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AMENDMENTS
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Draft opinion
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2018 discharge: Translation Centre for the Bodies of the European Union (CdT)
(2019/2072(DEC))
**Amendment 1**  
Andrey Slabakov, Dace Melbārde

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Reaffirms its *strong* commitment to multilingualism in the Union as one of the fundamental prerequisites for the proper functioning of the Union’s democratic system; acknowledges the role that the Centre plays in facilitating the work of the Union’s agencies and bodies by means of delivering high-quality translation and language services;

*Amendment*

1. Reaffirms its *unwavering* commitment to multilingualism in the Union as one of the fundamental prerequisites for the proper functioning of the Union’s democratic system; *highlights the need to treat translation and language services of all Member State languages equally*; acknowledges the role that the Centre plays in facilitating the work of the Union’s agencies and bodies by means of delivering high-quality translation and language services *in all official languages of the Union*;

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Łukasz Kohut

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

1. Reaffirms its strong commitment to multilingualism in the Union and the coverage of all official languages of the Union as one of the fundamental prerequisites for the proper functioning of the Union’s transnational democratic system; acknowledges the role that the Centre plays in facilitating the work of the Union’s agencies and bodies by means of delivering high-quality translation and language services; *recalls the fact that having a specialised entity to cover translation for Union bodies, offices and agencies has brought economies of scale and efficiency gains*;
Amendment 3
Łukasz Kohut

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

1. Reaffirms its strong commitment to multilingualism in the Union as one of the fundamental prerequisites for the proper functioning of the Union’s democratic system reflecting its cultural and regional diversity; acknowledges the role that the Centre plays in facilitating the work of the Union’s agencies and bodies by means of delivering high-quality translation and language services;

Amendment 4
Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Łukasz Kohut

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

1 a. Welcomes the fact that translation for Union bodies, offices and agencies is provided by a public Union agency; notes the strength of the Centre as a long standing Union agency endowed with 200 experienced staff;

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Amendment 5
Željana Zovko

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

*Draft opinion*

2. Notes with appreciation the continued impact of the pricing structure introduced in 2017 for the translation of documents, which corresponded to a saving of EUR 4,4 million for the Centre’s clients in 2018;

*Amendment*

2. Notes with appreciation, *and highlights the positive effects of*, the continued impact of the pricing structure introduced in 2017 for the translation of documents, which corresponded to a saving of EUR 4,4 million for the Centre’s clients in 2018;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Andrey Slabakov

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

*Draft opinion*

3. Urges the Centre to adopt a sustainable business model in accordance with the Transformation Plan devised following the external “Study on the Translation Centre as the Linguistic Shared Service Provider for the EU Agencies and Bodies”; encourages the Centre to fulfil the implementation of those actions which would help adapt the new business model to technological advances, such as the web translation and speech recognition project;

*Amendment*

3. *Notes also the insufficient progress made in clarifying the future mandate and business model of the Centre;* urges the Centre, *therefore,* to adopt a sustainable business model in accordance with the Transformation Plan devised following the external “Study on the Translation Centre as the Linguistic Shared Service Provider for the EU Agencies and Bodies”; encourages the Centre to fulfil the implementation of those actions which would help adapt the new business model to technological advances, such as the web translation and speech recognition project;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Andrey Slabakov, Dace Melbärde

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4
Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that the Centre has not completed the anti-fraud plan which was targeted to be implemented by the end of 2018 and which had an implementation rate of 66% in 2018;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that the Centre has not completed the anti-fraud plan which was targeted to be implemented by the end of 2018 and which had an implementation rate of 66% in 2018; urges the Centre to speed up the implementation of that plan; invites the Centre to report to Parliament on its progress by the second half of 2020;

Or. en