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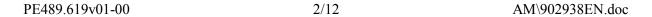
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European Neighbourhood Instrument

Proposal for a regulation (COM(2011)0839 final – C7-0492/2011 – 2011/0405(COD))

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Amendment 6 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Article 8 of the Treaty on European Union provides for the development of a special relationship with neighbouring countries, with the aim of establishing an area of prosperity and good neighbourliness, founded on the values of the Union and characterised by close and peaceful relations based on cooperation.

Amendment

(2) Article 8 of the Treaty on European Union provides for the development of a special relationship with neighbouring countries, with the aim of establishing an area of prosperity and good neighbourliness, founded on the values of the Union, as enshrined in Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union, and characterised by close and peaceful relations based on cooperation.

Or. en

Amendment 7 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) A number of major developments have taken place since the European Neighbourhood Policy was launched and the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument was set up. These include a deepening of the relationship with the partners, the launch of regional initiatives and democratic transition processes in the region. This triggered a new European Neighbourhood Policy vision set out in 2011 as a result of a comprehensive Strategic Review of the Policy. It outlines key objectives for Union cooperation with Neighbourhood countries and provides for greater support to partners committed to building democratic societies

Amendment

(7) A number of major developments have taken place since the European Neighbourhood Policy was launched and the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument was set up, triggered lately by the Arab Spring. These include a deepening of the relationship with the partners, the launch of regional initiatives and democratic transition processes in the region. This triggered a new European Neighbourhood Policy vision set out in 2011 as a result of a comprehensive Strategic Review of the Policy. It outlines key objectives for Union cooperation with Neighbourhood countries and provides for greater support to partners and undertaking reforms, in line with the 'more for more' and 'mutual accountability' principles.

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Or. en

Amendment 8
Jean Roatta

Proposal for a regulation Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

(7) A number of major developments have taken place since the European Neighbourhood Policy was launched and the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument was set up. These include a deepening of the relationship with the partners, the launch of regional initiatives and democratic transition processes, in particular in the countries on the southern shores of the Mediterranean following the events of the Spring of 2011. This triggered a new European Neighbourhood Policy vision set out in 2011 as a result of a comprehensive Strategic Review of the Policy. *This policy* outlines key objectives in favour of cooperation and substantial support to partners committed to building a more equitable and democratic society which respects human rights and freedoms, in line with the 'more for more' and 'mutual accountability' principles.

Or fr

Amendment 9 Jean Roatta

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 8 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(8a) The scope of this instrument should encourage a differentiated cross-border approach in order to facilitate the effective and swift implementation of the programmes in the countries involved in the European Neighbourhood Policy, to encourage the regional and interregional development of the projects and to promote a decentralized cooperation policy.

Or. fr

Amendment 10 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Recital 19

Text proposed by the Commission

(19) European Union external support has increasing financing needs but the economic and budgetary situation of the Union limits the resources available for such support. The Commission must therefore seek the most efficient use of available resources by using financial instruments with leverage effect. Such effect could be increased by enabling the use and re-use of funds invested and generated by financial instruments.

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 11 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under this Regulation shall promote enhanced political cooperation and progressive economic integration between the Union and the partner countries and, in particular, the implementation of partnership and cooperation agreements, association agreements or other existing and future agreements, and jointly agreed action plans.

Amendment

1. Support under this Regulation shall promote enhanced political *and social* cooperation and progressive economic integration between the Union and the partner countries and, in particular, the implementation of partnership and cooperation agreements, association agreements or other existing and future agreements, and jointly agreed action plans.

Or. en

Amendment 12 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) sustainable and inclusive development in all aspects, poverty reduction, including through private-sector development; promotion of internal economic, social and territorial cohesion, rural development, climate action and disaster resilience;

Amendment

(d) sustainable and inclusive development in all aspects, poverty reduction, including through private-sector development, *public-private partnership*, promotion of internal economic, social and territorial cohesion, rural development, climate action and disaster resilience;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Jean Roatta

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point d a (new)

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Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) promote, develop and consolidate the values of freedom, democracy, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms and the principles of equality, the rule of law and good governance on which the Union is founded, through dialogue and cooperation with third countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 14 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) promoting confidence building and other measures contributing to security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts;

Amendment

(e) *actively* promoting confidence building and other measures contributing to security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts, *especially frozen conflicts*;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Jean Roatta

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) promote the development of renewable energy (wind, hydro-electric, solar and photovoltaic) and combat global warming in order to achieve the objectives of the EU 2020 Strategy in terms of the development of interconnections and energy networks, such as the effective implementation of the Mediterranean

Solar Plan or the DESERTEC programme;

Or. fr

Amendment 16 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The achievement of these objectives shall be measured using notably the relevant EU periodic reports on the implementation of the policy, and for paragraphs 2(a), (d) and (e), the relevant indicators established by international organisations and other relevant bodies; for paragraphs 2(b), (c) and (d) the uptake of the EU regulatory framework by the partner countries as relevant; for paragraphs 2(c) and (f), the number of relevant agreements and cooperation actions. The indicators will include, among others, adequately monitored democratic elections, level of corruption, trade flows, indicators enabling measuring internal economic disparities, including employment levels.

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Or. en

Amendment 17 Jean Roatta

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1

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Text proposed by the Commission

1. The partnership and cooperation agreements, the association agreements and other existing or future agreements that establish a relationship with partner countries, corresponding Communications, Council conclusions *and* European Parliament Resolutions as well as relevant conclusions of ministerial meetings with the partner countries shall constitute the overall policy framework for programming and implementing Union support under this Regulation.

Amendment

1. The partnership and cooperation agreements, the association agreements and other existing or future agreements that establish a relationship with partner countries, corresponding Communications, Council conclusions, Resolutions of the European Parliament, the Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly and the Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly, as well as relevant conclusions of ministerial meetings with the partner countries shall constitute the overall policy framework for programming and implementing Union support under this Regulation.

Or. fr

Amendment 18 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Union support provided under this Regulation to each partner country shall be differentiated in form and amounts according to the partner country's commitment to reforms and its progress in implementing these reforms. Such differentiation shall reflect the level of ambition of the country's partnership with the Union, its progress in building deep and sustainable democracy, its progress in implementing agreed reform objectives, the country's needs and capacities, and the potential impact of Union support.

Amendment

1. Union support provided under this Regulation to each partner country shall be differentiated in form and amounts according to the partner country's commitment to reforms and its progress in implementing these reforms, provided that the division of funds between the Union for the Mediterranean and the Eastern Partnership does not hamper achievement of the objectives of each of those two projects and is not conducted in such a way as to favour one at the expense of the other. Such differentiation shall reflect the level of ambition of the country's partnership with the Union, its progress in building deep and sustainable democracy, its progress in implementing agreed reform

objectives, the country's needs and capacities, and the potential impact of Union support.

Or. en

Amendment 19 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Union support under this Regulation shall, in principle, be established in partnership with the beneficiaries. The partnership shall involve as appropriate, national, regional and local authorities, other stakeholders, civil society, social partners and other non-state actors in preparing, implementing and monitoring Union support.

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Or. en

Amendment 20 Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Proposal for a regulation Article 5 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In implementing this Regulation, coherence shall be ensured with other areas of the Union external action as well as other relevant Union policies. To this end, measures financed under this Regulation, including those managed by the European Investment Bank (EIB), shall be based on the cooperation policy documents described in Article 3(1) and (2) as well as

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Or. en

Amendment 21 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 5 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In implementing this Regulation, coherence shall be ensured with other areas of the Union external action as well as other relevant Union policies. To this end, measures financed under this Regulation, including those managed by the European Investment Bank (EIB), shall be based on the cooperation policy documents described in Article 3(1) and (2) as well as on the Union's specific interests, policy priorities and strategies. Such measures shall respect the commitments under multilateral agreements and international conventions to which the Union and partner countries are parties.

Amendment

1. In implementing this Regulation, coherence shall be ensured with other areas of the Union external action as well as other relevant Union policies, as enshrined in Article 208 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union with regard to policy coherence for development. To this end, measures financed under this Regulation, including those managed by the European Investment Bank (EIB), shall be based on the cooperation policy documents described in Article 3(1) and (2) as well as on the Union's specific interests, policy priorities and strategies. Such measures shall respect the commitments under multilateral agreements and international conventions to which the Union and partner countries are parties.

Or. en

Amendment 22 Filip Kaczmarek

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

9. In the event of crises or threats to democracy, the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms, or of natural or man-made disasters, an ad hoc review of the programming documents may be conducted. Such emergency review shall ensure that coherence between Union support provided under this Regulation and support provided under other Union financial instruments is maintained. An emergency review may lead to the adoption of revised programming documents. Where this is the case, the Commission shall send the revised programming documents to the European Parliament and to the Council for information within one month of their adoption.

Amendment

9. In the event of crises or threats to democracy, the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms, or of natural or man-made disasters, an ad hoc review of the programming documents may be conducted. Such emergency review shall ensure that coherence between Union support provided under this Regulation and support provided under other Union financial instruments, such as the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) or the European Endowment for Democracy, is maintained. An emergency review may lead to the adoption of revised programming documents. Where this is the case, the Commission shall send the revised programming documents to the European Parliament and to the Council for information within one month of their adoption.

Or. en

