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Amendment 1

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poreba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution

Citation a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 8 July 2008 on the environmental impact of the planned gas pipeline in the Baltic Sea to link up Russia and Germany (Petitions 0614/2007 and 0952/2006 (2007/2118(INI))),

Or. pl

Amendment 2

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. having regard to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region is a pilot for future macro-regional strategies, ***such as the Danube Basin, the Mediterranean Sea, the Alps and the Atlantic Arc***, and that the Strategy's success will directly influence the way in which future strategies ***are*** implemented,

B. having regard to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region is a pilot for future macro-regional strategies, and that the Strategy's success will directly influence the way in which future strategies ***can be*** implemented,

Or. de

Amendment 3

Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. having regard to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region is a pilot for future macro-regional strategies, such as the Danube Basin, the Mediterranean Sea, the Alps and the Atlantic Arc, and that the Strategy's success **will directly influence** the way in which future strategies are implemented,

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B. having regard to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region is a pilot for future macro-regional strategies, such as the Danube Basin, the Mediterranean Sea, the Alps and the Atlantic Arc, and that the Strategy's success **can be a model for** the way in which future strategies are implemented,

Or. de

Amendment 4
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

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Or. de

Amendment 5
Ian Hudghton, François Alfonsi, Elisabeth Schroedter

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as the Danube Basin, the Mediterranean Sea, **the North Sea**, the Alps and the Atlantic Arc, and that the Strategy's success will directly influence the way in which future strategies are implemented,

Or. en

Amendment 6
Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas the Baltic Sea remains the most polluted sea in the European Union, and whereas the large-scale energy infrastructure projects that are being implemented in the Baltic Sea itself as well as in the territories around it (especially in third countries) are not helping the situation,

Or. lt

Amendment 7
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Welcomes, in particular, the fact that the Strategy is the result of broad consultation with interested parties in the Member States, including not only national, regional and local authorities but also the academic and business communities as well as NGOs, showing that the consultation process and the inclusion of partners from the very beginning of work on the Strategy is an important factor in its success;

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this regard welcomes the initiative for the Baltic Sea Action Summit and calls for similar initiatives bringing together public and private actors for the future macro-region strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

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2. Welcomes, in particular, the fact that the Strategy is the result of broad consultation with interested parties in the Member States, including not only national, regional and local authorities but also the academic and business communities as well as NGOs, showing that the consultation process and the inclusion of partners from the very beginning of work on the Strategy is an important factor in its success, *and therefore recommends increasing the local community's involvement by opening up wider and more focused communication and consultation also through local media (local TV, radio and printed and online newspapers);*

Or. hu

Amendment 9
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
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with interested parties in the Member States, including not only national, regional and local authorities but also the academic and business communities as well as NGOs, showing that the consultation process and the inclusion of partners from the very beginning of work on the Strategy is an important factor in its success; ***points out that the establishment of a civil society forum in the Baltic Sea Region could enable civil society to become involved in the Strategy's development;***

Or. ro

Amendment 10
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Welcomes the EU2020 Strategy, which is coherent with the goals set on the Baltic Sea Strategy and notes that the EU2020 can act as an efficient framework for the implementation and strengthening of the Baltic Sea Strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Believes that the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region can only prove to be successful if there is coherent coordination on European and

macro regional level;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Underlines the importance of allocating adequate funds to the EU budget line foreseen for implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region to ensure cooperation and coherence on European level and macro regional level;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3c. Notes that the finances of the Strategy of the Baltic Sea Region cannot be the financing instrument for any external cooperation with third states in the Baltic Sea Region;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not affect shipping conditions adversely;

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Or. en

Amendment 15
Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

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Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline **and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not affect shipping conditions adversely;**

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline, **the results of which must be communicated without further delay to the European Parliament; calls on the European Commission for the design of an adequate reaction plan for technical accidents and any other possible catastrophes, providing also for the way to deal with these events from the economic point of view; underlines that the same approach must be taken for any future similar project, so that safety, environment and shipping conditions are not endangered;**

Or. en

Amendment 16
Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of *the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects* as well as the need to ensure that *the construction of the pipeline* does not affect shipping conditions adversely;

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of *energy infrastructure projects* as well as the need to ensure that *such infrastructure* does not affect shipping conditions adversely;

Or. de

Amendment 17
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects *as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not affect shipping conditions adversely*;

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects, *since these represent a major form of human intervention*;

Or. de

Amendment 18
Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not *affect* shipping conditions adversely;

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects *in future, taking into account, in particular, international conventions and the principles of energy solidarity*, as well

as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not *have a negative impact on the competitiveness of individual states and their sea ports by affecting* shipping conditions adversely;

Or. pl

Amendment 19
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline *does not* affect shipping conditions adversely;

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an *objective and reliable* environmental impact assessment of the North Stream Gas Pipeline *under the supervision of the European Commission before actual construction of this* and other similar projects can begin as well as the need that the construction of the pipeline *in question will not* affect shipping conditions adversely *or pose risks to the security of the countries around the Baltic Sea*;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not affect shipping conditions adversely;

Amendment

4. Emphasises the need for an environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and other similar projects as well as the need to ensure that the construction of the pipeline does not affect shipping conditions adversely;

points out that, in the interests of sustainable development and green growth, it is important to achieve strong environmental protection in all macro-regions, as well as equal consideration for environmental protection, travel and other aspects;

Or. hu

Amendment 21

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Calls on the European Commission to implement Parliament's recommendations contained in its resolution of 8 July 2008 on the environmental impact of the planned gas pipeline in the Baltic Sea to link up Russia and Germany and, in particular, to carry out an independent environmental impact assessment of the Northern Gas Pipeline and its compliance with EU and international law;

Or. pl

Amendment 22

Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Emphasises the need to establish a Baltic Sea Environmental Monitoring Centre, an early-warning system for accidents and serious cross-border pollution, and a joint action force to deal

with such situations;

Or. ro

Amendment 23
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as *wind farms or biofuels* available in the region;

Amendment

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of *joint projects on energy efficiency and energy infrastructure, as well as* renewable energy projects such as *bioenergy* available in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms or biofuels available in the region;

Amendment

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms (*onshore or offshore*) or *biogas plants using* biofuels available in the region;

Or. de

Amendment 25
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms or biofuels available in the region;

Amendment

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea region for ***diversification of energy production and supplies as well as*** for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms or biofuels available in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms or biofuels available in the region;

Amendment

5. Draws attention to the strategic significance of the Baltic Sea Region for the development of renewable energy projects such as wind farms, ***geothermal energy*** or biofuels available in the region;

Or. pl

Amendment 27
Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Draws attention to the effective cooperation already achieved in the energy and climate sector between the

Council of the Baltic Sea States and the Nordic Council in the context of the Northern Dimension;

Or. de

**Amendment 28
Justas Vincas Paleckis**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Emphasises that in view of intended expansion of nuclear energy in Baltic Sea region, EU countries have to follow the most strict safety and environmental standards. European Commission has to watch and monitor if the same approach and international conventions are followed in the neighbouring countries, especially in those which are planning to build nuclear power plants near external EU borders.

Or. en

**Amendment 29
François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea, land and inland);

6. Emphasises that it is a priority to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea - ***with a dominant role in the transport of goods*** - land and inland);

Or. fr

Amendment 30
Iosif Matula, Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Draws attention to the need to create ***an effective and environmentally friendly*** communication and transport network (sea, land and inland);

Amendment

6. Draws attention to the need to create ***a*** communication and transport network ***which is effective and as environmentally friendly as possible, taking account of the provisions of the updated version of the Natura 2000 document;***

Or. ro

Amendment 31
Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poreba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea, land and inland);

Amendment

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea, land and inland), ***using the shortest and most multimodal transport corridors;***

Or. pl

Amendment 32
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea,

Amendment

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land and inland);

land and inland) *that can anticipate and respond in a timely fashion to current and future challenges by adapting to local and interregional requirements and needs;*

Or. ro

Amendment 33
Franz Obermayr

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea, land and inland);

Amendment

6. Draws attention to the need to create an effective, *sustainable* and environmentally friendly transport and communication network (sea, land and inland);

Or. de

Amendment 34
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Draws attention to the significant *economic* disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and *in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a* high level of competitiveness, which is crucial *in the face of an* aging population;

Amendment

7. Draws attention to the *still* significant disproportion *in the field of economic development and innovation* that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and *to the opportunity to take use of the Baltic Sea Strategy to reach a new level of synergy which can reduce the existing inequalities and will create an area of* high level of competitiveness *and sustainable prosperity* which is *also* crucial *in facing the problem* of aging population;

Or. en

Amendment 35

François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Draws attention to the significant economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region **and in terms of innovation**, and the necessity to **increase the potential of highly developed areas and eliminate inequality** in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity **with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population**;

Amendment

7. Draws attention to the significant economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region, and the necessity to eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity;

Or. fr

Amendment 36

Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Draws attention to the significant **economic** disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region **and** in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of **highly** developed **areas and eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent** area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, **which is crucial in the face of an aging population**;

Amendment

7. Draws attention to the significant disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region in terms of **economy and innovation**, and **to** the necessity of **eliminating this disparity; believes that in order to reach this aim, it is necessary** to increase **and exploit** the potential of **all areas, including the more developed ones, as they can help pulling the less advantageous regions, thus creating a durable** area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness;

Or. en

Amendment 37

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Draws attention to the significant economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and ***eliminate inequality*** in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population;

Amendment

7. Draws attention to the significant economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and ***open up new areas with development and innovation potential*** in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population;

Or. de

Amendment 38

Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Draws attention to the ***significant*** economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population;

Amendment

7. Draws attention to the economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

7. Draws attention to the significant economic disproportion that exists in the Baltic Sea Region and in terms of innovation, and the necessity to increase the potential of highly developed areas and eliminate inequality in order to create a permanent area of common prosperity with a high level of competitiveness, which is crucial in the face of an aging population ***and new patterns in globalisation;***

Or. en

Amendment 40
Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

7a. Draws attention to the fact that the economic growth in significant areas of the Baltic Sea Region is entirely dependent upon maintaining and developing coastal fishing, which offers specific environmental, economic and cultural benefits and gives the inhabitants of those areas the opportunity to secure an appropriate standard of living;

Or. pl

Amendment 41

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Emphasises that the prompt and consistent implementation of existing EU legal acts designed to strengthen the internal market, such as the Services Directive, is necessary to increase the attractiveness of the Baltic Sea Region as an economic area;

Or. de

Amendment 42

Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly;

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening, in the context of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region as well as of the future macro-regional strategies, of the relations between the European Union and the non-EU states whose territories are part of the functional spaces in question, so that they can be adequately involved and consequently contribute towards a full achievement of the objectives of the strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poreba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for the **renewal** and deepening of relations **as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region** between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of **a given** macro-region or affect those spaces directly;

Amendment

8. Calls for the **further development** and deepening of relations between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of **the** macro-region **encompassed by the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region** or **which** affect those spaces directly, **leading to better cooperation in the area of environmental protection, as well as educational and cultural cooperation, and providing a basis for fair competition;**

Or. pl

Amendment 44

Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly, **particularly in the implementation of large-scale projects that could affect the state of the Baltic Sea environment;**

Or. lt

Amendment 45

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly;

Amendment

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly, ***in particular Russia and Belarus;***

Or. de

Amendment 46

Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly;

Amendment

8. Calls for the renewal and deepening of relations as part of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region between the European Union and neighbouring countries not belonging to the Union whose territories are part of the functional spaces of a given macro-region or affect those spaces directly; ***calls, further, for a mechanism to strengthen security within the region and step up the fight against cross-border crime;***

Or. ro

Amendment 47

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Draws attention to the need to seek closer cooperation, particularly between Russia and Belarus and the Baltic States, when developing energy networks, and to make greater use of the energy dialogue between the EU and Russia for this purpose, which would at the same time open up opportunities for involving Russia in the Baltic Sea Strategy;

Or. de

Amendment 48

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Notes that deepening of relations with third countries is possible on the basis of shared responsibilities for the environmental challenges and of equal commitments to transparency, reciprocity and international rules; expects all actors around the Baltic Sea to join the Espoo Convention; notes that external relations with third states in the Baltic Sea Region beyond the sectoral cooperation within the Strategy must be financed from instruments meant for external relations of the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Believes that in order to achieve an effective protection of the environment and of biodiversity, agreements should be reached with the non-EU states that are part of the functional areas interested by the strategies, so that they can share the same values, rights and duties contained in the relevant European Union legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. ***Calls on*** the Member States and regions to ***take advantage of*** the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 ***in order*** to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, ***while understanding the*** difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

9. ***Invites*** the Member States and the regions to ***check whether*** the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 ***could perhaps be used*** to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, ***since there are*** difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

Or. de

Amendment 51
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Member States and regions to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, ***while understanding the difficulties associated with modifying*** the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

Amendment

9. Calls on the Member States and regions to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, ***and, at the same time, recommends, where justified, making provision for changes*** to the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

Or. hu

Amendment 52
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Member States and regions to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, while understanding the difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

Amendment

9. Calls on the Member States and regions to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, ***in particular to promote job creation and economic growth in areas most affected by the economic crisis***, while understanding the difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

Or. hu

Amendment 53
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Member States and regions

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to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, while understanding the difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period;

to take advantage of the Structural Funds available for 2007-2013 in order to ensure maximum support for the Strategy, while understanding the difficulties associated with modifying the Operational Programmes in the current programming period; ***points out that exploiting the specific characteristics of regions could lead to much more effective use being made of the Structural Funds and the creation of added value at regional level, although care must also be taken to avoid duplication of funding;***

Or. ro

Amendment 54

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls on the European Commission to put forward proposals for regulations aimed at rebuilding the maritime economy of Baltic Sea countries, particularly in regard to shipbuilding and domestic shipping;

Or. pl

Amendment 55

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges **and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;**

are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy **and a coherent infrastructure policy**, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges;

Or. de

Amendment 56
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges **and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;**

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Or. de

Amendment 57
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

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Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges **and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;**

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Or. de

Amendment 58
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and **appropriate organisational structures** put in place at EU level;

Amendment

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and **sufficient framework** put in place at EU level;

Or. en

Amendment 59

François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

Amendment

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level, ***and how they should relate with existing national and local structures***;

Or. en

Amendment 60

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy ***and*** industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and

Amendment

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy, industrial policy ***and transport policy***, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new

appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy *and* industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

Amendment

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy, *transport policy*, industrial policy *and research policy*, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

Or. pl

Amendment 62
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Considers that all actions regarding sector policies with a territorial dimension are of key importance to the Strategy's success and the achievement of the ambitious goals of further micro-regional

Amendment

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strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level;

strategies, including the common agricultural policy, fisheries policy and industrial policy, as well as combining available funds intended for jointly defined goals in a given area; in this context a policy review should be carried out with regard to these new challenges and appropriate organisational structures put in place at EU level ***that are in harmony with the relevant strategies of the EU Member States and cooperate closely with the appropriate Member State institutions;***

Or. hu

Amendment 63
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of reflections on territorial cohesion, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion;

Amendment

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of reflections on territorial cohesion, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion, ***and with this in mind calls on the Commission to engage in active dialogue on the role and impact of EU macro-regional policies after 2013;***

Or. bg

Amendment 64
Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of **reflections on** territorial cohesion, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion;

Amendment

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of **idea of** territorial cohesion, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion

Or. en

Amendment 65

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11**

Motion for a resolution

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of reflections on territorial cohesion, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion;

Amendment

11. Believes that the Strategy's territorial dimension will lead to the concrete development of reflections on **the** territorial cohesion **of states**, which the Treaty of Lisbon places on an equal footing with economic and social cohesion;

Or. pl

Amendment 66
László Surján

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12**

Motion for a resolution

12. **Welcomes the strengthening of** cooperation between countries and regions in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies;

Amendment

12. **Encourages the development of specific provisions within the forthcoming General Regulation on Structural Funds on the basis of territorial cooperation objective, that is clear, simple and takes into account the different administrative**

culture, languages of the countries and does not impose extra administrative burdens on the beneficiaries, in order to strengthen the cooperation between countries and regions *also* in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Welcomes the strengthening of cooperation between countries and regions in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies;

Amendment

12. Welcomes the strengthening of cooperation between countries and regions in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies *as complementary tool to the existing program structures in general and notes, that the macro-region strategies should not replace national inputs, but rather should complement them;*

Or. en

Amendment 68
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Welcomes the strengthening of cooperation between countries and regions in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies;

Amendment

12. Welcomes the strengthening of cooperation between countries and regions in terms of macro-regions and the development of further joint action strategies, *which may enhance the region's attractiveness at European and*

international levels and may subsequently constitute a model for cross-border cooperation in Europe;

Or. ro

Amendment 69
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies;

Amendment

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, ***making it necessary to update the strategy in line with subsequent developments***, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies;

Or. ro

Amendment 70
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies;

Amendment

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies; ***therefore calls for the collation and summarising of the results and good***

practices from the implementation of the Strategy which could form the basis for the good practice database planned by the Commission;

Or. bg

Amendment 71
Iosif Matula, Iuliu Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies;

Amendment

13. Draws attention to the fact that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be seen as a process in which the principle of action and cooperation is constantly developed, and that the overriding goal is to find optimal mechanisms that can be transferred to future macro-regional strategies; *emphasises, in this respect, the importance of promoting successful initiatives with a view to using them to inform future macro-regional strategies;*

Or. ro

Amendment 72
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and

Amendment

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and

the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

the implementation of concrete actions; in this context *especially* the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 73

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

Amendment

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural, *educational* and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

Or. pl

Amendment 74 Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil

Amendment

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society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, ***economic***, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

Or. de

Amendment 75
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies;

Amendment

14. Considers that territorial cooperation developed as part of a strategy for macro-regions can lead to a significant strengthening of the integration process through the greater involvement of civil society in the decision-making process and the implementation of concrete actions; in this context the implementation of social, cultural and tourism elements are recommended for macro-regional strategies, ***and, in order to strengthen local civil society participation and subsidiarity, also considers it important to promote macro-regional strategies by setting up EGTCs;***

Or. hu

Amendment 76
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Emphasises the importance of

Amendment

15. Emphasises the importance of

promoting the development of education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in *these areas*;

promoting the development of education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation *particularly in the last-named area; recognises that in the area of education cooperation can certainly be highly beneficial, but that competence should remain with the Member States*;

Or. de

Amendment 77

François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these areas;

Amendment

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of *culture*, education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these areas;

Or. fr

Amendment 78

Danuta Maria Hübner

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of education *and* research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these areas;

Amendment

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of education, research *and innovation* as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these area

Or. en

Amendment 79
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these areas;

Amendment

15. Emphasises the importance of promoting the development of education and research as well as encouraging the Member States to enter into close cooperation in these areas; ***recommends the strengthening of the strategic approach and long-term planning in respect of macro-regions. In this respect it is important to define and discuss extensively the future image the macro-region wishes to promote and the strategic developments it wishes to implement in order to achieve this;***

Or. hu

Amendment 80
François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation;

Amendment

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, ***under which the Union shall act if the objectives of the proposed action cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States,*** and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation, ***that capitalises these new cooperation opportunities in these functional areas while respecting established local and regional institutions;***

Amendment 81
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation;

Amendment

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation ***through the promotion of sectoral partnerships, involving regular meetings of the policy-makers responsible, which will strengthen the responsibility shared between the various partner entities;***

Or. ro

Amendment 82
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation;

Amendment

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation, ***at the same time safeguarding the organisational sovereignty of the Member States and regions;***

Or. de

Amendment 83
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation;

Amendment

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation ***as part of the existing structures***;

Or. de

Amendment 84
Marie-Thérèse Sanchez-Schmid

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation;

Amendment

16. Guided by the principle of subsidiarity, and seeing the enormous potential for cooperation at local and regional level, underlines the considerable importance of creating an effective, multilevel structure for cooperation; ***in this respect, calls for the cross-border cooperation mechanisms established at local and regional level to be improved, developed and strengthened***;

Or. fr

Amendment 85

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. In this context, calls on the European Commission to create a special web portal devoted to Baltic Sea cooperation, which would act as an information centre regarding the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region and inter-governmental, non-governmental, regional and local initiatives, and which would also act as a forum for the exchange of experience regarding current and future projects undertaken by central and local government, NGOs and other entities active in the Baltic Sea Region;

Or. pl

Amendment 86

Georgios Stavrakakis, Wojciech Michał Olejniczak

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Stresses the fact that the new "macroregional" framework of cooperation has a strong "top-down" approach with the Member States to have a decisive role in its development and creates a new level of governance; in the framework of this new model of cooperation it has to be assured that the natural handicaps of the peripheral regions are converted into assets and opportunities, and that the development of these regions is stimulated';

Amendment 87
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. **Considers** that the idea of macro-regions **combines** the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems **appearing in** a given region **with that of using the resources available**;

Amendment

17. **Notes** that the idea of macro-regions **should combine** the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems **of** a given region, **relying to use of resources available with the EU level financial approach, coordinated by the European Commission**;

Amendment 88
Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Considers that the idea of macro-regions combines the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems appearing in a given region with that of using the resources available;

Amendment

17. Considers that the idea of macro-regions combines the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems appearing in a given region with that of using the resources available; **points out that, by drawing on the specific characteristics of each region, sector-wide solutions can be identified**;

Amendment 89
Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Considers that the idea of macro-regions combines the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems appearing in a given region with that of *using* the resources available;

Amendment

17. Considers that the idea of macro-regions combines the considerable potential for optimising the response to the challenges and problems appearing in a given region with that of *an effective and efficient use of* the resources available;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. *Awaits with great interest the analysis of* the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, *which will lead to the development of new sources of payment and a method for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions;*

Amendment

18. *Calls on the European Commission to analyse* the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, *in order to use the pilot project as an example for other macro-regional strategies and to demonstrate their viability;*

Or. de

Amendment 91
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Awaits with great interest the analysis of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, ***which will lead to the development of new sources of payment and a method for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions;***

Amendment

18. Awaits with great interest the analysis of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region;

Or. de

Amendment 92
Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Awaits with great interest the analysis of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, which will ***lead to the development of new sources of payment and a method*** for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions;

Amendment

18. Awaits with great interest the analysis of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, which will ***help to map out possible sources and methods*** for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions;

Or. en

Amendment 93
François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, which will lead to the development of new sources of payment and a method for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions;

of the first results and experiences in connection with the implementation of the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, which will lead to the development of new sources of payment and a method for financing macro-regional strategies and be an inspiration and example for further macro-regions, ***while stressing however that the development of macro regions is essentially a complementary measure that does not aim at substituting EU financing of individual local and regional programmes as the priority of interventions;***

Or. en

Amendment 94

Joachim Zeller, Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 95

Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to

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resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources;

Or. de

Amendment 96
Victor Boştinaru

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to *resolve* the issue of *its own appropriate* human and financial resources;

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to *make sure it solves* the issue of *having adequate internal* human and financial resources, *in order to be able to fulfil its duties, including the supervision of the implementation of the strategies;*

Or. en

Amendment 97
László Surján

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources;

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources *via avoiding duplication of work, and rethinking the new priorities while accordingly shifting the resources to specialised needs and expertise requirements to be met;*

Or. en

Amendment 98

François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources;

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources, ***in order, inter alia, to anticipate these strategies in the regions concerned on the basis of the territorial realities;***

Or. fr

Amendment 99

Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources;

Amendment

19. For the benefit of future macro-regional strategies, draws attention to the need for the European Commission to resolve the issue of its own appropriate human and financial resources; ***draws attention to the fact that the Commission can provide participating Member States with fresh ideas concerning topics of European interest and support them in drawing up a strategy, helps to negotiate new alliances to be forged during the implementation phase, performs an advisory role and is asked by the Member States to act as coordinator;***

Or. de

Amendment 100
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed (separately or as part of cohesion policy), who should implement them and how, and with what sources of funding they should be financed;

Amendment

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 101
Richard Seeber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed (separately or as part of cohesion policy), who should implement them and how, **and with what sources of funding they should be financed;**

Amendment

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed (separately or as part of cohesion policy) **and** who should implement them and how;

Or. de

Amendment 102

François Alfonsi, Ian Hudghton, Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed (separately or as part of cohesion policy), who should implement them and how, and with what sources of funding they should be financed;

Amendment

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed (separately or as part of cohesion policy) **and timed**, who should implement them and how, and with what sources of funding they should be financed, **particularly in the context of the EU2020 Strategy, the EU budget review and the future cohesion policy**;

Or. en

Amendment 103

Riikka Manner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

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Amendment

21. Calls on the European Commission, the Member States and its own members to find answers to the questions of what nature macro-regional policies should take and how they should be programmed **in an equal manner** (separately or as part of cohesion policy), who should implement them and how, and with what sources of funding they should be financed **in order not to create unnecessary multiplication and fragmentation of community funding**;

Or. en

Amendment 104
Franz Obermayr

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

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Or. de

Amendment 105
Manfred Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Emphasises that the European added value of macro-regions lies in improving cooperation among states and regions, which is why the European Territorial Cooperation Programmes for cross-border, transnational and inter-regional cooperation are fundamental to the achievement of the macro-regions' aims; points out that the focus is on cooperation among states and regions and the European Territorial Cooperation Programmes are therefore particularly well suited to achieving the common goals of a greater area; makes clear, however, that this does not rule out the possibility of projects supported by other European

development schemes being geared towards the goals of macro-regional development strategies at the discretion of Member States;

Or. de

Amendment 106
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Proposes that the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region should be regarded as a European Union strategy, based on several EU policies, which should have a definite time frame and goals; given its horizontal nature, the strategy could be treated as macro-regional and its coordination linked to regional policy;

Or. pl

Amendment 107
Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Believes that the development of large-scale strategies, such as macro-regional strategies, should contribute to enhancing the role of the local and regional level in the implementation of EU policy more generally;

Or. es

Amendment 108

Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Proposes that new strategies should continue to be developed in other geographical areas, such as the Danube Basin, the Atlantic Arc, the Alps and the Mediterranean, and that these strategies should continue to enjoy adequate support from the States involved and the European institutions;

Or. es

Amendment 109

Jacek Olgierd Kurski, Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Marek Henryk Migalski, Mirosław Piotrowski

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council ***and*** the Commission.

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Or. pl