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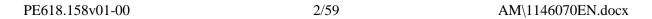
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# AMENDMENTS 1 - 124

**Draft opinion João Pimenta Lopes**(PE616.742v01-00)

Implementation report on the EU Youth Strategy (2017/2259(INI))

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# Amendment 1 Georgi Pirinski

# Draft opinion Recital A

## Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat further 18,3 % of young people in EU28 aged 20 to 34 are neither in employment, nor in education or training;

Or. en

# Amendment 2 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

# Draft opinion Recital A

## Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment in the EU28 is steadily decreasing and stood at 16.1% in December 2017<sup>1a</sup> although this rate remains double the overall unemployment rate and there are considerable differences between Member States; whereas this rate is still unacceptably high and must be reduced in order to realise young people's full potential;

*1a* 

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/29 95521/8631691/3-31012018-BP-EN.pdf/bdc1dbf2-6511-4dc5-ac90dbadee96f5fb

Amendment 3
João Pimenta Lopes
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

# Draft opinion Recital A

# Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to *Eurostat*, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to *EUROSTAT*, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries; whereas, although this figure was lower than in previous years, youth unemployment is still very high, with long-term unemployment still showing very high percentages;

Or. pt

Amendment 4 Jérôme Lavrilleux

# Draft opinion Recital A

# Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries, *which is an unacceptable level*;

Or. fr

Amendment 5 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Agnes Jongerius

Draft opinion Recital A

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, with the average rate disguising vast differences between Member States, even exceeding 40% in some countries, preventing a one-size fits all solution across the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion Recital A

# Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7 % in 2016, even exceeding 40 % in some countries;

#### **Amendment**

A. whereas, despite the fact that according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7 % in 2016, even exceeding 40 % in some countries, the rate of youth unemployment has been gradually decreasing in recent years;

Or. es

Amendment 7 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital A

# Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries;

# Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7% in 2016, even exceeding 40% in some countries; whereas, when compared with the figures from 2008 (15.6%), we can see that the rate has increased;

# Amendment 8 Mara Bizzotto, Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

# Draft opinion Recital A

# Draft opinion

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7 % in 2016, even exceeding 40 % in some countries;

#### Amendment

A. whereas, according to Eurostat, youth unemployment stood at 18.7 % in 2016, even exceeding 40 % in some countries, and whereas around one in three European young people aged between 18 and 24 live in difficult conditions and are at risk of poverty or social exclusion;

Or. it

Amendment 9
João Pimenta Lopes
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Aa. whereas, as a consequence of disinvestment in social services and benefits, the economic and financial crisis, job precarity and the deregulation of the labour market, the percentage of young people living in situations of poverty and social exclusion has increased; whereas, in 2016 more than 6 million young people aged 15-24 were not in employment, education or training (NEETs) in the EU;

Or. pt

Amendment 10 Arne Gericke

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Aa. whereas the European institutions do not themselves create jobs in the regions, which is why the stated aim of the Youth Initiative must be to promote the regions and SMEs across the board in order to guarantee young people work in the long term;

Or. de

Amendment 11 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the ultimate objective of the European Youth Strategy is to increase the number and equality of opportunities for all young Europeans;

Or. pt

Amendment 12 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the EU economy is growing again and the disparities started to shrink;

Amendment 13 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ab. whereas there continue to be many inequalities between Member States and regions of the European Union, which exacerbates the situation of young Europeans; whereas there are worryingly high rates of youth unemployment in the outermost regions, with some of these regions registering rates of over 50%, as in the case of Mayotte;

Or. pt

Amendment 14 Arne Gericke

Draft opinion Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ab. whereas all SMEs in Europe deserve our thanks, as they make up just 1% of all companies, but generate 20% of total national revenue and employ more than 60% of all workers who pay social security contributions; whereas SMEs create the jobs the Youth Initiative requires;

Or. de

Amendment 15 Jana Žitňanská

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# Draft opinion Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ab. whereas narrowing disparities are evident at regional level across the EU; whereas many regions still have employment rate below their pre-crisis levels;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital A c (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ac. whereas in 2016 the percentage of NEETs, or rather young people who are not in education, employment or training, stood at 15.6%.

Or. pt

Amendment 17 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Recital A c (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

Ac. whereas combating poverty and social exclusion is primarily a Member State competence and the EU plays important supporting and coordinating role;

Amendment 18 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital A d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ad. whereas although the EU Youth Strategy is an ongoing strategy that is continually being refined, its objectives are still very broad and ambitious; whereas there is a lack of duly established parameters of reference;

Or. pt

Amendment 19 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Recital A d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ad. whereas education helps in minimising the effect of socioeconomic inequalities, providing skills and competencies necessary to reduce the intergenerational transmission of disadvantages;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Terry Reintke on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Recital B

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

#### Amendment

B. whereas investment in young people's rights will contribute to empowering young people to claim, exercise and defend their rights and fulfil their responsibilities through their active participation in society;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion Recital B

## Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

#### **Amendment**

B. whereas youth unemployment is a serious problem that can contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations and to the potential malfunctioning of social security systems;

Or. es

Amendment 22 Jasenko Selimovic, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Recital B

# Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

# Amendment

B. whereas investment in young people is crucial for a fair and open democratic society, social mobility and inclusion and sustainable growth and employment in Europe;

# Amendment 23 Mara Bizzotto, Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

# Draft opinion Recital B

# Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights *will contribute* to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications *or* the dismantling of social security systems;

#### Amendment

whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights, which is partly due to the austerity policies adopted by the EU and obligations laid down in the European Treaties, has contributed to the aggravation in the Member States of phenomena such as declining populations, ageing populations, the lack of professional qualifications suited to a constantly changing labour market and the dismantling of social security systems; whereas these phenomena have led to the gradual impoverishment of the European people and an increase in social tensions in the Member States:

Or. it

# Amendment 24 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Elena Gentile, Agnes Jongerius

# Draft opinion Recital B

# Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications *or* the dismantling of social security systems;

#### *Amendment*

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, *early school leaving*, the lack of professional qualifications, the dismantling of social security systems *and widespread job insecurity*;

# **Amendment 25 Geoffroy Didier**

# Draft opinion Recital B

# Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

#### Amendment

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, *the feeling of social exclusion*, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

Or. fr

# Amendment 26 Romana Tomc

# Draft opinion Recital B

# Draft opinion

B. whereas the overall lack of investment in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

#### Amendment

B. whereas the overall lack of investment *in young people and* in young people's rights will contribute to the aggravation of phenomena such as declining populations, the lack of professional qualifications or the dismantling of social security systems;

Or. sl

Amendment 27 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

#### Amendment

Ba. whereas the EU Youth Strategy set out a framework for cooperation in the field of youth policy for the 2010-2018 period with the objectives of creating more and equal opportunities for all young people in education and in the labour market and promoting young people's inclusion and active participation in society;

Or. en

Amendment 28 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas it is difficult for young Europeans to secure stable jobs and, as a result, gain financial independence and the possibility of starting a family; whereas the late entry of these young people into the labour market puts social security systems under pressure;

Or. pt

Amendment 29 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas the problems that young people face in employment, education and training, social and political engagement

are not uniform, with some groups being affected more disproportionately than others; whereas more effort is needed to support people furthest or entirely detached from the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Arne Gericke

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ba. whereas safeguarding local schools and educational establishments in all Europe's regions is vital if the aim is to improve education for young people and if the EU is to offer the regions its full support in meeting this challenge;

Or. de

Amendment 31 João Pimenta Lopes on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

Ba. whereas in recent years the EU has launched a number of initiatives to boost the employability and strengthen the qualifications of young people, with an emphasis on the Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) and the Youth Guarantee;

Or. pt

Amendment 32 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas highly skilled labour force and an attractive business environment allow to benefit from the improved economic growth;

Or. en

Amendment 33
João Pimenta Lopes
on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bb. whereas the ILO's report 'Eurozone job crisis: trends and policy responses', published in 2012, concludes that policies to combat youth unemployment will require an investment of EUR 21 000 million in the period 2014-2020 to have a real impact.

Or. pt

Amendment 34 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bb. whereas career orientation and access to both information on employment opportunities and educational paths are

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essential for future educational development and transition to the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 35 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

Bb. whereas there is an urgent need to give young Europeans a voice, both through successful structured dialogue as well as in other ways;

Or. pt

Amendment 36 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Recital B c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bc. whereas in establishing the objectives of, implementing and evaluating this strategy, the European Union must work in close partnership with national, regional and local authorities;

Or. pt

Amendment 37 Jasenko Selimovic

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 38 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Verónica Lope Fontagné

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy must guarantee equality of opportunity in access to public services such as education and healthcare, as well as access to and promotion on the labour market. Furthermore, it is important to defend and promote decent work, high-quality, accessible, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. es

**Amendment 40 Jeroen Lenaers** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, *free*, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. nl

Amendment 41 Sofia Ribeiro

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, *free*, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. pt

Amendment 42 João Pimenta Lopes on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent *and regulated* work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, *support and social* programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, wellbeing and creativity;

Or. pt

Amendment 43 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Agnes Jongerius

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, *parenthood*, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, well-being and creativity;

Or. en

Amendment 44 Ádám Kósa

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Calls on the Member States to comply strictly with the principles of inclusivity in youth work, with particular emphasis on young people with disabilities; stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 1

# Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity; calls on the Commission and the Member States to promote fair working conditions and adequate social protection, including with regard to new forms of employment;

Or. en

Amendment 46 Mara Bizzotto, Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

# **Draft opinion Paragraph 1**

#### Draft opinion

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that an inclusive youth policy is inseparable from the defence and promotion of decent work, grounded in collective labour agreements, with non-precarious labour relations, adequate salaries and wages, *support for entrepreneurship*, high-quality, free, universal public services, and programmes facilitating political and cultural participation, parenthood, well-being and creativity;

Or. it

Amendment 47 Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1a. Recognises that, in recent years, the number of young people leaving school early has fallen and that figure is approaching the Strategy 2020 target. However, it calls on the Member States to come up with policies geared towards young people from more disadvantaged families, such as those belonging to ethnic minorities, especially the Roma community, who have lower education levels and are at risk of poverty and social exclusion, as better education helps to break the vicious circle of poverty;

Or. es

Amendment 48 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1a. Urges the continuity of key programmes like Erasmus +, Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs and the Youth Employment Initiative, and welcomes the new European Solidarity Corps; argues, as a result, that these programmes should be adapted to the differing situations of young Europeans so that everyone has the same opportunities; draws attention to the specific situations of young people from the outermost regions, which often stop them from making use of these programmes;

Or. pt

**Amendment 49 Jeroen Lenaers** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Stresses that more can be invested in both domestic mobility and cross-border mobility in order to reduce the youth unemployment rate; calls for the supply of work and skills to be better aligned with demand by facilitating mobility between regions (including cross-border regions);

Or. nl

Amendment 50 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Notes the findings of the interim evaluation of the EU Youth Strategy carried out by the Commission<sup>2a</sup> which outlines that the strategy has been successful in triggering concrete changes at the national and organisational levels and in the adoption of common approaches and principles across the Member States;

2a

https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/regdoc/ rep/10102/2017/EN/SWD-2017-281-F1-EN-MAIN-PART-1.PDF

Amendment 51 Theodoros Zagorakis

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Deplores the large numbers of young people not in education, employment or training (NEETs); notes that employment, education and training for young people should be one of the EU's highest political priorities;

Or. el

Amendment 52 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Insists on the important role of volunteering activities in developing skills; stresses the need for better validation of the skills gained through volunteering;

Or. en

Amendment 53 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Notes the evaluation found the strategy gave a strong impulse to national

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youth agendas, strengthening or reorienting youth policy priorities in a number of Member States, encouraged cross-sectoral cooperation, mutual learning and structured dialogue with young people and provided EU added-value to Member States via policy inspiration, knowledge and expertise, opportunities and resources;

Or. en

Amendment 54 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1b. Urges the Commission to keep the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme; encourages the Member States and the Commission to invest in promoting this programme together, along with Chambers of Commerce, companies and young people, without overlooking their main area of activity;

Or. pt

Amendment 55 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls for better promotion and awareness about existing volunteering opportunities;

Amendment 56 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Believes that the open method of coordination could be continued beyond the current period for cooperation in youth policy in order to set a joint agenda, exchange best practices and improve knowledge based policy making; however, believes that the current strategy's fields of action and initiatives should be simplified and streamlined and its mechanisms for monitoring and reporting outcomes improved in order to be more targeted and ambitious;

Or. en

Amendment 57 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Welcomes the positive results of the Youth Guarantee, whilst highlighting that there is still a worrying number of NEETs in the European Union; therefore urges the Commission to strengthen and continue to implement it, and replicate these results in Member States where the Guarantee has yet to be implemented;

Or. pt

Amendment 58 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Shares the view that youth policies cannot succeed in the stagnant economies and are correlated with strong economies with conditions conducive to work;<sup>1b</sup>

1*b* 

https://www.ceps.eu/system/files/RR2018\_01\_BlameItOnMyYouth.pdf

Or. en

Amendment 59 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1d. Reiterates the importance of the strategy's cross-sectoral approach as a means of mainstreaming a youth dimension and creating synergies in other relevant policy fields such as employment, education and training and believes integration of the Youth Strategy with other related initiatives at EU level could be improved;

Or. en

Amendment 60 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 d (new)

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#### Amendment

1d. Urges the Commission to improve the quality of and increase awareness among the Member States of vocational training, which is an essential alternative to higher education;

Or. pt

Amendment 61 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 e (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1e. Points out attempts to undermine the implementation of many of the programmes included in the EU Youth Strategy, with young people often being put in precarious jobs; urges the Commission to strengthen control and monitoring measures to make sure that European youth programmes do not have opposite effects to their intended ones.

Or. pt

Amendment 62 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, Ivo Vajgl, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1e. Highlights the value of structured dialogue with young people and their organisations as a means of establishing structures and processes for their participation and stresses the importance of reaching more and diverse young

people, especially those at risk of exclusion;

Or. en

Amendment 63 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 f (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

If. Urges the Commission to create an online platform for young people, where they can anonymously report violations by the persons responsible for promoting the programmes, as well as suggest changes and ask questions; reiterates the need to guarantee that promoting authorities and employers are also involved, creating a space within the platform where they can ask questions and share good practices;

Or. pt

Amendment 64 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 g (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1g. Highlights the need for an external evaluation of the implementation of the Youth Strategy in the Member States without prejudice to the principle of solidarity; urges the Commission to create an independent mechanism, with its own staff, to allow for increased checks and monitoring on the ground;

Or. pt

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Amendment 65 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 h (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1h. Highlights the importance of continuing this strategy and approves the way it has developed; highlights, as a result, the need to not only increase the number and equality of opportunities, but to clarify the objectives and transparency of the results too; urges the Commission to, in establishing these objectives and analysing the results, bear the specificities of each European Member State and region in mind;

Or. pt

Amendment 66 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 i (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1i. Urges the Commission to pursue economic and employment policies, with the aim of creating more and better jobs for young people; argues, as a result, that a proper EU Youth Strategy should be based not only on getting young people into work, but must support companies and other employers in creating dignified and high-quality jobs;

Or. pt

# Amendment 67 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 j (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1j. Urges the Commission to establish objectives for the EU Youth Strategy that can be measured quantitatively and concretely reached to make the Strategy more effective, both in identifying constraints to making improvements and in identifying adjustments and changes that need to be made;

Or. pt

**Amendment 68 Jeroen Lenaers** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

#### Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, entrepreneurial spirit, universality and multicultural dialogue; stresses the importance of modernising education through new qualifications, educational instruments and methods to improve the connection between education and the employment market, and to increase participation in education and access to education for everyone, and furthermore calls for a specific focus on the crossborder aspect of education, for instance by promoting the teaching of neighbouring languages;

Or. nl

# Amendment 69 Mara Bizzotto, Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

## Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting and multimedia skills and encourages increased cooperation between training institutions and the labour market, for example with dual training courses that strengthen young people's acquisition of skills and know-how, through internships aimed at inserting these young people into the labour market:

Or. it

Amendment 70 Terry Reintke on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

## Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market, including by ensuring quality internships and apprenticeships, giving young people clearly defined rights that include access to social protection, written and binding contracts and a fair remuneration, is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire crosscutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue;

# Amendment 71 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

## Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education *and training* system that ensures they acquire crosscutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue *thus* fostering employability *and versatility in professional life*;

Or. en

Amendment 72 Verónica Lope Fontagné

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire *cross-cutting* skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability *not through early* specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

# Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive, *vocational* education system that ensures they acquire *the* skills *needed for their careers, and skills* that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue;

Or. es

# Amendment 73 João Pimenta Lopes on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

## Draft opinion

2. Argues that *individuals*' transition into the labour market is facilitated by *a comprehensive* education system that *ensures* they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering *employability* not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that *the* transition into the labour market is facilitated by *an* education system that *educates individuals comprehensively, ensuring that* they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality, *a world view* and multicultural dialogue, fostering *integration into the world of work* not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

Or. pt

Amendment 74 Jasenko Selimovic, Yana Toom, António Marinho e Pinto

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

#### Draft opinion

2. Argues that *individuals*' transition into the labour market is facilitated by *a* comprehensive education *system that* ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that young people's transition into the labour market is facilitated by comprehensive education and training systems that ensure they acquire cross-cutting skills and competences including basic and noncognitive skills as well as key competences that are future oriented; notes the role that work-based learning, apprenticeships and digital and entrepreneurial skills can play in this regard;

# Amendment 75 Jérôme Lavrilleux

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a *comprehensive* education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a *suitable* education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, *and which is more in line with labour market needs, thus* fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

Or. fr

Amendment 76 Ádám Kósa

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

#### Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

#### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive and inclusive education system that ensures they acquire crosscutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications; acknowledges the fact that due to current technological development learners with disabilities are offered new possibilities to acquire knowledge and skills through formal and non-formal way;

# Amendment 77 Evelyn Regner

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

### Amendment

Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications; draws attention, in particular, to the combined vocational education and training model, which is not sufficiently well known, but can make a significant contribution to training professionals in deficit occupations by ensuring a smooth transition from school and training to professional life;

Or. de

# Amendment 78 Sofia Ribeiro

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of

### Amendment

2. Emphasises that the European labour market is constantly changing; argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early

qualifications;

specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

Or. pt

Amendment 79 Romana Tomo

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

### Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that *meets the demand in the labour market and* ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

Or. sl

# Amendment 80 Geoffroy Didier

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2

# Draft opinion

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications;

# Amendment

2. Argues that individuals' transition into the labour market is facilitated by a comprehensive education system that ensures they acquire cross-cutting skills that promote critical thinking, universality and multicultural dialogue, fostering employability not through early specialisation, but rather by enabling the attainment of a wide variety of qualifications *and language skills*;

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Amendment 81
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

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## Amendment

2a. Recalls that employment and entrepreneurship constitute one of the eight priorities identified in the EU Youth Strategy (2010-2018); stresses that youth work and non-formal learning, particularly as developed in youth organisations, play a vital role in developing young people's potential, including entrepreneurial skills, allowing them to develop a broad set of competences which can increase their opportunities on the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 82 Theodoros Zagorakis

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

2a. Stresses that, despite high unemployment rates, labour mobility within the EU remains limited; draws attention, therefore, to the importance of worker mobility for a competitive labour market; calls on the Commission and the Member States to encourage cross-border professional and vocational opportunities to this end;

Or. el

Amendment 83 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

2a. Reiterates the importance of adults over the age of 55 in training young people in the workplace; argues, together with the Commission, in favour of the creation of programmes that allow the gradual departure of these people from the labour market up to retirement age, more specifically transitioning first to part-time work, during which they also train young people and help them to gradually integrate into the workplace;

Or. pt

Amendment 84 Verónica Lope Fontagné

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

## **Amendment**

2a. Stresses that, owing to a mismatch between supply and demand for professional skills, many jobs remain vacant in the EU; in that connection, calls for greater coordination between public employment services and for more recognition and validation of degrees and skills, including informal learning;

Or. es

Amendment 85 João Pimenta Lopes

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# on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

2a. Deplores the fact that funding for programmes and actions aimed at boosting the employability of young people have failed to meet the needs identified; also deplores the fact that there is still no assessment of the impact and sustainability of these programmes and actions in youth employment;

Or. pt

Amendment 86 Georgi Pirinski

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

2 a. Recognises the importance of Erasmus+ Programme for improving the education and youth employability in Europe and calls for increase of the funding for this programme;

Or. en

Amendment 87 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls for active involvement of young people and youth organisations in the planning, implementation and

assessment of the youth policies and programmes;

Or. en

**Amendment 88 Theodoros Zagorakis** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

2b. Points out the important role of enterprises in matters related to skill acquisition and the creation of jobs for young people; notes that education and training in areas related to the promotion of entrepreneurship may contribute to the achievement of long-term development, the promotion of European competitiveness and the fight against unemployment;

Or. el

Amendment 89 Georgi Pirinski

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

2b. Stresses that the Youth Employment Initiative is the most visible EU programme supporting labour market inclusion of young people in Europe and insists on its continuation and widening of its scope in the next programming period;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

2b. Believes that civil society organisations, national youth councils and the social partners should be involved in the design, implementation and evaluation of youth employment policies;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 c (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

2c. Stresses the need to combat early school-leaving by identifying the shortcomings of the school system and society, supporting students in finding their own learning methods, implementing relevant and engaging curricula and realising a strong and well-developed guidance system with high-quality counselling and orientation services for all students; underlines that a holistic and inclusive educational approach is essential to make all students feel welcome and included, and feel ownership of their education;

Or. en

Amendment 92 Terry Reintke

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# on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 2 d (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

2d. Urges the Member States to implement fully the Erasmus+ programme by targeting all people regardless of their education level as this has a positive impact not only on employment but also on understanding and engaging in the European project by experiencing it, thereby providing young people with skills and competences for life, including language skills, broadening their opportunities and chances to participate in both the labour market and society, and exploring further crossborder career opportunities;

Or. en

Amendment 93 Jasenko Selimovic, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

# Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to *ensure continued adequate* funding of programmes promoting the *education*, *training*, employability and social inclusion of young people,

Or. en

# **Amendment 94 Jeroen Lenaers**

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose *an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes* promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that *these* funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

#### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose *a measure* promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

Or. nl

Amendment 95 Jana Žitňanská

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people,

Or. en

Amendment 96 Mara Bizzotto, Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to monitor European programmes aimed at promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people to ensure that these resources are used in a targeted way without waste, avoiding the creation of unpaid internships or precarious work; highlights the importance of multi-level management of these resources, in order to best meet the specific needs of the areas, economies and citizens of the Member States;

Or. it

Amendment 97 João Pimenta Lopes on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the *employability* and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose, as part of the revision of the Youth Strategy and the Multiannual Financial Framework, an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the creation of jobs and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships; rejects, moreover, calls for so-called flexibility, which does not serve the needs of young workers and merely leads to the deregulation of working hours and obligations;

Or. pt

# Amendment 98 Verónica Lope Fontagné

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create *unpaid internships or* precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

Or. es

Amendment 99
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

### Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the *employability and* social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose, *in line with the European Pillar of Social Rights*, an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

Or. en

Amendment 100 Ádám Kósa

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

# Draft opinion

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

### Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to propose an increase in the funding, powers and scope of programmes promoting the employability and social inclusion of young people, *including young people* with disabilities, ensuring that these funds are not used to help create unpaid internships or precarious work or replace permanent jobs with temporary ones or internships.

Or. en

Amendment 101
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

*3a*. Urges the Member States to monitor the effective implementation of the Youth Guarantee, for example by putting in place tailor-made lifelong guidance systems that help people at any stage of their lives make educational, training and occupational decisions and to manage their individual life paths in learning, work and other settings; recalls that the involvement of youth organisations in the evaluation, implementation and communication of the Youth Guarantee is crucial for its success and encourages registration of the unemployed;

Or. en

Amendment 102 João Pimenta Lopes

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on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Reiterates that in order to create jobs, and more specifically jobs for young people, there is a need for public investment policies that can inject life into the economy and production sectors, as well as strategic sectors; emphasises that such policies must go hand in hand with policies to boost wages, reduce working hours and lower the retirement age, along with policies that regulate the labour market and defend collective bargaining;

Or. pt

Amendment 103 Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Welcomes the planned increase in funding for the Youth Employment Initiative; stresses, at the same time, that funding is currently not sufficient to guarantee that all NEETs will find an apprenticeship, a traineeship or a place on a further education scheme; in this context, calls on the Member States to ensure that the ESF funds available do not replace public spending;

Or. de

Amendment 104 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Encourages a strong involvement of NGOs, local and regional authorities to help young people and especially vulnerable groups (e.g. NEETs, migrants and refugees, young people with disabilities, school drops-outs) find gainful employment, education or training, and assist them with engaging in political decision-making and civic society;

Or. en

Amendment 105 Jeroen Lenaers

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Believes that in view of the complexity of youth policies and their impact, research collaboration must be stimulated to develop empirically justified answers and intervention and preventative solutions that will further young people's well-being and resilience.

Or. nl

Amendment 106 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Urges the Commission to establish

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a limit to the length of time a young person can spend doing internships funded by European programmes, and to limit these to one unpaid internship per young person, after which that person must be offered employment;

Or. pt

Amendment 107 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Considers inclusion, contribution and participation of youth with disabilities to be necessary to the success of the youth programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 108 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Underlines the need to offer proper learning and training content and decent working conditions for traineeships and apprenticeships to ensure their crucial role in the transition from education to professional life; considers that in order to ensure the delivery of quality placements, the existence of an apprenticeship or a traineeship contract is fundamental to delineate roles and responsibilities of all parties specifying the length, the learning

objectives and tasks corresponding to clearly identified skills to be developed, the employment status, adequate compensation/remuneration including for overtime, social protection and security schemes under the applicable national law, applicable collective agreements, or both;

Or. en

Amendment 109 Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

3b. Notes the findings and risks suggesting that actions managed by the Commission (including student exchange programmes) are considered by the national authorities to fulfil the requirements of the YS and that some Member States withdraw their resources from policy areas which are supported from the EU budget; <sup>1a</sup>

*1a* 

http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/e tudes/STUD/2018/615645/EPRS\_STU(20 18)615645\_EN.pdf

Or. en

Amendment 110 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

# Draft opinion

### Amendment

3b. Urges the Commission and the Member States to supervise establishments that repeatedly offer consecutive internships without following them up with jobs, in order to ensure that jobs are not replaced with so-called internships;

Or. pt

Amendment 111 Jeroen Lenaers

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

3b. Argues that in order to increase the effectiveness of actions in the fields of education, youth and sport, joint objectives and instruments must be developed to measure the impact of policy, based on international studies;

Or. nl

Amendment 112
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

3b. Calls for measures to be taken to include young people from marginalised communities as well as young migrants and refugees, irrespective of their legal status, in society and the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 113 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3c. Argues for the harmonisation, with European support, of the concept of an internship, highlighting its nature as training in the context of work, with specific guidance and supervision, setting it apart from an employment contract, without prejudice to the rights to social security and benefits that are granted in each Member State;

Or. pt

Amendment 114 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 c (new)

Draft opinion

**Amendment** 

3c. Reaffirms the importance of a continued structured dialogue between decision-makers and young people and therefore advocates for a better involvement of youth and civil society organisations as important intermediaries between young people;

Or. en

Amendment 115 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner Draft opinion Paragraph 3 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3d. Calls for a promotion and better facilitation of cross-border professional and vocational opportunities and mobility among young people, and for providing them with skills and competences for life, including language skills, while also broadening their opportunities and chances to participate in both the labour market and society;

Or. en

Amendment 116 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3d. Urges the Commission to put measures into place that allow for a qualitative and quantitative assessment of the implementation of the Strategy and apply to all the Member States and regions, taking the specificities of each Member State or region into account;

Or. pt

Amendment 117 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3e. Stresses that combating youth unemployment, especially among NEETs,

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should continue to be a top priority of the new generation of the youth strategy and calls therefore for a doubling of the Youth Employment Initiative envelope while ensuring quick and simplified deployment of funds and transforming it into a more stable EU financing instrument;

Or. en

Amendment 118 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 e (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

3e. Argues for the harmonisation, without prejudice to the principle of subsidiarity, of the concept of young person, setting an age limit applicable across the European Union; encourages all the Member States to contribute to this harmonisation, eliminating obstacles to the gauging of progress and establishing measures to put in place;

Or. pt

Amendment 119 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 f (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

3f. Urges the Member States to uphold transparency in submitting their accounts and using funds earmarked for boosting sustainable employment opportunities for young people; reiterates the importance, as a result, of the Member States submitting detailed information on

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the situation of their young people when requested; urges the Commission to limit access to these programmes if Member States do not cooperate;

Or. pt

Amendment 120 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 f (new)

Draft opinion

**Amendment** 

3f. Suggests the establishment of an EU hotline against the violation of the rights of young people so that young people can report any negative experience of participation in YEI and YG measures to the Commission directly, enabling the collection of information and the investigation of reports and abusive practices in the deployment of EU-funded policies;

Or. en

Amendment 121 Ivari Padar, Michael Detjen, Rory Palmer, Agnes Jongerius, Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 g (new)

Draft opinion

**Amendment** 

3g. Recalls that the first principle of the European Pillar of Social Rights declares that everyone has the right to quality and inclusive education, training and life-long learning in order to maintain and acquire skills that enable them to participate fully in society and manage successfully transitions in the

labour market; consequently stresses the importance of prioritising and ensuring social investment in education and training in the new programming period of the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2020-2026.

Or. en

Amendment 122 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 g (new)

Draft opinion

# Amendment

3g. Highlights the lack of systematic updates and reliable data on the implementation of the Strategy; therefore urges the Member States and the Commission to promote closer cooperation between national and regional statistics services when it comes to submitting relevant and up-to-date statistics on youth, which are important for assessing the level of success of the strategy being implemented; argues that the triannual reports submitted must be accompanied by these statistics;

Or. pt

Amendment 123 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 h (new)

Draft opinion

#### **Amendment**

3h. Urges the Member States to indicate the hoped-for impact of the measures to be adopted in their action plans; argues, as a result, the importance of the Member States providing

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guarantees that the measures put in place have effectively boosted employment; reiterates the need to gauge the sustainability of the policies to be implemented;

Or. pt

Amendment 124 Sofia Ribeiro

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 i (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

3i. Urges the Commission to hold a conference at European level to share good practices in adopting European youth programmes, and to be a platform for communication between youth associations, employers, and national and local governments; urges the Commission to create a European prize rewarding good practices and positive results, to be awarded at that conference;

Or. pt