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Amendment 168

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15**

Motion for a resolution

15. Stresses that industry's participation rates do not appear any higher than in previous FPs, particular under the 'Cooperation' chapter; thus calls on the Commission to carry out a detailed analysis of the Programme's capacity to **attract** private sector investment;

Amendment

15. Stresses that industry's participation rates do not appear any higher than in previous FPs, *particularly* under the 'Cooperation' chapter; thus calls on the Commission to carry out a detailed analysis of the Programme's capacity to **better leverage** private sector investment;

Or. en

**Amendment 169
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Pilar del Castillo Vera**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Recommends that, in order to consolidate the European Higher Education Area and the urgent need to increase competitiveness, measures should be taken to assess universities, creating common evaluation criteria for assessing commitment to excellence and seeking national and European incentives for research centres that accept these rules;

Or. en

Amendment 170

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Believes that the procedures of competitive calls for additional partners should be based on the basic premise that the companies and researchers involved have the deepest knowledge of the project and which partner it needs best and that, rather than forcing them to follow the ranking lists of the evaluation experts, the Commission should evaluate a written justification of the consortium's choice.

Or. en

**Amendment 171
Silvia-Adriana Țicău**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Welcomes the setting by the Commission of the target of 40% female participation in all evaluation and advisory committees, and calls on the Commission and Member States to adopt new measures to increase female participation in research and innovation activities;

Or. ro

Amendment 172
Hermann Winkler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***considers, however, that efforts to encourage SMEs to participate must nevertheless be stepped up; endorses the Commission view that SME participation in FP7 remains a major challenge; notes that the ‘Eurostar’s programme has to date been of interest only to SMEs which are already R&D-intensive; advocates, therefore, long-term simplification of programme specifications for adaptation to SMEs;*** is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. de

Amendment 173
Vicky Ford, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

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Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***believes that further simplification is fundamental to encourage participation especially of SMEs; is of*** the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the

Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States; *stresses, however, the absolute need to distinguish between criteria for FP7 and Structural Funds, as the principle of excellence should prevail when allocating FP7 funding thus ensuring maximum added value to RDI in Europe; notes in particular the low participation of some Member States (e.g. EU12 and Southern countries) and recommends that simplification of cross-currency reporting be investigated;*

Or. en

Amendment 174

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States; *consequently, calls on the Commission and the national and local authorities to improve the link between the cohesion funds and the Research Framework Programme as these funds should be used to enhance research infrastructure to enable research to reach the level of excellence necessary for access to research funds; in this respect underlines the need to set clear objectives and to assess whether the goals were achieved in these Member States;*

Or. en

Amendment 175
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;***

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***nonetheless recommends launching more than one call per year for specific activities for SMEs, or launching a continuous call with several deadlines each year;***

Or. fr

Amendment 176
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States; ***acknowledges in this context, the difficulties for SMEs to match the thematic calls in FP7 and suggests countering this by issuing more non-thematic calls for SMEs;***

Or. en

Amendment 177

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***highlights the importance of shorter and predictable time-to-grant periods for SME participation***; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 178 Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; ***and advocates further action along these lines in providing support for SMEs***; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. de

Amendment 179

Ioan Enciu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that **better coordination** between FP7 and the Structural Funds could **facilitate** the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that **a more streamlined and direct approach** between FP7 and the Structural Funds could **improve** the participation of under-represented Member States, **especially in the EU - 12 category**;

Or. en

Amendment 180

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds **could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States**;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds **is essential for building the unified European Research Area**;

Or. en

Amendment 181

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter, **for which it suggests an increase of up to 30%**, and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. ro

Amendment 182

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Miroslav Mikolášik

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16**

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16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the results of FP7 in favour of SMEs, as regards both the 15% target set in the ‘Cooperation’ chapter and the ‘Eurostars’ programme; is of the opinion that better coordination, **coherence and synergy** between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 183

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Miroslav Mikolášik

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. In this respect, stresses the importance of cohesion policy as this has become a major source of European support in the field of Research & Development and Innovation, as the Member States – in conformity with the second Community Strategic Guideline on cohesion – have devoted a significant amount of their total financial allocations to R&D&I of a knowledge-based economy, resulting in 246 national or regional operational programmes with around EUR 86 billion allocated to R&D&I;

Or. en

Amendment 184

Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Stresses that one of the best qualities of the 7th Framework Programme is that there exists a sole management and coordination through the European Commission; therefore believes that it should only be possible to territorialise the structural funds, providing that the quality criteria established in the common programme are followed;

Or. en

Amendment 185

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Highlights the pivotal role of Research infrastructures (RIs) for the Knowledge Triangle and calls for coherence between what is funded in different areas; calls for efforts to boost RIs within FP7, especially where there is the greatest scope for added value at European level;

Or. en

Amendment 186
Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Highlights the importance of the Capacities programme for SMEs, insofar as it improves access for small businesses; hopes, therefore, that the number of annual calls for proposals under the programme will be increased, and that that number will be further increased under forthcoming EU programmes;

Or. it

Amendment 187
Antonio Cancian, Patrizia Toia, Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Maintains that SME clustering and

cooperation between networks of SMEs, universities and public research institutes should be facilitated in order further to promote the participation of small-, medium-sized and micro-enterprises;

Or. it

Amendment 188
Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Stresses that only through a better coordination between FP7 and other EU instruments (such as the Structural and Cohesion Funds) the EU can foster capacity-building and promote research capacity across Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Is of the opinion that better coordination between FP7 and the Structural Funds could facilitate the participation of under-represented Member States;

Or. fr

Amendment 190
Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Welcomes the Expert Group's recommendation to analyse the reasons of low participation rates from certain Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 191

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16b. Stresses the importance of improving participation from Member States that are underrepresented, such as through using the People programme for developing the potential for scientists from EU12 and by ensuring that education does not become the forgotten side of the Knowledge Triangle by adequately complementing the linkages between research and innovation with research training, including training specifically aimed at women researchers;

Or. en

Amendment 192
Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16b. Recalls that there can be no research or innovation without the researchers, so calls for actions to tackle the precarious working conditions of most researchers and people involved in research and innovation programmes and activities; stresses also the need for greater commitment in research training of young and new researchers;

Or. en

Amendment 193
Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16c. Stresses that in spite of the fact that FP7 has contributed to increase participation of women in scientific research, the 40% target has not yet been reached, so additional measures are needed to promote an even greater participation of women, as well to broaden the range of disciplines in which women are involved together with the roles and responsibilities they assume in the projects;

Or. en

Amendment 194
Marisa Matias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16d. Underlines that the concentration of funds continues to be a conspicuous problem, not giving to new Member States and southern and eastern countries the same conditions of access;

Or. en

Amendment 195
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 196

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 197
Teresa Riera Madurell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 198
Hannu Takkula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

deleted

Or. fi

Amendment 199
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

17. *Underlines* that *frontier* research and centres of excellence should be at the heart of European research and FP7; reminds that such research is playing an instrumental role in producing new knowledge contributing to economic growth and facilitating Europe's transformation into a knowledge based

society;

Or. en

Amendment 200

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised; *therefore stresses the importance of adapting the research and innovation policies to the specific needs of the territories; notes that since the involvement of regional and local authorities in the design and execution of the research and innovation programmes becomes crucial due to the impossibility of applying the same strategy for development to all the regions;*

Or. en

Amendment 201

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. *Proposes* that research and development policies *be territorialised*;

Amendment

17. *Supports the view* that research and development policies *are basic components of the Europe 2020 Strategy and that it is necessary to develop the ICT infrastructure needed to connect researchers, instruments, data, knowledge and computation resources throughout the EU*;

Amendment 202
Vicky Ford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Proposes that research and development policies ***be territorialised***;

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies ***should make full use of the latest information and communication technologies, such as video-conferencing in order to ensure greater cooperation between participants in different Member States during projects***;

Or. en

Amendment 203
Antonio Cancian

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Proposes that research and development policies ***be territorialised***;

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and ***innovation*** policies ***should take account of the scientific expertise, industries and research institutes already present in a given region, and should help to connect them with one another, inter alia by means of structural funding***;

Or. it

Amendment 204

Jean-Pierre Audy, Christian Ehler, Pilar del Castillo Vera, Herbert Reul, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Proposes that research and development *policies be territorialised*;

Amendment

17. Proposes that, *to express the territorial dimension as well as possible, synergies between research and development policy and the Structural Funds should be developed further*;

Or. fr

Amendment 205

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. *Proposes that* research and development *policies be territorialised*;

Amendment

17. *Calls for further efforts to be made in coordinating research and development programmes of the FP7 and the Structural Funds, in particular those targeted to SMEs*;

Or. en

Amendment 206

Bendt Bendtsen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Proposes that research and

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies *become better at*

development policies *be territorialised*;

reaching remote and local target groups, while recognising excellence in research as the primary aim of the financing programme;

Or. en

Amendment 207
Zigmantas Balčytis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;

17. Proposes that research and development policies be territorialised;
considers it necessary to step up participation in scientific programmes by scientists and scientific establishments belonging to the new EU Member States;

Or. It

Amendment 208

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Calls for rigorous implementation of the 40% target for female participation in Programme and Advisory Committees; highlights the importance of boosting female participation throughout project lifecycles with particular attention to overcoming gender-specific obstacles which women face;

Or. en

Amendment 209
Antonio Cancian, Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Calls for recognition at regional level of the important role played by intermediary organisations (such as chambers of commerce, the Enterprise Europe Network and regional innovation agencies) as a link between innovative SMEs in each region and the Commission;

Or. it

Amendment 210
Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Expresses its concern at the lack of transparency and information regarding forthcoming research challenges, since this makes it impossible to ensure timely and rational preparation on the part of individuals and organisations engaged in research;

Or. el

Amendment 211
Jean-Pierre Audy, Christian Ehler, Pilar del Castillo Vera, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Angelika Niebler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Welcomes the development of a stairway to excellence through dedicated actions in order to foster capacity building in research and innovation across Europe;

Or. fr

Amendment 212

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17b. Expresses its concern that information regarding challenges arising in certain disciplines, particular human sciences, is published only once or at intervals of many years, resulting in fragmented research efforts and wasted research funds, thereby diminishing the appeal of FP7 challenges;

Or. el

Amendment 213

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17b. Believes that the programmes should be opened up to international partners; highlights that the basic principle should be that all programmes should be open for

financing also of foreign groupings (given specific competencies); rejects the notion that the Commission would be better placed than researchers to determine the choice of cooperation partners;

Or. en

Amendment 214
Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of target countries and subjects for international cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to confirm the relevance and benefit of these actions for *them*;

Amendment

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of target countries and subjects for international cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to confirm the relevance and benefit of these actions for *all parties involved; reaffirms, nevertheless, that attention must be given to the cooperation with developing countries;*

Or. en

Amendment 215

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of target countries and subjects for international

Amendment

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of *specific* target countries and subjects for *enhanced*

cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to confirm the relevance and benefit of these actions for them;

international cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to confirm the relevance and benefit of these actions for them;
highlights however the weakness of strategically very important partners such as the BRIC countries;

Or. en

Amendment 216

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of target countries and subjects for international cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to ***confirm the relevance and benefit*** of these actions ***for*** them;

Amendment

18. Takes the view that FP7 should affirm its international cooperation priorities; is of the opinion that the choice of target countries and subjects for international cooperation actions must be made in consultation with the Member States in order to ***ensure complementarities*** of these actions ***with*** them;

Or. en

Amendment 217

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Stresses that all research conducted within the FP7 must be conducted in accordance with fundamental rights as

expressed in the European Charter; therefore, strongly urges the Commission to immediately make all documents related to INDECT (a research project funded by the FP7 aimed at developing an automated observation system that constantly monitors web sites, surveillance cameras and individual computer systems) available and to define a clear and strict mandate for the research goal, the application and the end users of INDECT; stresses that before a thorough investigation on the possible impacts on fundamental rights is made, INDECT should not receive funding from the FP7;

Or. en

Amendment 218
Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Proposes that the Commission help public bodies to improve their management systems by carrying out assessments without financial consequences which would encourage these bodies to take a number of actions to improve their project management and implement them within a specific deadline of less than a year;

Or. es

Amendment 219
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy; ***stresses that universities cannot operate effectively in the short-term process of the political cycle or indeed business cycles which are also often too short; believes that scientific progress on grand challenges require medium to long-term commitment of funding instruments that support both fundamental research and collaboration with industry and other external partners;***

Or. en

Amendment 220

Norbert Glante

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy; ***points out that a 25% increase in funding for the framework programme of research will be necessary after 2013 in order to meet major social challenges and stimulate growth and employment in the EU;***

Or. de

Amendment 221
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be ***maintained*** and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be ***commensurate with the objectives set*** and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Or. ro

Amendment 222
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7, ***which is adequate and credible***, must ***at least*** be maintained; and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Or. fr

Amendment 223
Marisa Matias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term

investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the *Europe 2020 strategy*;

investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the *European project*;

Or. en

Amendment 224

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be *at least* maintained and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 225 Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be *maintained* and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

19. Takes the view that the level of financing of FP7 must be *increased* and recalls that investment in RDI is long-term investment and is key to achieving the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy;;

Or. de

Amendment 226
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Expresses regret that Member States have cut the budgets for education and research owing to the economic and financial crisis; believes that the economic and social development of the EU and its continued global competitiveness depend on quality of education, and calls on the Member States to make education, on which the quality of research and innovation depends, an investment priority in the crisis period;

Or. ro

Amendment 227
Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Notes that, for the period 2007-2013, within the Cohesion Funds (ERDF) EUR 86 billion is allocated in support for innovation (25% of the total amount), of which the allocation for core research and technological development (R&D) amounts to EUR 50 billion, equal to the total budget of FP7;

Or. en

Amendment 228

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Stresses that efforts should be made to align spending as far as possible with the overarching policy objectives under the Europe 2020 strategy and to integrate the research base;

Or. en

**Amendment 229
Amalia Sartori, Jean-Pierre Audy**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Recommends that the current instruments be adjusted to fit the specific mechanisms of innovation, with its time constraints and requirements for placing on the market;

Or. fr

**Amendment 230
Jean-Pierre Audy**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies; **endorses the recommendation by**

policies;

the expert group on the potential to be drawn from synergies between FP7 funds and cohesion policy, and welcomes the constitution of the Synergies Expert Group (SEG);

Or. fr

Amendment 231

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Amendment

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures (***oriented on the ESFRI-list***) should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies; ***believes that duplication of research infrastructure in different Member States should be avoided;***

Or. en

Amendment 232

Antonio Cancian

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Amendment

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures ***and demonstration projects*** should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Or. it

Amendment 233
Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better **coordinated** between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Amendment

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better **co-funded** between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Or. es

Amendment 234
Ioan Enciu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that financing of research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Amendment

20. Stresses that **the** financing of **necessary** research infrastructures should be better coordinated between FP7, EIB instruments, the Structural Funds and national and regional policies;

Or. en

Amendment 235
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Considers that financing of research infrastructures should include public or private funding, including the provision

*of laboratory equipment and instruments,
as well as their maintenance;*

Or. en

Amendment 236
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Is of the opinion that the Structural Funds are an important key in establishing research infrastructure in the Member States that are worst off in terms of research capacity;

Or. en

Amendment 237
Amalia Sartori, Antonio Cancian, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Proposes that the concept demonstration phase be funded in future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation ;

Or. fr

Amendment 238
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. Considers that the beneficiaries of research infrastructure financing should clearly justify their role and their use of the equipment, laboratories and research or technical staff; to this end, believes that a monitoring and inspection system which verify compliance of the agreements should be created;

Or. en

Amendment 239

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls on the Member States and the EU to meet their financial commitments under international research agreements;

21. Calls on the Member States and the EU to meet their financial commitments, **including commitments for actions on the basis of Articles 185 and 187**, under international research agreements;

Or. es

Amendment 240

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls on the Commission – in view of the objective of devoting 3% of GDP to a research and technological development by 2020 and recognising that research and innovation provide the only sure path to economic recovery in the EU – to

consider the possibility of establishing a binding interim level of funding for research and technological development amounting to around 1% of GDP by 2015;

Or. el

Amendment 241
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls on Member States taking part in joint programming initiatives to honour their financial commitments;

Or. fr

Amendment 242
Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Considers that the EU must take national funding systems as a starting point for the consideration of new funding rules, given that many national funding programmes use simpler methods of research funding;

Or. el

Amendment 243
Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21c. Calls on the Commission to adopt the simplified methods used by the Member States as a basis for project assessment in respect of European programmes, which will help to end the parallel use by universities of different accounting methods for national and EU projects;

Or. el

Amendment 244
Teresa Riera Madurell

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that **commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field** of innovation;

22. Is of the opinion that, **if Research and Innovation are to have a clear impact on market and society**, the FP needs to bring the **knowledge generated into the market through actions that enable the optimum exploitation of research and innovation funding**;

Or. en

Amendment 245
Antonio Cancian

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that

22. Is of the opinion that **potential market**

commercialisation should be included *in* the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation;

impact assessment, technology transfer and commercial exploitation of research findings should be included *among* the *main* parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation, *with a view to bringing the entire innovation chain together to form a coherent whole*;

Or. it

Amendment 246

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation *should* be included *in the parameters of future calls for projects* under FP7 in *the field of innovation*;

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that *including specific calls for assessing the potential of innovation and commercialisation of research results could* be included under FP7 in *particular in areas where this would be generating important benefits for society as a whole, such as energy and resource efficiency*;

Or. en

Amendment 247 Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be *included* in the *parameters* of future calls *for projects* under FP7 in *the field of innovation*;

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation *of research results* should be *addressed, especially the lack of funding for proof-of-concept; in order to maintain the key criterion of excellence in* future calls

under FP7 *such funding mechanisms for commercialisation should be established using CIP or Regional Funds in close coordination with FP7;*

Or. en

Amendment 248
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation;

Amendment

22. Notes that the ‘innovation’ aspect has become stronger in future work programmes; is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 **and be one of the evaluation criteria** in the field of innovation; **calls on the Commission to start funding demonstration and pilot projects in FP7’s last few years;**

Or. fr

Amendment 249
Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation;

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of **research and** innovation;

Or. en

Amendment 250

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under **FP7** in the field of innovation;

Amendment

22. Is of the opinion that commercialisation should be included in the parameters of future calls for projects under **FP8** in the field of innovation;

Or. es

Amendment 251

Marian-Jean Marinescu, Lambert van Nistelrooij

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Reiterates the importance of identifying the demand for innovative technologies on the EU market in order to commercialise innovation output; therefore, believes that proper financial instruments should be available to support the introduction of successful technologies on the EU market;

Or. en

Amendment 252

Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Stresses the need for specific measures to encourage the incorporation of new knowledge in standards; stresses that the adoption of standards helps facilitate the use of new technologies and is a precondition for the successful dissemination of newly-developed products world-wide;

Or. de

Amendment 253

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Jan Olbrycht, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Miroslav Mikolášik

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Stresses the importance of better assistance in the implementation of policies and programmes that enhance the synergies within the research and development value chain (infrastructures - innovation - job creation);

Or. en

Amendment 254

Antonio Cancian, Amalia Sartori

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Reiterates that innovation must be understood to cover both products and processes and the organisation of services;

Amendment 255
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ICT and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation;

Amendment

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ICT and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation; ***supports consolidation of this approach in future EU programmes, as recommended by ‘Innovation Union’; reiterates the need to adopt rules on participation (particularly with regard to intellectual property) and attractive funding rates, to encourage SMEs to take part in JTIs and PPPs;***

Amendment 256
Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ***ICT*** and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation;

Amendment

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ***JTIs*** and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation; ***stresses the need to ensure adequate rules for participation (including intellectual property rules) and funding rates (including funding rates for indirect costs) to attract a larger number of SMEs in JTIs and PPPs;***

Amendment 257

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, **ICT** and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation;

Amendment

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, **JTIs** and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation; ***stresses however that those initiatives should ensure a better balance in stakeholders' access and participation, especially SMEs, public research institutes and smaller research organisations;***

Or. en

Amendment 258

Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ICT and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation;

Amendment

23. Acknowledges that European Technology Platforms, ICT and PPPs contribute towards greater industry participation ***but stresses that also here administration should be simplified;***

Or. en

Amendment 259

Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Points out that the EU must support many different sources for innovation; recognizes the importance of ideas, suggestions and competencies of ordinary employees when it comes to innovation since several studies point to the fact that employee driven innovation is not only good for business but also for job satisfaction – and – if performed in the right way - something that may actually reduce stress; stresses that we need to go from a narrow focus on highly educated employees, scientific-, technical and managerial staff to a broader focus on shop floor workers, clerical workers, care workers, metal workers, first line supervisors etc;

Or. en

Amendment 260

Amalia Sartori, Antonio Cancian, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Is of the opinion that the key players in the value chain should be considered in future calls for projects under FP7 in the field of innovation;

Or. fr

Amendment 261

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Stresses that simplification requires a quantum leap and calls for the immediate implementation of identified short term simplification measures;

Or. en

Amendment 262
Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures; ***welcomes the EC decision of 24 January 2011 on three measures for simplifying the implementation of Decision No 1982/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision No 970/2006/Euroatom and amending C(2007) 1509 C (2007) 1625;***

Or. en

Amendment 263
Hermann Winkler, Lambert van Nistelrooij

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive

24. Is concerned by the excessive

administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

administrative burden of FP7; *points out in this connection that EU acceptance specifically on the part of SMEs depends to no small extent on the presentation of attractive funding programmes which are of practical relevance*; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Or. de

Amendment 264
Bendt Bendtsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures, *for example by significantly shortening the time from application to grant, reducing the number of periodic financial status reports, and finding a better balance between research risk and control*;

Or. en

Amendment 265
Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures *and*

calls for the revision and/or extended interpretation of the EU Staff Regulations on the issue of personal liability;

Or. en

Amendment 266
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures; ***with reference to the proposed EU application portal, suggests inspiration from the equivalent U.S. model(www.grants.gov);***

Or. en

Amendment 267
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures ***while stressing that research funding has to be based on more trust;***

Or. en

Amendment 268
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures;

Amendment

24. Is concerned by the excessive administrative burden of FP7; supports the proposal to review the Financial Regulation to simplify procedures ***and to increase SME participation in FP7;***

Or. ro

Amendment 269
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Pilar del Castillo Vera, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Stresses that boosting the importance of research and innovation in Europe requires making every effort in order to attract private companies, foundations or non-profit organizations that participate in projects and will ensure mobility of technical researches between the public and private sector;

Or. en

Amendment 270
Arturs Krišjānis Kariņš

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Stresses that it is particularly important to reduce bureaucratic

procedures for preparing, submitting and assessing project applications and for auditing, and insofar as possible to reduce the amount of time which passes before a contract is concluded with the Commission;

Or. lv

Amendment 271
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to ensure simplification and convergence of the procedures and evaluation criteria for the various research and innovation programmes;

Or. ro

Amendment 272
Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines, Pilar del Castillo Vera, Teresa Riera Madurell, Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24b. Proposes that in order to achieve better coordination of research among Member States, the Commission and the Council should draft a comparative study in order to conduct an approach of procedures for the simplification; in this regards, believes that it is necessary that each Member State identifies internal rules or laws that hinder international cooperation and financial management of

projects involving partners from different states;

Or. en

Amendment 273

Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25**

Motion for a resolution

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to *make proposals on these simplification measures in the context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals*; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money;

Amendment

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; *welcomes the Commission Decision of 24 January 2011 introducing three simplification measures and* calls on the Commission to *rapidly implement* these measures in *a uniform way*; *calls on the Commission to check whether additional simplification measures are still needed*; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money; *asks the Commission to allow beneficiaries to consult the Research Clearing Committee during or after a project to clarify issues related to cost calculation, rules for participation and audits, including ex-post audits*; *stresses the need to preserve what works well and only change the rules which need to be adapted*;

Or. en

Amendment 274

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money;

Amendment

25. ***Welcomes efforts by the Commission to simplify procedures, for example through the creation of the unique registration facility (URF), but*** reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money;

Or. el

Amendment 275

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the

Amendment

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the

context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money

context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; ***regrets the serious problems of interpretation and the consequent legal uncertainty for participants in FP7***; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money

Or. es

Amendment 276
Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money;

Amendment

25. Reiterates the importance of introducing, without delay, procedural, administrative and financial simplification measures into current management of FP7, such as those identified in Parliament's resolution of 11 November 2010, ***particularly with a view to promoting participation by SMEs***; calls on the Commission to make proposals on these simplification measures in the context of the current FP7 to complement its initial proposals; reiterates its wish to see current legal proceedings between the Commission and beneficiaries across all of the framework programmes settled quickly, while respecting the principle of responsible management of public money;

Or. it

Amendment 277
Marian-Jean Marinescu, Lambert van Nistelrooij

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Reiterates the need for increasing the participation in FP projects of the new Member States, which encounter considerable obstacles to enter at the proposal stage, in particular for the first time applicants;

Or. en

Amendment 278

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls for measures to decrease time-to-grant targeted at improving the percentage of grants signed in less than eight months by a certain percentage in 2011 and less than six months during the remaining period;

Or. en

Amendment 279

Lena Ek on behalf of the ALDE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication and **establish** a **moratorium on** the creation of new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Amendment

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication and **calls for a better analysis of what is already there before** the creation of **any** new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Or. en

Amendment 280
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication and establish a moratorium on the creation of new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Amendment

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication, **evaluate existing instruments** and establish a moratorium on the creation of new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Or. de

Amendment 281
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication and establish a moratorium on the creation of new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Amendment

26. Warmly welcomes the recommendations to shorten the timeframe for adjudication and, **as a general rule**, establish a moratorium on the creation of new instruments within the framework of FP7;

Amendment 282
Gunnar Hökmark

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to allow universities to submit one single set of auditing documents per reporting period, incorporating the accounting of European research funds into the accounting of national research programmes, thereby reducing the administrative burden for European universities;

Or. en

Amendment 283
Jean-Pierre Audy, Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Asks the Commission to give Parliament clear and detailed information on the functioning of JTIs, stating in each case their legal status, the people who make up the governing board, and activities undertaken;

Or. fr

Amendment 284
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Encourages the Commission and Member States to adopt new approaches – such as public procurement schemes – that promote innovation;

Or. ro

Amendment 285
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Takes the view that the RSFF has acted as a decisive lever in increasing investment in RDI at a moment of crisis when the banking sector was no longer in a position to play this role, its first years resulting in EUR 8 billion in loans, generating more than EUR 20 billion in investment;

27. Takes the view that the RSFF has acted as a decisive lever in **both qualitative and quantitative terms in** increasing investment in RDI at a moment of crisis when the banking sector was no longer in a position to play this role, its first years resulting in EUR 8 billion in loans, generating more than EUR 20 billion in investment;

Or. fr

Amendment 286
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Expresses regret that RSFF projects are only running in 18 EU Member States

and two associate countries, and that SMEs, universities/research bodies and research facilities are currently underrepresented in the RSFF; calls on the Commission to assess the reasons why the nine other EU Member States have not used this new facility, which has proved to contribute decisively to increasing RDI funding, and to ensure participation of all the countries concerned;

Or. ro

Amendment 287
Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment;

Amendment

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment; *stresses the need to ensure that these financial instruments are suitable for SMEs;*

Or. de

Amendment 288
Jean-Pierre Audy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it

Amendment

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it

contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment;

contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment ***and making more use of financial engineering to support innovation;***

Or. fr

Amendment 289

Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment;

Amendment

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment; ***underlines that public investments have to be considered as well;***

Or. en

Amendment 290

Henri Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment;

Amendment

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in ***FP7 and for the future in*** FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and encouraging private investment;

Or. fr

Amendment 291

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and *encouraging* private investment;

Amendment

28. Recommends that application of this innovative financial instrument be continued and intensified in FP8, since it contributes to improving access to finance and *leveraging* private investment;

Or. en

Amendment 292 Vicky Ford, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to investigate the publicity regarding the availability of the RSFF loans at Member State level and ensure that potential participants have adequate information and assistance to access RSFF loans, especially in those Member States whose currency is not the Euro;

Or. en

Amendment 293 Antonio Cancian, Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Expresses concern, however, in the light of the derisory sums allocated to research infrastructures, universities and research bodies and SMEs, in particular innovative SMEs, and also given the acknowledged geographical and sectoral imbalance in loans allocated; supports, therefore, the specific recommendations made by the expert group aimed at improving participation of certain under-represented target groups;

Amendment

29. Expresses concern, however, in the light of the derisory sums allocated to research infrastructures, universities and research bodies and SMEs, in particular innovative SMEs, and also given the acknowledged geographical and sectoral imbalance in loans allocated; supports, therefore, the specific recommendations made by the expert group aimed at improving participation of certain under-represented target groups, ***and endorses the European Council's conclusions of 4 February 2011, especially its call for all possible options to be explored with a view to the valorisation of intellectual property rights at the European level, in particular to ease SMEs' access to the knowledge market;***

Or. it

Amendment 294

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Expresses concern, however, in the light of the derisory sums allocated to research infrastructures, universities and research bodies and SMEs, in particular innovative SMEs, and also given the acknowledged geographical and sectoral imbalance in loans allocated; supports, therefore, the specific recommendations made by the expert group aimed at improving participation of certain under-represented target groups;

Amendment

29. Expresses concern, however, in the light of the derisory sums allocated to research infrastructures, universities and research bodies and SMEs, in particular innovative SMEs, and also given the acknowledged geographical and sectoral imbalance in loans allocated; supports, therefore, the specific recommendations made by the expert group aimed at improving participation of certain under-represented target groups; ***welcomes in particular the development of a specific***

lending mechanism that would provide SME more adapted and targeted support along the research and innovation cycle;

Or. en

Amendment 295

Christian Ehler, Pilar del Castillo Vera, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Angelika Niebler, Herbert Reul

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Stresses the need to enhance, stimulate and secure the financing of research and development in the Union via a significant increase in relevant expenditure from 2013 onwards, namely for the Eighth Research Framework Programme; is of the opinion that this increase of funding, ideally by doubling the budget, must foster sustainable growth and competition via excellence; emphasizes hereby that this increase of funds must be coupled with a more result-oriented, performance-driven approach and with a radical simplification of funding procedures;

Or. en

Amendment 296

Marisa Matias, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Calls on the Commission to change its attitude towards a more risk-tolerant and trust-based approach, since we are

dealing with both research and innovation;

Or. en

Amendment 297

Philippe Lamberts on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the use of FP7 to take account of the consequences of the economic crisis for the final years of the programme (2011-2013), given the considerable sums (EUR 28.8 billion over three years) still to be programmed, the objectives to be achieved for EU 2020 and preparation for a European Research Area and the Innovation Union;

Amendment

30. Calls for the use of FP7 to take account of the consequences of the economic crisis for the final years of the programme (2011-2013), given the considerable sums (EUR 28.8 billion over three years) still to be programmed, the objectives to be achieved for EU 2020 and preparation for a European Research Area and the Innovation Union; ***calls in particular for the alignment of the FP7 programme objectives with EU strategies on Resource Efficiency, Raw Materials and the Digital Agenda;***

Or. en

Amendment 298

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the use of FP7 to take account of the consequences of the economic crisis for the final years of the programme (2011-2013), given the considerable sums (EUR 28.8 billion over three years) still to be

Amendment

30. Calls for the use of FP7 to take account of the ***different*** consequences ***in each Member State*** of the economic crisis for the final years of the programme (2011-2013), given the considerable sums (EUR

programmed, the objectives to be achieved for EU 2020 and preparation for a European Research Area and the Innovation Union;

28.8 billion over three years) still to be programmed, the objectives to be achieved for EU 2020 and preparation for a European Research Area and the Innovation Union;

Or. el

Amendment 299
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Recommends that the present unspent EU Structural funds and those for the period 2014-2020 be more strongly orientated towards innovation, science and research, both in terms of human resources, development and infrastructure; stresses that government expenditure on university based research and training (and higher education as a whole) should not be regarded as "consumption" of public resources, but as an "investment" in training, skills development and research and innovation activities;

Or. en

Amendment 300

Eva-Britt Svensson on behalf of the FEMM commission
Britta Thomsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Notes that it is commonly recognized that diversity increases innovation in research; emphasises the importance of non-gender segregated research areas; calls on universities and EU Institutions to promote science as an interesting field for both sexes from early stages of education on, by promoting female researchers as role models;

Or. en

Amendment 301
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Considers that growth in research and innovation in the EU can only be achieved by a reduction in bureaucracy, the simplification and convergence of procedures, the development of applied research and facilitation of SME access to financing, in view of the fact that SMEs cannot compete with large enterprises as regards levels of cofinancing;

Or. ro

Amendment 302
Marisa Matias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Stresses that it is important to

consider the assessment of the results obtained in each of the areas defined as political priorities for funding, and how effective they were, in order to improve the evaluation of future programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 303
Antonio Cancian, Amalia Sartori

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Believes that the remaining sums should not be diverted from research and used for other programmes or instruments that do not come within the research and innovation sector or the objectives and scope of FP7;

Or. it

Amendment 304
Lambert van Nistelrooij, Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Hermann Winkler, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Calls for a further elaboration in the direction of an ameliorated approach in the FP8 under the title "Common Strategic Framework for Research and Innovation", or the "Research and Innovation Framework Programme";

Or. en

Amendment 305

**Eva-Britt Svensson on behalf of the FEMM commission
Britta Thomsen**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30b. Calls on the Commission to establish a cross-cutting committee to monitor and advice on the representation of female researchers; calls for a Gender Action Plan as recommended by the FP6 Ex Post Evaluation;

Or. en

**Amendment 306
Britta Thomsen**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30b. Recommends that the level of funding for FP7 should at least be maintained in the coming Common Strategic Framework;

Or. en

Amendment 307

**Eva-Britt Svensson on behalf of the FEMM commission
Britta Thomsen**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30c. Calls on the Commission to establish clear links between the FP7 and the Gender Equality Institute in Vilnius in order to create a knowledge base for gender mainstreaming in all EU research programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 308

**Eva-Britt Svensson on behalf of the FEMM commission
Britta Thomsen**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 d (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30d. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to improve the situation for female researchers through possibilities for flexible working hours, improved child-care facilities, social security provisions and parental leave; stresses that reconciling work and family life is the responsibility of both men and women; notes that improvements in the national systems may have a direct impact on the female participation of the FP7 and future FPs;

Or. en