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Amendment 1

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Citation ? (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the UN report
'Rethinking poverty-Report on the World
Social Situation 2010',**

Or. en

Amendment 2

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Citation ? (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the Council
Conclusions of June 21th 2007
'Promoting Employment through EU
Development Cooperation',**

Or. en

Amendment 3

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Citation 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the 2009 study by
Megapesca Lda entitled 'Overall
evaluation study of the Fisheries
Partnership Agreements policy,**

Or. en

Amendment 4

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Citation 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the current reforms on the Common Agriculture Policy and on the Common Fisheries Policy,

Or. en

Amendement 5

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

A. Whereas ***strong economic growth within a stable, business-friendly environment helps create wealth and jobs*** and is therefore the surest and most sustainable route out of poverty,

A. Whereas ***Local Economic Development (LED) strategies, based on democratic participation of local communities has a potential to create wealth and decent jobs*** and is therefore the surest and most sustainable route out of poverty,

Or. en

Amendment 6

Vincent Peillon

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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A. whereas strong ***and sustainable*** economic growth within a stable, business-friendly environment helps create wealth and jobs and is therefore the surest and

route out of poverty,

most sustainable route out of poverty,

Or. fr

Amendement 7

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

Aa. whereas hunger, malnutrition, and exclusion of millions of people from access to food and basic public services are consequences of economic, agricultural and trade policies at national and international level,

Or. en

Amendement 8

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

E. whereas industrialisation is partly to blame for climate change, and industrialised nations are mainly responsible for the economic and financial crisis, yet the cost of tackling them in developing countries runs to hundreds of billions of dollars a year,

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 9
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas industrialisation is partly to blame for climate change, and industrialised nations are mainly responsible for the economic and financial crisis, yet the cost of tackling them in developing countries runs to hundreds of billions of dollars a year,

deleted

Or. nl

Amendment 10
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F. whereas *both EU donors and* developing country governments are failing to meet their spending benchmarks for health and education,

F. whereas developing country governments are failing to meet their spending benchmarks for health and education,

Or. nl

Amendment 11
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas *the developing world faces an urgent shortage of qualified health personnel* and whereas many skilled workers, in health and other sectors, are not

G. whereas *recruitment of qualified health personnel by industrialised countries constitutes one of the factors, which aggravates the fragile health system in*

returning home to benefit their own communities,

developing countries, and whereas many skilled workers, in health and other sectors, are not returning home to benefit their own countries *due to political and economical reasons*,

Or. en

Amendment 12
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the developing world faces an urgent shortage of qualified health personnel and whereas many skilled workers, in health and other sectors, are not returning home to benefit their own communities,

Amendment

G. whereas the developing world faces an urgent shortage of qualified health personnel and whereas many skilled workers, in health and other sectors, are not returning home to benefit their own communities; *whereas the European blue card will result in a further brain drain from developing countries, with all the detrimental effects which it entails*,

Or. nl

Amendment 13
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ga. whereas over 70% of the world's poor in developing countries live in rural areas and are directly or indirectly dependent on agriculture for their livelihoods and their markets are undermined by heavily subsidised European products which expose local farmers to structural poverty and dependence on external aid, which is recently exacerbated by the land grab

phenomenon,

Or. en

Amendment 14
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

I. whereas 90% of EU citizens are in favour of development cooperation, although the downturn threatens to weaken this support,

deleted

Or. nl

Amendment 15
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

Ja. whereas tax evasion and illicit capital flights from developing countries represents 10 times the value of development aid,

Or. en

Amendment 16
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Recital N

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

N. whereas the poorest countries are severely underrepresented in international

deleted

institutions and global fora,

Or. nl

Amendment 17

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Recital N a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Na. whereas social protection systems have been proven as powerful instruments for poverty reduction and social cohesion and the majority of the global population has no adequate social protection coverage,

Or. en

Amendment 18

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Urges governments in developing countries to *avoid overburdening businesses – especially SMEs, motors of jobs and growth – with excessive red tape;*

1. Urges government in developing countries to *adopt Local Economic Development (LED) strategies, which has a great potential to transform their countries' economies from export led towards national and intra-regional sustainable development in order to build domestic and regional markets by taking into account the real need of the populations;*

Or. en

Amendement 19
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Urges governments in developing countries to avoid overburdening businesses – especially SMEs, motors of jobs and growth – with excessive red tape;

Amendement

1. Urges governments in developing countries ***to diversify their economy through the development of their manufacturing sector and*** to avoid overburdening businesses – especially SMEs, motors of jobs and growth – with excessive red tape;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Eleni Theoharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendement 21
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

1a. Calls for a regulated fair and equitable trade agreement between industrialised and developing countries, which allows developing countries to

build local economy and employment without being exposed to unfair competition between the two systems with great differences in matter of productivity, divergent policies and subsidies;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Calls on all developing countries to sign up to the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and to guarantee satisfactory labour standards, high levels of social protection and genuine social dialogue;

Amendment

2. Calls on all developing countries to sign up to the ILO's Decent Work Agenda and ***the UN Social Protection Floor initiative*** to guarantee satisfactory labour standards, high levels of ***comprehensive*** social protection ***coverage that reaches the poorest and marginalised persons*** and genuine social dialogue;

Or. en

Amendment 23

Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Underlines the importance to equally sign up to and implement the various ILO conventions on international labour standards and recommends employing the provisions of the ILO resolution 'Recovering from the crisis: A Global Jobs Pact';

Or. en

Amendment 24
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Calls on the EU to recognise the contribution of the social economy (eg cooperatives) to job creation and the promotion of decent work in developing countries, and to include the social economy in EU development programmes and cooperation strategies;

Or. en

Amendement 25
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

4. Invites developing countries to ***extend land ownership among the poor and dispossessed, for instance by giving squatters in shanty towns the titles to the land they live on;***

4. Invites developing countries to ***take measures to foster access to land, water and the resources of biodiversity in support of local sustainable economic development in general and find a solution to squatters in shanty towns by giving them land where they live in;***

Or. en

Amendment 26
Vincent Peillon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Encourages developing countries to diversify their economies to the maximum, so as no longer to be exclusively dependent on a very limited number of products, particularly agricultural products for export,

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Reminds developing countries to respect local traditions of common land use for agriculture in order to facilitate and to protect existing small farming;

Or. en

Amendement 28

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

5a. Believes that EU Member States should act as role models among developing countries in terms of budgetary discipline, tax collection and good governance;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Urges all developing countries to foster independent parliaments, able to contribute effectively to deepening democracy by freely exercising their legislative, budgetary and scrutiny functions;

Amendment

7. Urges all developing countries to foster independent parliaments, able to contribute effectively to deepening democracy by freely exercising their legislative, budgetary and scrutiny functions; ***at the same time, draws attention to the enormous importance of a judicial system which operates independently and is properly developed;***

Or. nl

Amendment 30
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Encourages governments in developing countries to maximise ***civil society organisations'*** involvement in formulating and monitoring public policy;

Amendment

8. Encourages governments in developing countries to maximise ***non state actors'*** involvement in formulating, ***implementing*** and monitoring public policy;

Or. en

Amendement 31
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. ***Supports*** developing countries ***in their efforts*** to strengthen and deepen ***regional***

Amendement

10. ***Calls upon*** developing countries to strengthen and deepen regional economic

integration, through free-trade areas,
regional economic communities, regional
development banks, *etc.*;

communities *through fair and equitable*
trade and through regional development
banks;

Or. en

Amendment 32

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***10a. Reaffirms that developing countries
should legitimately be allowed to enact
policies which creates for domestic added
value, and considers that the current EU
trade regime which taxes raw materials
less than processed goods is counter to
industrialisation of developing countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 33

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***11a. Asks for free and full access for all to
educational systems, i.e. basic and higher
as well as vocational education, in order
to qualify the local population to become
skilled workers;***

Or. en

Amendment 34
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11b. Insists that both donor and developing countries have to fulfil their commitments to realize the Millennium Development Goals by 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Supports measures, such as salary subsidies, that encourage local doctors to remain and practise within their communities;

12. Supports measures, such as salary subsidies, that encourage local doctors to remain and practise within their communities ***and that strengthen medical systems which are accessible for everybody;***

Or. en

Amendment 36
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Supports measures, such as salary subsidies, that encourage local ***doctors*** to remain and practise within their communities;

12. Supports measures, such as salary subsidies, ***job and training opportunities,*** that encourage local ***scientists as well as other skilled workers*** to remain and

practise within their communities;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Supports the creation of new job positions within the developing countries in order to dramatically reduce the flow of immigrants towards the EU, thus helping the economic and political stability of the parties involved;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Supports measures that invest in and build up public services in general in order to create jobs and strengthen state capacities, facilities and social cohesion as it is indicated in the UN Report 'Rethinking poverty';

Or. en

Amendment 39
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls for more emphasis to be placed on practical healthcare, *i.e. distributing bloodanalysers and training local people to use them;*

Amendment

13. Calls for more emphasis to be placed on practical healthcare *and awareness raising among the population about the merits of medical treatments;*

Or. en

Amendment 40
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Highlights that the development of human resources is indispensable in all development strategies and crucial to job creation. Calls on the EU and developing countries to analyse the employment needs and the labour market, make forecasts and anticipate the major challenges involved in adapting vocational training to employment;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Believes all development strategies should pay special attention to the most

Amendment

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vulnerable, especially women, children and people with disabilities;

vulnerable *and marginalised*, especially women, children, *older people* and people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Vincent Peillon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Considers it indispensable to meet basic needs, and therefore assigns particularly high priority to measures to promote food security and access to drinking water,

Or. fr

Amendment 43
Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Highlights the problem of child labour, impeding the healthy upbringing and necessary education of these children, and thus calls on all concerned states and the EU to do their utmost to fight child labour;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Points out the importance of gender equality for the economic success of states, and calls therefore for greater efforts to ensure gender equality also in the economy;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Insists that donors and partner countries should ensure agriculture, particularly smallholder farming, ***moves*** up the development agenda;

15. Insists that donors and partner countries should ensure ***that*** agriculture, particularly smallholder farming ***and small, medium, eco-friendly and agro-industries, move*** up the development agenda;

Or. en

Amendement 46
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

15. Insists that donors and partner countries should ensure agriculture, particularly smallholder farming, ***moves*** up the development agenda;

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Amendment 47
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Supports investment in 'green jobs', for example by developing **solar-power** systems in poor countries, as a way to provide sources of energy and, at the same time, create jobs **and protect** the environment;

Amendment

16. Supports investment in 'green jobs' **and in green industry**, for example by developing **renewable energy and energy efficiency** systems in poor countries, **including solar-power for the benefit of the local communities**, as a way to provide **sustainable** sources of energy and, at the same time, create jobs **for the protection of** the environment;

Amendement 48
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Supports investment in 'green jobs', for example by developing solar-power systems in poor countries, as a way to provide sources of energy and, at the same time, create jobs **and protect** the environment;

Amendement

16. Supports investment in 'green jobs' **and in green industry**, for example by developing **renewable energy and energy efficiency in poor countries including** solar-power systems in poor countries, as a way to provide **sustainable** sources of energy and, at the same time, create jobs **while protecting** the environment;

Amendment 49
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Urges all rich countries, especially EU states, to keep their spending promises as regards aid, i.e. at least 0.7% of GNI by 2015;

deleted

Or. nl

Amendement 50
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

18a. Calls for a common definition of poverty among the Member States to identify the relevant working fields and the entitled beneficiaries with regard to the EU development aid;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Underlines that export subsidies have led to the dumping of EU products on in developing countries' markets and contributed to job destruction by , rendering local agricultural products such as frozen chicken parts, pork, sugar and canned tomatoes uncompetitive and

*manufactured industrial good
uneconomical;*

Or. en

Amendment 52

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Believes that Policy Coherence can bring fruitful results in job creation in developing countries and calls therefore for EU external policies change, as they have a direct impact in developing countries economies, which should be designed to support developing countries sustainable needs in order to fight poverty, guarantee decent income and livelihood as well as the fulfilment of basic human rights, including social, economic and environmental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 53

Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Calls for substantial funding to tackle the effects of climate change and the global economic crisis in developing countries but insists that these funds must be additional to current development aid;

deleted

Or. nl

Amendment 54
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Proposes a financial transaction tax to generate revenue in order to pay for employment creation programmes and to attain the Millennium Development Goals by 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Calls on the EU to **honour** its aid-for-trade **commitments**;

20. Calls on the EU to **review** its aid-for-trade **policy and replace its aid for equitable and fair trade**;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Emphasises that the EU has to abolish its subsidy policies, especially in the agricultural sector, in order to facilitate fair trade conditions regarding

developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Insists that the commission make sure that the external dimension of the current reform of the Common Fisheries Policies will be mainstreamed with the EU development policy as they are directly linked with the livelihood of the population in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 58

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Recalls that the EU-access to fish stocks in third countries should not in any way be a condition for development assistance to those countries;

Or. en

Amendment 59

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21c. Underlines that the EU sector support to the fisheries industry in third countries is aimed at developing these countries' harbours with the proper infrastructure to facilitate local landing and processing of fish in order to create new jobs, and calls on the Commission to monitor and verify that these goals are achieved, as well as providing financial and technical support to improve the ability of the third country to monitor fishing activities in their waters and to apprehend vessels observed committing infractions;

Or. en

Amendement 60
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

25. Urges G20 nations to carry through on pledges to stamp out tax havens, to tighten up supervision of financial markets and to usher in tax information exchange ***and country-by-country reporting;***

25. Urges G20 nations to carry through on pledges to stamp out tax havens, to tighten up supervision of financial markets and to usher in tax information exchange; ***furthermore the G20 should instruct the International Accounting Standard Board to adopt a new standard that includes country-by-country reporting;***

Or. en

Amendment 61
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Urges the EU to target its aid towards promoting capacity building in areas that will directly benefit partner countries' economic fabric and create jobs, i.e. building efficient tax systems, fighting corruption, strengthening institutions and civil society, facilitating access to microcredit and other sources of finance, etc.;

Amendment

27. Urges the EU to target its aid towards promoting capacity building in areas that will directly benefit partner countries' economic fabric and create jobs, i.e. ***developing their productive capacity***, building efficient tax systems, fighting corruption, strengthening institutions and civil society, facilitating access to microcredit and other sources of finance, etc.;

Or. en

Amendement 62

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Urges the EU to target its aid towards promoting capacity building in areas that will directly benefit partner countries' economic fabric and create jobs, i.e. building efficient tax systems, fighting corruption, strengthening institutions and civil society, facilitating access to microcredit and other sources of finance, etc.;

Amendement

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Or. en

Amendment 63

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Calls on the EU to target its aid also towards building up social protection systems in developing countries as an important and effective means to reduce poverty;

Or. en

Amendment 64

Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Calls on the EU to provide education opportunities for developing-world students **but to ensure they return home after their studies to benefit their own communities;**

Amendment

28. Calls on the EU to provide **more** education opportunities for developing-world students;

Or. en

Amendment 65

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Calls on the EU to provide education opportunities for developing-world students but to **ensure** they return home after their studies to benefit their own communities;

Amendment

28. Calls on the EU to provide education opportunities for developing-world students but to **encourage** they return home after their studies to benefit their own communities;

Or. en

Amendement 66
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Calls on the EU to provide education opportunities for developing-world students but to ensure they return home after their studies to benefit their own communities;

Amendement

33h. Calls on the EU to provide education opportunities for developing-world students but to ensure they return home after their studies to benefit their own communities;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Believes that the EU should take account of human rights and governance criteria when drawing up trade agreements with developing countries and should not hesitate to apply sanctions when states fail to respect their governance obligations;

Amendment

29. Believes that the EU should take account of human rights and governance criteria when drawing up trade agreements with developing countries and should not hesitate to apply sanctions when states fail to respect their governance obligations;
deplores the fact that the clauses dealing with human rights and good governance (the 'essential element' clauses) have to date in many cases remained ineffective, although both now and in the past numerous manifest and persistent violations have occurred;

Or. nl

Amendment 68
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Calls on the Commission to promote in the appropriate ways and at appropriate times monitoring of the production chains of European undertakings operating abroad in order to verify the elimination of exploitation of child labour and compliance with the labour standards promoted by ILO Conventions, as well as promoting access to education, which is a crucial factor in combating poverty;

Or. it

Amendment 69
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Urges the establishment of close relations in the context of a reliable network among major governmental and non-governmental institutions and organisations dealing with poverty reduction in all developing countries in order to share views and experiences with the EU assistance's formulation, implementation and monitoring;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29b. Supports the establishment of databases at national and EU levels in order to collect and compare basic data relevant to the poverty in developing countries as a procedure aiming at facilitating and increasing the efforts towards the poverty reduction;

Or. en

**Amendment 71
Eleni Theocharous**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29c. Stresses the necessity of strengthening the existing coordination among international and regional organisation as an additional effort to provide technical support to the implementation and monitoring of an EU Plan of Action on Alleviating Poverty;

Or. en

**Amendment 72
Eleni Theocharous**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 d (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29d. Notes the necessity of establishing an 'Advisory Groups' on specific issues as a concrete step and reliable procedure aiming at providing technical support in order to pursue the implementation of the

objectives reflected in an EU Plan of Action on Poverty Alleviation in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 73

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. *Accepts the use of budget support **only where there are watertight guarantees that funds will reach their intended destination and satisfy their original purpose and where recipients fulfil** human rights and governance criteria; **looks forward to more effective auditing of budget support;***

Amendment

30. ***Calls for an assessment and auditing of budget support to analyse if their intended goal is achieved and where recipients countries government fulfilled respect for** human rights and **democratic** governance criteria;*

Or. en

Amendement 74

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30

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Amendement

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creation, whereby a scoreboard shall be based on the degree of performance of the expected financial ratios and aims;

Or. en

Amendment 75

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Encourages the EU to pursue an ambitious election observation programme and to place more emphasis in future on monitoring post-election situations;

Amendment

31. Calls on the Commission to present to the European Parliament a coherent and credible proposal on EU post election policy, which respects the free choice of the population in a given country, and fears that the absence of coherent post election policy as they stand now defeat the credibility of the EU Election Observer mission;

Or. en

Amendment 76

Frank Vanhecke

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

32. Supports more democratic representation of developing countries in global institutions;

Amendment

deleted

Or. nl

Amendment 77

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Invites the international financial institutions to ***apply conditionality to their loans and agreements if this proves an effective way to encourage sound public finances, vibrant, job-creating economies or respect for human rights;***

Amendment

33. Invites the international financial institutions to ***review their loan policies in order to support developing countries democratic and sustainable economic development choice and to refrain from harmful conditionalities which contributed led to international financial crisis;***

Or. en

Amendment 78

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

33a. Calls on the EU to take concrete action to eradicate abuses of tax havens, tax evasion and illicit financial flights from developing countries and allow these resources to be invested in developing countries;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 79

Isabella Lövin, Franziska Keller, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 33 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

33b. Calls for a new binding global financial agreement, which forces

Amendment

transnational corporate companies to automatic disclosure of the profits they made and the taxes they paid on a country by country basis;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Kartika Tamara Liotard, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

33a. Calls on the EU to support the UN Social Floor Initiative to extend or implement sustainable social protection systems in developing countries by ensuring greater coherence in external relations policies, developing a Communication on Social Protection in development cooperation as suggested in the Council Conclusions on Promoting Employment through EU Development Cooperation;

Or. en

Amendement 81
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

III - On education

33a. Agrees with the Commission that having a job is the best way to avoid poverty and social exclusion, believes that tackling the education gap in developing countries is one of the most effective strategies for breaking the cycle of poverty

and unemployment;

Or. en

Amendement 82
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33b. Welcomes the Education For All - Fast Track Initiative (FTI) and the Commission's support of it in principle; urges the Commission to clarify what funds for which purposes it currently makes available to the countries covered by this initiative particular in the field of:

- Early childhood care and learning,***
- Free and compulsory primary Education for All,***
- Learning and life skills for young people and adults,***
- Adult literacy,***
- Gender equality,***
- Quality of education,***

Or. en

Amendement 83
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33c. Recognize that child labour is one of the major obstacles to achieving universal primary education completion and reducing poverty; therefore, the

international community should commit to the eradication of child labour as a matter of urgency and dedicated action;

Or. en

Amendement 84
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33d. Calls for a promotion of inter-agency coordination and alignment in education aid and child labour policy through the strengthening of existing mechanisms, including the Global Task Force for Child Labour and Education;

Or. en

Amendement 85
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33e. Urges the Member States to introduce assistance programmes for parents in various fields where poverty leads to a lack of knowledge with regard to bringing up children to ensure that children in developing countries have a real opportunity;

Or. en

Amendement 86
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33f. Notes that the quality of mental and physical condition is not merely a question of education, training and new information technologies but also a question of access to water, food and medicine, whereby the EU should pay more attention for free teaching materials, free meals, free school buses and free examinations which are clustered in aid projects all in one; deems it imperative to call for a clear interrelation between school-based projects funded by the EU and food as well as health programmes in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendement 87
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33g. Calls on the EU to concentrate its efforts on identifying branches where developing countries have a competitive advantage, whereby the establishment of work-based apprenticeships in these sectors shall be one of the main priorities of EU developing aid;

Or. en

Amendement 88
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

IV. Access to the market

33i. Recalls that developing countries are advised that their products must compete in the open market while the same principle is often not applied to the developed world;

Or. en

Amendement 89
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33j. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to develop a coherent approach which respects the fundamentals of the free market and which gurantees reciprocity in the field of trade;

Or. en

Amendement 90
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33k. Stresses that many developing countries, particular with regard to the

agricultural sector, are characterized by subsistence economies; whereas these economies often are the only source of income and living;

Or. en

Amendement 91
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33l. Considers that propping up economically inefficient branches within the European Union at the expense of branches, where developing countries are having a competitive edge, is no suitable way to fight poverty and to foster job creation in these countries;

Or. en

Amendement 92
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33m. Notes that European taxpayers are paying twice, once to subsidize inefficient branches within the European Union at the expense of poor farmers in developing countries while at the same time funding EU projects aiming to alleviate the poverty of the same audience in these countries;

Or. en

Amendement 93
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 n (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33n. Stresses that the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), due to its strong protection focus, has a distorting and reverse effect on developing countries and the sustainable handling of financial and natural resources within the European Union;

Or. en

Amendement 94
Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 o (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33o. Calls for a liberalisation of the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) which would comprise:

- the abolishment of distortionary agriculture protectionism, namely tariffs on agricultural imports from least developing countries which are pushing the prices for these goods over the intervention prices on equal European products;***
- the step-by-step abolishment of subsidies and quota on agricultural products within the European Union;***
- the step-by-step abolishment of guaranteed intervention prices on agricultural products resulting in surplus production within the European Union and in dumping exports in developing countries and harming their local***

industries;

Or. en

Amendement 95

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 33 p (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33p. Considers that the Commission should elaborate an assessment of the CAP;

Or. en

Amendement 96

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 33 q (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendement

33q. Urges the Commission in this context to give informations about the following aspects:

- a) the negative spill-over effects for developing countries and european consumers in general, resulting from the current CAP;***
- b) price instabilities, resulting from intervention prices, subsidies, quota and tariffs on agricultural imports due to the current CAP;***
- c) alternative ways of using the money being blocked for the CAP in favour of innovative and structural reforms which are taking note of the respective advantages among the Member States and developing Countries by avoiding harmful trade-offs;***

Amendement 97

Wolf Klinz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, *the governments of the Member States and the ILO.*

Amendement

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