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to the Commission**

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Subject: The pertinence of the European Pillar of Social Rights

The aim of implementing specific social policies to balance the fiscal constraints relating to economic governance is to organise some kind of social governance. In order to balance economic and social objectives, consideration is currently being given to establishing a European Pillar of Social Rights. In order to make it effective, some are advocating the organisation of a form of pan-European solidarity in the fields of social welfare, education and health, by means of specific funding. Clearly, it is a question here of remedying the excesses of Europe by extending its prerogatives to the detriment of the Member States. Such a mechanism could supplement the programmes of the EU funds, but raises a serious question:

has the Commission proposed an impact assessment to assess whether such a European solidarity system would not ultimately destabilise surviving social welfare systems in the Member States?