2. 3. entitled 'Combating stigmatisation of "immigrants" and building counter*

on issues such as migration, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue;

narratives to foster intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding’; points out that the majority of citizens in the Member States, for example 56% of French voters, not to mention 98.3% of Hungarian voters in the referendum on the migrant quotas imposed by Brussels, are against accepting more migrants;

Or. fr

Amendment 128
Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of *the programme* the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as *migration*, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of "*Democratic engagement & civic participation*" strand the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as *promoting different forms of solidarity, countering stigmatisation of "immigrants" and citizens with different political opinions*, fostering social inclusion and intercultural dialogue;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU,

Amendment

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU,

allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, social inclusion *and* intercultural dialogue;

allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, *refugees*, social inclusion, *management of diversity*, intercultural dialogue, *and the identification of the common European cultural legacy*;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, social *and societal* inclusion *of minorities, the prevention of radicalisation* and intercultural dialogue;

Or. de

Amendment 131
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights

Amendment

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights

within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for **Europe**, on issues such as migration, social inclusion and **intercultural dialogue**;

within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for **the citizens**, on issues such as migration, social inclusion and **finance**;

Or. el

Amendment 132

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the strong focus on citizens and societal aspects of the EU, allowing EU institutions to directly engage with civil society on the ground; highlights within the priorities of the programme the importance of projects focused on current challenges for Europe, on issues such as migration, social inclusion and intercultural dialogue; ***invites the Commission and Member States to strengthen the links between the programme's priorities and the policies linked to European citizenship as well as the daily life of European citizens***;

Or. en

Amendment 133

Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Argues that the programme should reach out to a wider range of participants, guarantee the participation of people with

special needs, promote the participation of marginalised and disenfranchised people, including migrants, refugees and asylum people;

Or. en

Amendment 134
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Stresses the need to guarantee a gender balance in participants and to take into account the gender perspective when selecting projects;

Or. en

Amendment 135
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18c. Is of the opinion that, where relevant, the programme should build on existing successful grassroots initiatives such as town twinning;

Or. en

Amendment 136
Lars Adaktusson

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

deleted

Or. sv

Amendment 137

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 138

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

19. Recalls that ‘without a past, there can be no future’ and that no cultural identity can be created from nothing; points out that it is therefore only by enhancing their own heritage and traditions, highlighting their shared Greek and Latin philosophical origins and Christian roots, that Member State citizens will be able to regain awareness

of their common cultural values;

Or. fr

Amendment 139

Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – *within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;*

Amendment

19. *Welcomes "European remembrance" strand which focuses on the history of the totalitarian regimes in Europe; stresses the need to develop within this strand European and national identities which are based on deep-rooted knowledge of one's own history and culture, and common and shared European values;*

Or. en

Amendment 140

Andrew Lewer, Angel Dzhambazki, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a *European* identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, *with a view to achieving common secular integration;*

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a *constructive debate on* identity that should be oriented towards the future *of EU Member States* and not only the past;

Or. en

Amendment 141

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be ***oriented towards the future and not only the past***, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be ***plural, transcultural, dynamic, and cosmopolitan, open to migration flows and the influences from the rest of the world, oriented towards the future***, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Michaela Šojdrová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common ***secular*** integration;

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common integration ***founded on European values and the European spiritual heritage***;

Or. cs

Amendment 143
Luigi Morgano

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop –

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop –

within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common *secular* integration;

within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common integration;

Or. en

Amendment 144
Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration; *in this perspective it is important, when learning about the past, to ensure heritage and history is not used as a divisive tool but as an opportunity to address contemporary challenges through sensitive interpretation and skilful, targeted education programmes;*

Or. en

Amendment 145
Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration;

Amendment

19. Stresses the need to develop – within the ‘European Remembrance’ strand – a European identity that should be oriented towards the future and not only the past, with a view to achieving common secular integration; *emphasises, however,*

in that connection, the importance of the experience which older people in particular can draw on in this area, experience which should be made available to younger generations by fostering inter-generational project work;

Or. de

Amendment 146
Zdzisław Krasnodębski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Stresses that the programme should not turn into mean of support for only 'Euro-enthusiastic' projects which determine ever closer Union as the only proper direction of the development of the EU, justified by historical determinism and shaped by teleological thinking; emphasize the necessity that the priority concerning understanding euroscepticism and critical debating of the EU should be implemented as a matter on which different views are or could be held and to expound those different views as impartially as possible;

Or. en

Amendment 147
Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Proposes the creation of the chapter "Know Europe", within the "Europe for the Citizens" programme, devoted to financing research and

outreach activities regarding the valorisation of the European common cultural legacy and the promotion of a European approach to the study of the continent's history, overcoming strictly national outlooks;

Or. en

Amendment 148

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Lybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Stresses the need to encourage projects presenting new formats of discussion with citizens, in an attractive format and style, presenting multidimensional approach;

Or. en

Amendment 149

Jonás Fernández, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Sylvie Guillaume

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19b. Proposes the yearly publication by the Commission of a synthetic report containing the main proposals for the improvement of the European construction that are voiced by the participants in the projects financed by the "Europe for the Citizens" programme;

Or. en

Amendment 150

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. **Stresses the need to enrich** the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Amendment

20. **Recommends strongly that** the programme **be enriched** with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Or. it

Amendment 151

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Łybacka, Damian Drăghici, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Amendment

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, **in a way that contributes to empowering citizens to make use of their rights**, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 152

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Amendment

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy; ***points out, however, that such tools cannot be effective if the EU persists in disparaging other tools of direct democracy such as referendums and accordingly expresses disquiet at the numerous utterances by the Commission President, who has regularly found fault with national referendums, not least those which have been held in Greece; maintains that if European leaders adopt attitudes of this kind, European peoples are likely to become increasingly distrustful of the EU;***

Or. fr

Amendment 153

Julie Ward, Sylvie Guillaume

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy;

Amendment

20. Stresses the need to enrich the programme with proposals regarding citizens' participation in the democratic process and in EU decision-making, for instance through the implementation of e-democracy; ***in order to do this, the Union and its Member States should develop actions and policies for strengthening transferable, critical, creative thinking skills and digital and media literacy, inclusion and curiosity of their citizens, especially children and youth, so that they will be able to make informed decisions and contribute positively to democratic processes;***

Amendment 154

Louise Bours

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in neighbouring countries;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 155

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in neighbouring countries;

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 156

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Recommends *more* internationalisation of the programme

21. Recommends, *that third countries not be included in the programme and/or*

and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in neighbouring countries;

subsidy payments, given that funding is limited and the time is not yet ripe;

Or. fr

Amendment 157

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in *neighbouring* countries;

Amendment

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in *third* countries;

Or. it

Amendment 158

Sylvie Guillaume, Julie Ward, Krystyna Lybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi, Giorgos Grammatikakis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in neighbouring countries;

Amendment

21. Recommends more internationalisation of the programme and proposes to promote cooperation between organisations in the EU and in neighbouring countries *on the European values*;

Or. en

Amendment 159

Michaela Šojdrová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. *Stresses the need to develop the Europe for Citizens Programme in terms of town twinning, focusing on ways of making greater use of the scheme, its promotion and its results, including adequate allocation of financial resources;*

Or. cs

Amendment 160

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Legal aspects of implementation

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 161

María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Santiago Fisas Ayxelà, Curzio Maltese, Helga Trüpel, Sylvie Guillaume, Yana Toom, Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. *Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions*

deleted

to achieve this objective;

Or. en

Amendment 162

Dominique Bilde

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions to achieve this objective;

Amendment

22. Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; ***points out also that the European Parliament is still, despite everything, the only European institution directly elected by citizens***; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions to achieve this objective;

Or. fr

Amendment 163

Sylvie Guillaume, Krystyna Lybacka, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Marlene Mizzi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions to achieve this objective;

Amendment

22. Recommends that the next generation of the Europe for Citizens programme should be adopted with a legal base enabling Parliament to be involved in the adoption of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council; encourages the Commission to think of possible solutions to achieve this objective, ***and considers it to be a***

*necessary precondition for any future
discussion with the European Parliament
on that matter;*

Or. en