

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND WATER

**AMENDMENTS
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**TO THE DRAFT
RECOMMENDATION**

of the Committee on Energy, Environment and Water.

on the following topics:

- 1. Renewable Energy Sources**
- 2. Eco-Towns**
- 3. Maritime Underwater Parks**
- 4. The 'Let's do it' campaign**

Amendment 1
Karim Zeribi (PPE)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 1 (new)

Draft recommendation

Amendment

1 Reaffirms that the preservation of the environment must be a permanent concern of all in the process of sustainable development in the region, notably as regards the protection of air and water, coastal protection, waste disposal, biodiversity and environmental education;

Amendment 2
Gaston Franco (PPE)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 2

Draft recommendation

Amendment

2. Promoting renewable energy sources, especially wind and solar power and energy derived from the oceans and from waste;

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Amendment 3
Samo Bevk (Slovenia)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 4

Draft recommendation

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Amendment 4
Samo Bevk (Slovenia)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 5 (new)

Draft recommendation

Amendment

5. Particular support for the three out of six UfM key initiatives directly linked to the preservation of the Mediterranean environment (De-Pollution of the Mediterranean; Maritime and Land Highways; RES) that will be carried within the framework of the Euro-Mediterranean University;

Amendment 5
Gaston Franco (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 8

Draft recommendation

8. Promoting the development and networking of cities in order jointly to address challenges in the energy, environment and water sectors through the establishment of an ‘Eco-Towns’ network and a Working Group coordinated by Rima Tarabay from Lebanon, Vice President of Bahr Loubnan, and Moez Kamoun from Tunisia, in cooperation with the head of the project and Committee chair, Stefan Schennach;

Amendment

8. Promoting the development and networking of cities in order jointly to address challenges in the energy, environment and water sectors through the establishment of an ‘Eco-Towns’ network, ***drawing in particular on the experience of the EUROMED Cities Network***, and a Working Group coordinated by Rima Tarabay from Lebanon, Vice President of Bahr Loubnan, and Moez Kamoun from Tunisia, in cooperation with the head of the project and Committee chair, Stefan Schennach ***and in synergy with the Sustainable Mediterranean Cities and Regions Agency based in Marseille***;

Amendment 6
Rodi Kratsa Tsagaropoulou (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation
Paragraph 8

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Amendment 7

Radvile Morkunaite-Mikuleniene (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation Paragraph 11

Draft recommendation

11. The decision to implement the ‘Let’s do it’ campaign which was adopted in March 2012 in Rabat and also considered worth implementing by the General Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean;

Amendment

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Amendment 8

Radvile Morkunaite-Mikuleniene (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation Paragraph 12

Draft recommendation

12. The recommendation contained in the decision to stage a common annual ‘Let’s do it’ day in the member countries of the Union for the Mediterranean in order to promote proper waste management, for example by awareness-raising at various levels;

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Amendment 9

Rodi Kratsa Tsagaropoulou (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation Paragraph 9

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9. The presentation of the programme by the participating mayors (the network currently comprises some 12 towns) at the next General Assembly;

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Amendment 10

Rodi Kratsa Tsagaropoulou (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation

Paragraph 14 – subparagraph b

Draft recommendation

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Amendment

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Radvile Morkunaite-Mikuleniene (European Parliament, EPP)

Draft recommendation

Paragraph 14 (c)

Draft recommendation

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Amendment

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