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Amendment 1
Edvard Kožušník, Malcolm Harbour

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to its resolution of 6 April 2011 on a Single Market for Enterprises and Growth³,

³ *Texts adopted, P7_TA(2011)0146*

Or. en

Amendment 2
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to its resolution of 10 May 2011 on discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2009, Section III¹,

¹ *Texts adopted, P7_TA(2011)0194*

Or. en

Amendment 3
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-A. whereas in the international arena countries in Asia have double digit growth rates and are accumulating huge reserves of capital and the USA is in the throws of a huge political discussion on how to raise the ceiling for the national debt which at this time stands at around \$13 trillion (€9.8 trillion) and is growing,

Or. en

**Amendment 4
Eider Gardiazábal Rubial**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital B**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas the trilogue which will be held in July should enable the two arms of the budgetary authority to discuss the priorities they have identified with regard to the annual budget 2012 and possibly find common ground ***for agreement ahead of*** their respective readings,

B. whereas the trilogue which will be held in July should enable ***the representatives of*** the two arms of the budgetary authority to discuss the priorities they have identified with regard to the annual budget 2012 and possibly find common ground ***that could be taken into account in*** their respective readings,

Or. es

**Amendment 5
James Elles**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas it is essential that the budget for 2012 takes into account economic and budgetary constraints at the national

level, where low growth, large deficits and high levels of debt are pressing concerns,

Or. en

Amendment 6

James Elles

Motion for a resolution

Recital D b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Db. whereas at the same time it is essential that the implementation of EU programmes and actions, including the financing of actions aiming at tackling the effects of the crisis and promoting growth, continue at EU level,

Or. en

Amendment 7

James Elles

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1. Notes with concern the current economic situation in Member States, many of which are saddled with unsustainable levels of debt and interest payments, notes also that some Western economies, owing to past fiscal indiscipline, have put themselves in a particularly perilous position; observes with alarm that countries such as China are now active in the Eurozone bond markets, as they have been with US debt for some time;

Or. en

Amendment 8
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1a. Stresses that with some European economies beginning to show signs of recovery from recession that efforts to reduce levels of accumulated debt would, in the long term, prove advantageous and should, where possible, begin without delay as a matter of urgency;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Miguel Portas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Recalls that in its resolution of 24 March 2011 the EP put the Europe 2020 strategy for a smart, sustainable and inclusive growth at the centre of the 2012 EU budgetary strategy in order to move the Union out of the current economic and social crisis;

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Or. en

Amendment 10
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 11
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 12
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

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implementation of this strategy will require a huge amount of *future-oriented investment* up to 2020, estimated at *no less than* EUR 1 800 billion by the Commission in its communication entitled ‘The EU Budget Review’³; *underlines, therefore, that necessary investment in education, fostering a knowledge society, research and development, innovation, SMEs and green and new technologies must be made now and delayed no longer;*

this strategy will require a huge amount of *spend* up to 2020, estimated at EUR 1 800 billion by the Commission in its communication entitled ‘The EU Budget Review’³; *notes the Commission’s desire that spend on education, research and development, innovation and new technologies be subject to minimal delay, but urges caution in the face of a rush to spend money where the market would find and fund opportunities regardless;*

Or. en

Amendment 13 Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Recalls that the promotion of *jobs and high-quality employment* by delivering on the Europe 2020 strategy’s seven flagship initiatives is a jointly endorsed goal of the 27 EU Member States; recalls that the implementation of this strategy will require a huge amount of future-oriented investment up to 2020, estimated at no less than EUR 1 800 billion by the Commission in its communication entitled ‘The EU Budget Review’³; *underlines, therefore, that necessary investment in education, fostering a knowledge society, research and development, innovation, SMEs and green and new technologies must be made now and delayed no longer;*

Amendment

2. Recalls that the promotion of *a smart, sustainable and inclusive economy* by delivering on the Europe 2020 strategy’s seven flagship initiatives is a jointly endorsed goal of the 27 EU Member States *and of the EU Institutions*; recalls that the implementation of this strategy will require a huge amount of future-oriented investment up to 2020, estimated at no less than EUR 1 800 billion by the Commission in its communication entitled ‘The EU Budget Review’³; *underlines, therefore, that the alignment of the EU Budget with the goals of the EU 2020 strategy is of outmost importance to sustain the necessary investment in order to promote employment, improve innovation, research and development, meet our climate change and energy objectives, improve education levels and promote social inclusion, in particular through the reduction of poverty, and that it must be made now and delayed no longer;*

Amendment 14**Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute, Vladimír Remek****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 2***Motion for a resolution*

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Amendment 15**Jutta Haug****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 2***Motion for a resolution*

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Or. en

Amendment 16
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Recalls that support for SMEs and youth employment are pivotal for the success of the EU 2020; recalls that SMEs create two out of three jobs in the EU, and that they are the back-bone of the European growth and job creation; recalls that today’s youth is the highest-educated, technically-advanced, and most mobile ever, and therefore is and will be the biggest asset for growth and jobs in the EU; underlines that SMEs and youth are key element of the success of the EU 2020 strategy, in its internal and external dimension, and are a priority for the EU budget;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Is deeply concerned, against this background, by the alarming drop in public investment in the Member States in some of these areas and firmly believes that this trend must be reversed if the EU as a whole is to deliver on the EU 2020 strategy; is of the opinion that the EU budget has an role to play as a leverage tool for Member States' recovery policies by triggering and supporting national investment to reinforce growth and employment; emphasises that this is fully in line with the dynamics of the European Semester, which, as a new mechanism for enhanced European economic governance, aims at increasing consistency, synergies and complementarities between the EU and the national budgets in delivering on the jointly agreed Europe 2020 goals;

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Or. en

Amendment 18
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 19
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. *Is deeply concerned*, against this background, *by the alarming drop* in public investment *in* the Member States in *some of these areas* and firmly believes that this trend must be reversed if the EU as a whole is to deliver on the EU 2020 strategy; is of the opinion that the EU budget has an role to play as a leverage tool for Member States' recovery policies by triggering and supporting national investment to reinforce growth and employment; emphasises that this is fully in line with the dynamics of the European Semester, which, as a new mechanism for enhanced European economic governance, aims at increasing consistency, synergies and complementarities between the EU and the national budgets in delivering on the jointly agreed Europe 2020 goals;

Amendment

3. *Acknowledges*, against this background, the *adjustments* in public investment *made by* the Member States in *their national budgets* and firmly believes that, *more than ever*, this trend must be reversed if the EU as a whole is to deliver on the EU 2020 strategy; is of the opinion that the EU budget has an role to play as a leverage tool for Member States' recovery policies by triggering and supporting national investment to reinforce growth and employment; emphasises that this is fully in line with the dynamics of the European Semester, which, as a new mechanism for enhanced European economic governance, aims at increasing consistency, synergies and complementarities between the EU and the national budgets in delivering on the jointly agreed Europe 2020 goals;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Jürgen Klute

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 21
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

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to play as a leverage tool for Member States' recovery policies by triggering and supporting national investment to reinforce growth and employment, ***particularly in the field of R&D***; emphasises that this is fully in line with the dynamics of the European Semester, which, as a new mechanism for enhanced European economic governance, aims at increasing consistency, synergies and complementarities between the EU and the national budgets in delivering on the jointly agreed Europe 2020 goals;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Recalls that EU 2020 strategy and the European Semester need a strong parliamentary dimension, and shows its firm conviction that stronger parliamentary involvement would significantly improve the democratic nature and transparency of such an exercise;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Edvard Kožušník, Malcolm Harbour

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Reiterates the importance of the

Single Market for the competitiveness of EU enterprises and for the growth and stability of European economies, and reminds the Commission and the Member States that sufficient resources need to be ensured to improve the implementation of the single market rules;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Acknowledges that if the EU budget is to contribute to the collective effort of Member States in times of austerity this effort should be commensurate with its size, specific features and real economic impact; reminds the Council that under EU Treaty provisions the EU budget cannot run a deficit and that cuts to it, given its limited size, will have no significant long-term impact in addressing the urgent issue of accumulated national public deficit, which amounted in 2009 to EUR 801 billion for the EU as a whole;

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Or. en

Amendment 25
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 26
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Acknowledges that if the EU budget is to contribute to the collective effort of Member States in times of austerity this effort should be commensurate with its size, specific features and real economic impact; *reminds the Council* that under EU Treaty provisions the EU budget cannot run a deficit and that *cuts to it, given its limited size, will have no significant long-term impact in addressing the urgent issue of accumulated national public deficit, which amounted in 2009 to EUR 801 billion for the EU as a whole;*

Amendment

5. Acknowledges that if the EU budget is to contribute to the collective effort of Member States in times of austerity this effort should be commensurate with its size, specific features and real economic impact; *believes that Europe should show budgetary responsibility and restraint in times of ongoing national budgetary consolidation efforts but recalls that* under Treaty provisions the EU budget cannot run a deficit and that the *EU budget represents 2% of total public spending* in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Monika Hohlmeier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

5. Acknowledges that if the EU budget is to contribute to the collective effort of Member States in times of austerity this effort should be commensurate with its size, specific features and real economic impact; ***is aware that the substantial consolidation efforts currently being made in many Member States should also be reflected in the EU budget;*** reminds the Council, ***however,*** that under EU Treaty provisions the EU budget cannot run a deficit;

Or. de

Amendment 28
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Or. it

Amendment 29
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Observes that the EU 27 annual inflation rate for 2011 is estimated at 2.7%, meaning that the proposed nominal 2012 increases of 3.7% in CA and 4.9% in PA are, compared to the Budget 2011, in real terms 1% and 2.2%; underlines the fact that several Member States are planning increases in their national budgets greater than the one proposed by the European Commission for the EU budget;

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Or. en

Amendment 30
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 31
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Highlights the fact that the proposed figures in the 2012 EU annual budget are consistent with the profile of EU expenditure set in the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2007-2013; emphasises that any increase (or decrease) compared to Budget 2011 must therefore be assessed bearing in mind its impact on the delivery of the multiannual programmes; stresses that this is a question of institutional credibility and coherence of the EU project when EU responsibilities and commitments keep on growing; deeply regrets from this point of view that the Commission did not propose endowing policies and new competencies established at EU level following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty with meaningful and visible financial capacity;

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Or. en

Amendment 32
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

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compared to Budget 2011 must therefore be assessed bearing in mind its impact on the delivery of the multiannual programmes; stresses that this is a question of institutional credibility and coherence of the EU project when EU responsibilities **have increased since the Lisbon Treaty came** into force;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 34
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 35
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

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emphasises that any increase (or decrease) compared to Budget 2011 must therefore be assessed bearing in mind its impact on the delivery of the multiannual programmes; stresses that this is a question of institutional credibility and coherence of the EU project when EU responsibilities and commitments keep on growing; **believes**, from this point of view, that endowing **targeted policy areas** and new competencies established at EU level following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty with meaningful and visible financial capacity **is a priority**;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

7. Highlights the fact that the proposed figures in the 2012 EU annual budget are consistent with the profile of EU expenditure set in the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2007-2013, **provided an agreement of the budgetary authority can be found to a revision of the MFF accommodating the additional financing needs of ITER**; emphasises that any increase (or decrease) compared to Budget 2011 must therefore be assessed bearing in mind its impact on the delivery of the multiannual programmes; stresses that this is a question of institutional credibility and coherence of the EU project when EU responsibilities and commitments keep on growing; **deeply regrets** from this point of view that the Commission did not propose endowing policies and new competencies established at EU level following the entry into force of the Lisbon

Treaty with meaningful and visible financial capacity;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council’s full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

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Or. en

Amendment 38
Jan Mulder

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is **determined to make full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council’s full**

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; **notes however that there is at present an amount of close to 200 billion of commitments still outstanding. Therefore the budget increase for commitments for 2012 should not increase in real terms. In case the**

cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

need arises in the course of the budget year supplementary budgets can be presented;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

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8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined ***that this margin should remain untouched***; expects Council's full cooperation ***in ensuring this***;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make ***full*** use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political

Amendment

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political

objectives; expects Council's full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

objectives; expects Council's full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms; ***is open to compensate for such increases by savings in other parts of the budget, e.g. unsustainable agricultural or structural fund expenditures or nuclear energy;***

Or. en

Amendment 41
Monika Hohlmeier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

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8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council's full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

Or. de

Amendment 42
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make

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full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council’s full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

prove necessary, to make full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council’s full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives; expects Council’s full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

Amendment

8. Observes that according to the DB 2012 there is an overall margin of EUR 1 603 million in CA under the 2012 ceiling agreed in the MFF; is determined to make full use of this available margin as well as – if necessary – of other flexibility mechanisms foreseen by the *current* IIA to support and strengthen certain targeted political objectives, *which have not been included in the current MFF*; expects Council’s full cooperation as regards the use of these mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 44
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

8a. Notes that in its resolution of 24 March 2011 the EP stressed that keeping commitment appropriations under control

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would require not only significant redeployments and reprioritisation, but also the joint identification of possible negative priorities and savings by the institutions; urges its specialised committees to begin the process of determining clear political and budgetary priorities in their policy fields; maintains the view however that the Europe 2020 strategy can be credible only if adequately funded, and recalls that the EP has on numerous occasions raised this serious political concern; reiterates its strong request for the Commission to clarify in detail the budgetary dimension of the flagship initiatives, and to inform Parliament of the budgetary means needed for the implementation of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 45

James Elles

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that a first round of discussions on budgetary priorities has already taken place in Parliament in the form of the extensive consultation of its specialised committees by its general rapporteur for the Budget 2012; emphasises that the process must now be fine-tuned in each committee for its respective field of competence so as to identify the positive and negative priorities for the Budget 2012;

Amendment

9. Recalls that a first round of discussions on budgetary priorities has already taken place in Parliament in the form of the extensive consultation of its specialised committees by its general rapporteur for the Budget 2012; emphasises that the process must now be fine-tuned in each committee for its respective field of competence so as to identify the positive and negative priorities for the Budget 2012; ***urges the Rapporteur to produce working documents clarifying this process for the Committee on Budgets;***

Or. en

Amendment 46
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that a first round of discussions on budgetary priorities has already **taken place** in Parliament in the form of the extensive consultation of its specialised committees by its general rapporteur for the Budget 2012; emphasises that the process must now be fine-tuned in each committee for its respective field of competence so as to identify the positive and negative priorities for the Budget 2012;

Amendment

9. Recalls that a first round of discussions on budgetary priorities has already **started** in Parliament in the form of the extensive consultation of its specialised committees by its general rapporteur for the Budget 2012; emphasises that the process must now be fine-tuned in each committee for its respective field of competence so as to identify the positive and negative priorities for the Budget 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Notes the Commission's estimate that all in all 43.5% of the DB 2012 (in CA) contributes to the objectives of the EU 2020 strategy; acknowledges that the priorities set by the Commission **therefore** seem consistent with those defined by Parliament in its resolution on general guidelines for the 2012 Budget; is, however, determined to further analyse these figures in full association with all its specialised committees;

Amendment

10. Notes the Commission's estimate that all in all 43.5% of the DB 2012 (in CA) contributes to the objectives of the EU 2020 strategy; **finds this estimate positive but not sufficient**; acknowledges that the priorities set by the Commission seem consistent with those defined by Parliament in its resolution on general guidelines for the 2012 Budget, **but calls for a more ambitious approach to the funding of the Europe 2020 strategy**; is, however, determined to further analyse these figures in full association with all its specialised committees;

Amendment 48
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Takes the view that, *besides the delivery of the EU 2020 strategy*, appropriations in the EU 2012 Budget should be kept at *an appropriate* level to ensure the continuation of EU policies and the achievement of EU objectives; *underlines in particular the need to allow the EU to shoulder its global responsibility, especially in the wake of the Arab Spring and the unrest in the Middle East*;

Amendment

11. Takes the view that appropriations in the EU 2012 Budget should be kept at *a wise* level to ensure the continuation of *by the Member States agreed* EU policies and the achievement of EU objectives;

Amendment 49
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Takes the view that, besides the delivery of the EU 2020 strategy, appropriations in the EU 2012 Budget should be *kept* at an appropriate level to ensure the continuation of EU policies and the achievement of EU objectives; *underlines in particular the need to allow the EU to shoulder its global responsibility, especially in the wake of the Arab Spring and the unrest in the Middle East*;

Amendment

11. Takes the view that, besides the delivery of the EU 2020 strategy, appropriations in the EU 2012 Budget should be *set* at an appropriate level to ensure the continuation of EU policies and the achievement of EU objectives; *underlines in particular the need to allow the EU to shoulder its global responsibility, especially in the wake of the Arab Spring and the unrest in the Middle East*;

Amendment 50
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. *Observes* that the Commission *has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming, particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past; asks the Commission to provide additional information supporting its assessments; notes also that, contrary to previous years, the Commission has frequently departed from its indicative financial programming presented in January 2011; is determined to further check and analyse these proposals before endorsing them;*

Amendment

12. *Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; is convinced that the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; is convinced that the proposed level of payments represents the bare minimum required to honour EU legal commitments made in previous years and that it is the EU's duty to comply with the legal obligations deriving from these commitments and ensure that programmes unfold their full potential and run at full speed; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to refrain from cutting the proposed level of payments; expresses its intention to keep the level of payments at the level proposed by the Commission in the Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;*

Or. en

Amendment 51
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. **Observes** that the Commission has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming, particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past; **asks the Commission to provide additional information supporting its assessments; notes also that, contrary to previous years, the Commission has frequently departed from its indicative financial programming presented in January 2011; is determined to further check and analyse these proposals before endorsing them;**

Amendment

12. **Firmly approves** that the Commission has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming, particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past;

Or. en

Amendment 52
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. **Observes** that the Commission has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming, particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past; asks the Commission to provide additional information supporting its assessments; notes also that, contrary to previous years, the Commission has frequently departed from its indicative financial programming presented in January 2011; is determined to further check and analyse these proposals before endorsing them;

Amendment

12. **Takes the view, however, that the difficult economic situation across the Union makes it more important than ever to ensure proper implementation of the EU budget, quality of spending and optimal use of existing Community financing; notes that a thorough review of those lines which have a history of low outturn or where problems have arisen in implementation was requested by the EP in its resolution of 24 March 2011; welcomes that the Commission has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming,**

particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past; asks the Commission to provide additional information supporting its assessments; notes also that, contrary to previous years, the Commission has frequently departed from its indicative financial programming presented in January 2011; is determined to further check and analyse these proposals before endorsing them;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Observes that the Commission has made a first endeavour to identify negative priorities and savings in some policy areas as compared with what was initially foreseen in the financial programming, particularly in those characterised by poor performance and low implementation rates in the recent past; asks the Commission to provide additional information supporting its assessments; notes also that, contrary to previous years, the Commission has frequently departed from its indicative financial programming presented in January 2011; is determined to further check and analyse these proposals before endorsing them;

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Or. en

Amendment 54
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Recalls in this regard its resolution on the discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2009, Section III calling for the Commission to undertake urgently during 2011 a comprehensive spending review of all areas of activity to ensure all expenditure is delivering value for money in order to identify possible savings which would reduce the pressure on the budget in this period of austerity;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Göran Färm

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Strongly warns against any attempt by the Council, to make horizontal cuts in the budget, deciding on the overall level of appropriations a priori, without duly taking into account an accurate assessment of the actual needs for the achievement of the Union's agreed objectives and political commitments; requests, if cuts are made, for the Council to instead publicly explain and clearly identify which of the EU's political priorities or projects could be delayed or dropped altogether;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Calls on the Commission to reduce the 2012 budget in commitment and payment appropriations in an amount equivalent to the irregularities reported by the European Court of Auditors and which amounts to a minimum of 3.2 billion euros;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; is convinced that the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; is convinced that the proposed level of payments represents the bare minimum required to honour EU legal commitments made in previous years and that it is the EU's duty to comply with the legal obligations deriving from these commitments; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to refrain from cutting the

13. Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011;

proposed level of payments;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. **Notes** the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; **is convinced that** the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; **is convinced that the proposed level of payments represents the bare minimum required to honour EU legal commitments made in previous years and that it is the EU's duty to comply with the legal obligations deriving from these commitments**; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to **refrain from** cutting the proposed level of payments;

Amendment

13. **Is deeply concerned by** the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; **doubts whether** the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to **continue** cutting the proposed level of payments;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

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the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; is convinced that the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; *is convinced that the proposed level of payments represents the bare minimum required to honour EU legal commitments made in previous years and that it is the EU's duty to comply with the legal obligations deriving from these commitments; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to refrain from cutting the*

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proposed level of payments;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; is convinced that the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds; *is convinced that the proposed level of payments represents the bare minimum required to honour EU legal commitments made in previous years and that it is the EU's duty to comply with the legal obligations deriving from these commitments; strongly urges the Council, therefore, to refrain from cutting the proposed level of payments;*

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13. Notes the proposed increase in PA of 4.9% compared to 2011; is convinced that the Commission is proposing such figures on the basis of a careful and critical analysis of forecasts provided by Member States, which themselves co-manage 80% of the EU budget; notes that the bulk of this increase is linked to legal needs arising in relation to the 7th Research Programme and the Structural and Cohesion Funds;

Or. it

Amendment 62
Carl Haglund, Guy Verhofstadt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Observes, moreover, that the overall margin in PA under the ceiling of the MFF

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remains high at EUR 8 815 million; *highlights the fact that any decrease below the figure proposed* by the *Commission would in turn worsen the situation in relation to the urgent need to reduce the unprecedented level of outstanding commitments (RALs) and to ensure the correct implementation of EU policies and programmes;*

amounts at EUR 8 815 million; *Reminds the non-respect by Council of the inter-institutional declaration on payments agreed in December 2010 related to the implementation of Budget 2011; In this context recalls that the draft amending budget 03/2011 shows a budgetary surplus of 4.9 bn Euro in payments in 2010; Deplores the Commission's proposal to lower the Member States' contributions by this amount; is of the opinion that such an approach is not good budgeting and will have no impact on the overall deficit level of Member States, while this amount can make a clear difference to the EU's annual budget; therefore is not ready to give its agreement to the draft amending budget 03/2011;*

Or. en

Amendment 63
James Elles

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Believes that all demands for increased expenditure in key priority areas can be met by savings from existing programmes and that greater scrutiny should therefore be made of outdated or ineffectual programmes to allow funds to be reallocated as stated in its resolution on the discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2009, Section III;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. **Welcomes** the Commission's proposal in the DB 2012 to increase CA by 12.6% (to EUR 15 223 million) and PA by 8.1% (to EUR 12 566 million) as compared to Budget 2011, **since Heading 1a is the key heading of the MFF 2007-2013 in terms of reaching the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy, thanks to its direct or indirect contribution to the financing of all its five headline targets and the seven flagship initiatives;**

Amendment

15. **Deeply deplores** the Commission's proposal in the DB 2012 to increase CA by 12.6% (to EUR 15 223 million) and PA by 8.1% (to EUR 12 566 million) as compared to Budget 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

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15. **Welcomes** the Commission's proposal in the DB 2012 to increase CA by 12.6% (to EUR 15 223 million) and PA by 8.1% (to EUR 12 566 million) as compared to Budget 2011, since Heading 1a is the key heading of the MFF 2007-2013 in terms of reaching the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy, thanks to its direct or indirect contribution to the financing of all its five headline targets and the seven flagship initiatives;

Amendment

15. **Takes note of** the Commission's proposal in the DB 2012 to increase CA by 12.6% (to EUR 15 223 million) and PA by 8.1% (to EUR 12 566 million) as compared to Budget 2011, since Heading 1a is the key heading of the MFF 2007-2013 in terms of reaching the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy, thanks to its direct or indirect contribution to the financing of all its five headline targets and the seven flagship initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Regrets, however, that most of the increases foreseen under this heading for 2012 do not go beyond the mere yearly breakdown of multiannual global amounts agreed to by both Parliament and Council when these programmes and actions were adopted; underlines therefore that the Commission does not generally propose to boost – beyond what was originally planned – the support for investments urgently needed to implement the seven flagship initiatives, and notes that it is regrettably inclined to postpone the necessary big leap in terms of common financial effort to the post-2013 MFF; is convinced that this attitude will seriously endanger the achievement of the headline goals by 2020;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 67
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Regrets, however, that most of the increases foreseen under this heading for 2012 do not go beyond the mere yearly breakdown of multiannual global amounts agreed to by both Parliament and Council when these programmes and actions were adopted; underlines therefore that the Commission does not generally propose to boost – beyond what was originally

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planned – the support for investments urgently needed to implement the seven flagship initiatives, and notes that it is regrettably inclined to postpone the necessary big leap in terms of common financial effort to the post-2013 MFF; is convinced that this attitude will seriously endanger the achievement of the headline goals by 2020;

planned – the support for investments urgently needed to implement the seven flagship initiatives, and notes that it is regrettably inclined to postpone the necessary big leap in terms of common financial effort to the post-2013 MFF; is convinced that this attitude will seriously endanger the achievement of the headline goals by 2020; ***stresses the importance of keeping PROGRESS programme funding at the same level as in 2011 in order to be able to guarantee implementation of the gender budgeting strategy;***

Or. it

Amendment 68
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. **Regrets**, however, that most of the increases foreseen under this heading for 2012 do not go beyond the mere yearly breakdown of multiannual global amounts agreed to by both Parliament and Council when these programmes and actions were adopted; underlines therefore that the Commission does not generally propose to boost – beyond what was originally planned – the support for investments urgently needed to implement the seven flagship initiatives, and notes that it is regrettably inclined to postpone the necessary big leap in terms of common financial effort to the post-2013 MFF; is convinced that this attitude will seriously endanger the achievement of the headline goals by 2020;

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Or. en

Amendment 69
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. **Underlines** that, with the DB 2012 and the updated financial programming for 2013, the total amount of funds committed by 2013 for key programmes for the achievement of the EU 2020 strategy, such as the 7th EC Framework Research Program (EC FP7), anti-pollution measures, Marco Polo II, PROGRESS, Galileo and GMES, would be less than the reference amount agreed by Parliament and Council when these programmes were adopted; notes that, on the contrary, these reference amounts would be slightly exceeded in the case of the following key Europe 2020 programmes: the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework programme (CIP), Trans-European Transport Network, Trans-European Energy network, Erasmus Mundus and Lifelong Learning; **regrets, however**, that these proposed increases are well below the 5% legislative flexibility allowed under Point 37 of the IIA;

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Or. en

Amendment 70
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

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achievement of the EU 2020 strategy, such as the 7th EC Framework Research Program (EC FP7), anti-pollution measures, Marco Polo II, PROGRESS, Galileo and GMES, would be less than the reference amount agreed by Parliament and Council when these programmes were adopted; notes that, on the contrary, these reference amounts would be slightly exceeded in the case of the following key Europe 2020 programmes: the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework programme (CIP), Trans-European Transport Network, Trans-European Energy network, Erasmus Mundus and Lifelong Learning; ***asks for assessment of the programmes;***

Or. en

Amendment 71
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Underlines that, with the DB 2012 and the updated financial programming for 2013, the total amount of funds committed by 2013 for key programmes for the achievement of the EU 2020 strategy, such as the 7th EC Framework Research Program (EC FP7), anti-pollution measures, Marco Polo II, PROGRESS, Galileo and GMES, would be less than the reference amount agreed by Parliament and Council when these programmes were adopted; notes that, on the contrary, these reference amounts would be slightly exceeded in the case of the following key Europe 2020 programmes: the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework

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programme (CIP), Trans-European Transport Network, Trans-European Energy network, Erasmus Mundus and Lifelong Learning; *regrets, however, that these proposed increases are well below the 5% legislative flexibility allowed under Point 37 of the IIA;*

programme (CIP), Trans-European Transport Network, Trans-European Energy network, Erasmus Mundus and Lifelong Learning; *intends to take full advantage, where appropriate, of the 5% legislative flexibility allowed under Point 37 of the IIA, in order to further boost key and pressing investments;*

Or. en

Amendment 72

Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Underlines that, with the DB 2012 and the updated financial programming for 2013, the total amount of funds committed by 2013 for key programmes for the achievement of the EU 2020 strategy, such as the 7th EC Framework Research Program (EC FP7), anti-pollution measures, Marco Polo II, PROGRESS, Galileo and GMES, would be less than the reference amount agreed by Parliament and Council when these programmes were adopted; notes that, on the contrary, these reference amounts would be slightly exceeded in the case of the following key Europe 2020 programmes: the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework programme (CIP), Trans-European Transport Network, Trans-European Energy network, Erasmus Mundus and Lifelong Learning; *regrets, however, that these proposed increases are well below the 5% legislative flexibility allowed under Point 37 of the IIA;*

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 73
Edvard Kožušník, Malcolm Harbour

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 74
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes, moreover, that an **important** part of the nominal increase in Heading 1a in the DB 2012 **compared to Budget 2011** is linked to the additional funds of EUR 750 million (in CA) required by ITER in 2012, of which EUR 650 million are truly additional and EUR 100 million redeployed from all budget lines of EC FP7; **strongly reaffirms its opposition to any form of redeployment from EC FP7 since this would significantly reduce its contributions to the achievement of the headline goals and the implementation of the flagship initiatives of the Europe 2020 strategy;**

Amendment

18. Notes, moreover, that part of the nominal increase in Heading 1a in the DB 2012 is linked to the additional funds of EUR 750 million (in CA) required by ITER in 2012, of which EUR 650 million are truly additional and EUR 100 million redeployed from all budget lines of EC FP7;

Or. it

Amendment 75
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

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Amendment 76
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Deeply regrets the dramatic increase in budgetary appropriations for nuclear research, whereas this energy form is increasingly questioned in Member States; points out that the Commission proposal will result in an even more serious imbalance between spending on nuclear research compared to renewable energy research; is therefore determined to abolish the foreseen increases for ITER;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Recalls that, in order to finance ITER, it will be necessary for the budget authority to agree on the parallel Commission's proposal⁴ amending the MFF 2007-13, which suggests financing the missing EUR 1 300 million for ITER in 2012 and 2013 by using available and unused 2011 margins under Heading 2 and 5 of the MFF 2007-13 for a total amount of EUR 840 million and redeploying in 2012 and 2013 EUR 460 million from EC FP7; expresses its willingness to enter into negotiation with

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Council to amend the Commission's proposal by having recourse to the different means provided for in the current 17 May 2006 IIA;

⁴ *COM (2011)0226.*

Or. en

Amendment 78
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Notes with concern, in addition to the proposed EUR 100 million redeployment for ITER, the extra cuts of EUR 64 million made to EC FP7 as compared to the financial programming; regrets that the Commission is not proposing to use all the savings (amounting in total to EUR 190 million) to be made in 2012 thanks to re-assessment of staffing needs and the reduced financial contributions to some Joint Undertakings for the benefit of operational expenditure under the EC FP7;

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Or. en

Amendment 79
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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for ITER, the extra cuts of EUR 64 million made to EC FP7 as compared to the financial programming; *demands* that the Commission *proposes* to use all the savings (amounting in total to EUR 190 million) to be made in 2012 thanks to re-assessment of staffing needs and the reduced financial contributions to some Joint Undertakings for the benefit of operational expenditure under the EC FP7;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Points out in this regard to the need to improve the funding conditions for the sustainable energy priorities, energy storage technologies and other priorities under the Strategic Energy Technology Plan (SET Plan), including energy efficiency, which are vital for meeting the economic, energy and climate challenges; believes that clear goals for sustainable energy policy and energy efficiency can deliver cost-efficient solutions from which the European economy as a whole could benefit; notes also that additional innovative ways of leveraging investments and fostering research and innovation, such as the Risk Sharing Finance Facility (RSFF), could be explored in the frame of the 2012 budgetary procedure;

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Or. en

Amendment 81

Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

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Or. en

Amendment 82

Olle Ludvigsson, Astrid Lulling, Sven Giegold, Jürgen Klute, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Stresses that the European Supervisory Authorities have a crucial role to play in safeguarding market stability and that they need to be adequately funded in order for regulatory reforms to be effective; reiterates that one single supervisory authority would be more cost-efficient; welcomes the budget

increases proposed for all three authorities as important steps in their build-up procedures, while calling for additional resources for the joint committee; emphasises that any additional tasks entrusted to these authorities must be swiftly accompanied by the corresponding allocation of supplementary resources; underlines, inter alia, that the new responsibilities planned for the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) in the areas of short-selling and derivatives must be promptly reflected in the 2012 budget procedure as soon as the legal bases are in place;

Or. en

Amendment 83
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Regrets that with the limited increase foreseen for the PROGRESS programme in the DB 2012 as compared to Budget 2011, the Commission will not be able to reinstate the amount of EUR 20 million for the period 2011-2013 to which it had committed itself in 2010 in order to compensate partially for the redeployment of PROGRESS in favour of the Microfinance Facility; recalls that the PROGRESS programme is an essential pillar of the Europe 2020 strategy, owing in particular to its contribution to the two flagship initiatives ‘European Platform against Poverty’ and ‘Youth on the Move’;

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Or. en

Amendment 84
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Regrets that with the limited increase foreseen for the PROGRESS programme in the DB 2012 as compared to Budget 2011, the Commission will not be able to reinstate the amount of EUR 20 million for the period 2011-2013 to which it had committed itself in 2010 in order to compensate partially for the redeployment of PROGRESS in favour of the Microfinance Facility; recalls that the PROGRESS programme *is an essential pillar of the Europe 2020 strategy, owing in particular to its contribution to the two* flagship initiatives ‘European Platform against Poverty’ and ‘Youth on the Move’;

Amendment

22. Regrets that with the limited increase foreseen for the PROGRESS programme in the DB 2012 as compared to Budget 2011, the Commission will not be able to reinstate the amount of EUR 20 million for the period 2011-2013 to which it had committed itself in 2010 in order to compensate partially for the redeployment of PROGRESS in favour of the Microfinance Facility; recalls that the *contribution of the* PROGRESS programme *to the two* EU 2020 strategy flagship initiatives ‘European Platform against Poverty’ and ‘Youth on the Move’;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Jürgen Klute

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 86
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Regrets that with the limited increase foreseen for the PROGRESS programme in the DB 2012 as compared to Budget 2011, the Commission will not be able to reinstate the amount of EUR 20 million for the period 2011-2013 to which it had committed itself in 2010 in order to compensate partially for the redeployment of PROGRESS in favour of the Microfinance Facility; recalls that the PROGRESS programme is an essential pillar of the Europe 2020 strategy, owing in particular to its contribution to the two flagship initiatives ‘European Platform against Poverty’ and ‘Youth on the Move’;

Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 87

Olle Ludvigsson, Astrid Lulling, Sven Giegold, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the increase (+ EUR 5.7 million) in the overall level of commitment appropriations for the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework programme compared to what was initially foreseen; hopes that this increase will contribute to improving the access of SMEs to this programme and to developing specific programmes and innovative financial mechanisms;

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Or. en

Amendment 88

Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 89

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 90

Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 91

Dominique Riquet, Bogusław Liberadzki, Gesine Meissner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 92

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Takes the view that, given its high European added value, support for the Lifelong Learning programme should be continued and increased in 2012, because of its strong contribution to the flagship initiative ‘Youth on the Move’; stresses in particular that, given the growing number of people in adult education in Europe, Grundtvig, which currently represents only 4% of the allocations in the Lifelong Learning Programme, should be reinforced;

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Or. en

**Amendment 93
Claudio Morganti**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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25. Takes the view that, given its high European added value, support for the Lifelong Learning programme should be continued and increased in 2012, because of its strong contribution to the flagship initiative ‘Youth on the Move’;

Or. it

**Amendment 94
Sidonia Elżbieta Jędrzejewska, Damien Abad, Carl Haglund, Franziska Katharina Brantner, Eider Gardiazábal Rubial**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

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Amendment

25. Takes the view that, given its high European added value, support for the Lifelong Learning programme should be continued and increased in 2012, because of its strong contribution to the flagship **initiatives** ‘Youth on the Move’ **and** ‘**Innovation Union**’; stresses in particular that, given the growing number of people in adult education in Europe, Grundtvig, which currently represents only 4% of the allocations in the Lifelong Learning Programme, should be reinforced;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

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25. Takes the view that, given its high European added value, support for the Lifelong Learning programme should be continued and **may be** increased in 2012, because of its strong contribution to the flagship initiative ‘Youth on the Move’; stresses in particular that, given the growing number of people in adult education in Europe, Grundtvig, which currently represents only 4% of the allocations in the Lifelong Learning Programme, should be reinforced;

Or. en

Amendment 96

Olle Ludvigsson, Astrid Lulling, Sven Giegold, Jürgen Klute, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Is concerned about the proposed reduction in appropriations for the Union Statistical Programme and the very limited – below the rate of inflation – increase in staff expenditure in the ‘Statistics’ policy area; emphasises that there is a strong need to continuously make sure that the resources of Eurostat match the expanding workload and the enhanced quality demands in the key area of economic and financial statistics;

Or. en

Amendment 97

Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Recalls that the bulk of the new EU competences introduced by the Treaty of Lisbon, in the areas of energy, tourism and space, falls within the remit of Heading 1a; expresses its disappointment that no extra funding for these new policies is proposed by the Commission in the third year after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty; underlines that neither Galileo nor GMES – the two main EU space programmes – is to benefit from extra funding by the end of the current MFF and that the Galileo funding is decreasing between 2011 and 2012; reiterates the need to introduce some specific, visible measures in support of

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tourism, given the economic relevance of this sector, which represents the third industry in Europe in terms of size and revenue, and regrets that the Commission is not proposing a new legal basis to replace the three preparatory actions in this field which cannot be extended in 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Recalls that the bulk of the new EU competences introduced by the Treaty of Lisbon, in the areas of energy, tourism and space, falls within the remit of Heading 1a; expresses its disappointment that no extra funding for these new policies is proposed by the Commission in the third year after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty; underlines that neither Galileo nor GMES – the two main EU space programmes – is to benefit from extra funding by the end of the current MFF and that the Galileo funding is decreasing between 2011 and 2012; reiterates the need to introduce some specific, visible measures in support of tourism, given the economic relevance of this sector, which represents the third industry in Europe in terms of size and revenue, and regrets that the Commission is not proposing a new legal basis to replace the three preparatory actions in this field which cannot be extended in 2012;

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Or. en

Amendment 99
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Recalls** that *the bulk of the new EU competences introduced by the Treaty of Lisbon, in the areas of energy, tourism and space, falls within the remit of Heading 1a; expresses its disappointment that no extra funding for these new policies is proposed by the Commission in the third year after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty; underlines that* neither Galileo nor GMES – the two main EU space programmes – is to benefit from extra funding by the end of the current MFF and that the Galileo funding is decreasing between 2011 and 2012; *reiterates the need to introduce some specific, visible measures in support of tourism, given the economic relevance of this sector, which represents the third industry in Europe in terms of size and revenue, and regrets that the Commission is not proposing a new legal basis to replace the three preparatory actions in this field which cannot be extended in 2012;*

Amendment

26. **Notes** that neither Galileo nor GMES – the two main EU space programmes – is to benefit from extra funding by the end of the current MFF and that the Galileo funding is decreasing between 2011 and 2012; *considers that Galileo is redundant because it is duplicating at great expense, beyond what was originally estimated, services that already exist and therefore should be cancelled;*

Or. en

Amendment 100
Dominique Riquet, Bogusław Liberadzki, Gesine Meissner, Roberts Zile

Motion for a resolution
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Or. en

Amendment 101

Olle Ludvigsson, Astrid Lulling, Sven Giegold, Jürgen Klute, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Notes that the crisis has clearly highlighted the importance for the strength of government finances of having effective and fraud-proof tax collection systems; stresses that the fight against tax fraud and evasion must be highly prioritised and that the appropriations for Fiscalis must enable the programme to respond to this

ambition;

Or. en

Amendment 102

Dominique Riquet, Bogusław Liberadzki, Gesine Meissner, Roberts Zile

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Underlines the absence of a specific budget allocation to the Programme to support the further development of an Integrated Maritime Policy (IMP), which should be operational by the end of this year and will need operational credits for 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 103

Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Welcomes the Commission's decision to include in the DB for the second consecutive year payment appropriations (EUR 50 million) for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF); underlines the fact that this not only gives higher visibility to the fund but also avoids transfers from other budget lines pursuing different aims and covering different needs; eagerly awaits the presentation of the mid-term review of the EGF Regulation by the Commission as a means of identifying ways to speed up the procedure for mobilising the fund and of

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simplifying its management rules;

Or. en

Amendment 104

Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 105

Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

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higher visibility to the fund but also avoids transfers from other budget lines pursuing different aims and covering different needs; eagerly awaits the presentation of the mid-term review of the EGF
Regulation by the Commission as a means of identifying ways to speed up the procedure for mobilising the fund and of simplifying its management rules;
maintains, nonetheless, that in view of the steady increase in the number of applications for support received from the Member States the only way of substantially reducing the time taken to release employment funding is to include the EFG in the EU budget;

Or. it

Amendment 106
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. ***Stresses*** the decisive contribution of cohesion policy to growth and employment, as well as to social and territorial cohesion between EU regions and Member States; ***stresses*** that cohesion policy plays an instrumental role in enabling all EU regions to participate in the achievement of Europe 2020 objectives and in supporting regional investments aimed at implementing all flagship initiatives; ***takes the view accordingly that, while its redistributive nature and its aim to reduce regional disparities should be preserved, cohesion policy must remain EU-wide and visible to EU regions and citizens;***

Amendment

28. ***Doubts*** the decisive contribution of cohesion policy to growth and employment, as well as to social and territorial cohesion between EU regions and Member States; ***doubts*** that cohesion policy plays an instrumental role in enabling all EU regions to participate in the achievement of Europe 2020 objectives and in supporting regional investments aimed at implementing all flagship initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 107
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Stresses the decisive contribution of cohesion policy to growth and employment, as well as to social and territorial cohesion between EU regions and Member States; stresses that cohesion policy plays an instrumental role in enabling all EU regions to participate in the achievement of Europe 2020 objectives and in supporting regional investments aimed at implementing all flagship initiatives; takes the view accordingly that, while its redistributive nature and its aim to reduce regional disparities should be preserved, cohesion policy must remain EU-wide and **visible** to EU regions and citizens;

Amendment

28. Stresses the decisive contribution of cohesion policy to growth and employment, as well as to **economic**, social and territorial cohesion between EU regions and Member States; stresses that cohesion policy plays an instrumental role in enabling all EU regions to participate in the achievement of Europe 2020 objectives and in supporting regional investments aimed at implementing all flagship initiatives; takes the view accordingly that, while its redistributive nature and its aim to reduce regional disparities should be preserved, cohesion policy must remain EU-wide **investment policy** and **accessible** to **all** EU regions and citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 108
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Welcomes the 8.4% increase in PA to EUR 45 134 million proposed for 2012 as compared to 2011, and believes that this increase will allow for programme implementation to catch up quickly following the very slow start-up of programmes at the beginning of the 2007-13 period; emphasises that this increase should also make it possible to address

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additional payment needs stemming from the recent legislative changes, the approval of all management and control systems and the closure of the 2000-2006 programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. **Welcomes** the 8.4% increase in PA to EUR 45 134 million proposed for 2012 as compared to 2011, **and believes that this increase will allow for programme implementation to catch up quickly following the very slow start-up of programmes at the beginning of the 2007-13 period**; emphasises that this increase should also make it possible to address additional payment needs stemming from the recent legislative changes, the approval of all management and control systems and the closure of the 2000-2006 programmes;

Amendment

30. **Notes** the 8.4% increase in PA to EUR 45 134 million proposed for 2012 as compared to 2011; emphasises that this increase should also make it possible to address additional payment needs stemming from the recent legislative changes, the approval of all management and control systems and the closure of the 2000-2006 programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. **Welcomes** the 8.4% increase in PA to EUR 45 134 million proposed for 2012 as compared to 2011, **and believes that this increase will allow for programme**

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30. **Takes note of** the 8.4% increase in PA to EUR 45 134 million proposed for 2012 as compared to 2011; **reminds** the very slow start-up of programmes at the

implementation to catch up quickly following the very slow start-up of programmes at the beginning of the 2007-13 period; emphasises that *this* increase should also make it possible to address additional payment needs stemming from the recent legislative changes, the approval of all management and control systems and the closure of the 2000-2006 programmes;

beginning of the 2007-13 period; emphasises that *any* increase should also make it possible to address additional payment needs stemming from the recent legislative changes, the approval of all management and control systems and the closure of the 2000-2006 programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments is a bare minimum and complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;

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Or. en

Amendment 112

Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. **Stresses therefore** that this level of payments is ***a bare minimum and complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast*** in respect of ***payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments***; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need***;

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31. **Believes** that this level of payments is ***probably necessary in order to*** respect ***previous commitments, despite a high rate of misallocations***; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions;

Or. en

Amendment 113

Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments ***is a bare minimum and complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States'***

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31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in

available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;***

respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Stresses therefore that ***this*** level of payments ***is a bare minimum and complies*** fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to***

Amendment

31. Stresses therefore that ***the*** level of payments ***has to comply*** fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***reminds*** Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;

providing fresh appropriations in case of need;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments is a bare minimum and complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, *particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;*

Amendment

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments is a bare minimum and complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; will therefore strictly oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments ***is a bare minimum and*** complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***will*** therefore ***strictly*** oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;

Amendment

31. Stresses therefore that this level of payments complies fully with realistic budgeting, taking due account of the general payment profile over the period, the Member States' available forecast in respect of payment claims to be sent to the Commission, and the need to fill the gap between commitments and payments; underlines the fact that these cash flows will also help accelerate the recovery of the European economy and contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy in the regions; ***may*** therefore oppose any possible decrease in the level of payments compared to the one proposed by the Commission in its Draft Budget, particularly in view of Council's early 2011 reluctance to honour its formal commitment of December 2010 to providing fresh appropriations in case of need;

Or. it

Amendment 117

Sidonia Elżbieta Jędrzejewska, Damien Abad, Carl Haglund, Franziska Katharina Brantner, Eider Gardiazábal Rubial

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Asks the Commission to collect demographic data of the beneficiaries of the cohesion policy, the European Social Fund notably, in order to monitor the real impact of the funds provided for human capital development and job market insertion, keeping in mind the particularly worrying problem of youth unemployment;

Amendment 118
Riikka Manner, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

32. Asks the Commission to keep on working closely with those Member States with a low absorption rate in order to further improve absorption on the ground; calls, therefore, for the further promotion of mutual learning, exchange of best practices and reinforcement of administrative capacities in certain Member States;

Amendment

32. Asks the Commission to keep on working closely with those Member States with a low absorption rate in order to further improve absorption on the ground; calls, therefore, for the further promotion of mutual learning, exchange of best practices and reinforcement of administrative capacities in certain Member States ***as well as in candidate countries through paying attention to the proper functioning of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance supporting the countries preparations for the implementation of Community programmes;***

Amendment 119
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute, Vladimír Remek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

32. Asks the Commission to keep on working closely with those Member States with a low absorption rate in order to further improve absorption on the ground; calls, therefore, for the further promotion of mutual learning, exchange of best practices and ***reinforcement*** of administrative capacities in ***certain***

Amendment

32. Asks the Commission to keep on working closely with those Member States with a low absorption rate in order to further improve absorption on the ground; calls, therefore, for the further promotion of mutual learning, exchange of best practices and ***improvement*** of administrative capacities in Member

Member States;

States;

Or. en

Amendment 120

Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32a. Is determined to deeply assess the proposed appropriations for this subheading with regard to the past implementation and absorption rate;

Or. en

Amendment 121

Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32a. Calls on the Commission to acknowledge the crucial role the local and regional level plays in combating climate change and to respond to this challenge by revising the list of categories of expenditure (Lisbon earmarking) in Annex IV according to Article 9(3) of Council regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 laying down general provision on structural funds and by introducing categories targeted to tackle the impacts of climate change in time for being taken into account for the implementation of the 2012 budget;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Urges the Commission also to continue its reflection on how to reshuffle the complex system of rules and requirements imposed by the EU and/or national legislation, in order to focus more on achieving objectives and less on legality and regularity, without departing from the key principles of transparency, accountability and sound financial management;

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Or. it

Amendment 123
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Urges the Commission **also to continue** its **reflection** on how to **reshuffle** the complex system of rules and requirements imposed by the EU and/or national legislation, in order to focus more on achieving objectives and less on legality and regularity, without departing from the key principles of transparency, accountability and sound financial management;

Amendment

33. Urges the Commission, **in view of** its **legislative proposals for the new programming period, to place particular emphasis** on how to **simplify** the complex system of rules and requirements imposed by the EU and/or national legislation, in order to focus more on achieving objectives and less on legality and regularity, without departing from the key principles of transparency, accountability and sound financial management;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Monika Hohlmeier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Urges the Commission also to continue its reflection on how to reshuffle the complex system of rules and requirements imposed by the EU and/or national legislation, in order to focus *more* on achieving objectives *and less on* legality and regularity, without departing from the key principles of transparency, accountability and sound financial management;

Amendment

33. Urges the Commission also to continue its reflection on how to reshuffle the complex system of rules and requirements imposed by the EU and/or national legislation *and reduce the bureaucratic burden*, in order to *place a significantly stronger* focus on achieving *specific* objectives, *in addition to* legality and regularity, without departing from the key principles of transparency, accountability and sound financial management;

Or. de

Amendment 125
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Notes that the DB 2012 proposes to increase commitment appropriations by 2.6% to EUR 60 158 million and payment appropriations by 2.8% to EUR 57 948 million as compared with Budget 2011; *underlines that these increases remain below the increase proposed by the Commission for the budget as a whole;*

Amendment

34. Notes that the DB 2012 proposes to increase commitment appropriations by 2.6% to EUR 60 158 million and payment appropriations by 2.8% to EUR 57 948 million as compared with Budget 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 126
Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34a. Recognises that all goals from the Treaties of Rome regarding agriculture have been achieved (increase of productivity, sufficient supply of food, reasonable consumer prices, stabilisation of markets) with the exception of providing an appropriate income for farmers; calls therefore on the Commission to take this adequately into consideration in all budgetary proposals;

Or. de

Amendment 127
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

35. Observes that these increases are above all the consequence of continuous phasing-in of direct payments to new Member States and additional needs for rural development; ***underlines the fact that market interventions remain almost stable compared with Budget 2011, while price volatility and the instability of certain markets continue to affect the agricultural sector;***

35. Observes that these increases are above all the consequence of continuous phasing-in of direct payments to new Member States and additional needs for rural development;

Or. en

Amendment 128
Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Observes that these increases are above all the consequence of continuous phasing-in of direct payments to new Member States and additional needs for rural development; underlines the fact that market interventions remain almost stable compared with Budget 2011, while price volatility and the instability of certain markets continue to affect the agricultural sector;

Amendment

35. Observes that these increases are above all the consequence of continuous phasing-in of direct payments to new Member States and additional needs for rural development; underlines the fact that market interventions remain almost stable compared with Budget 2011, while price volatility and the instability of certain markets continue to affect the agricultural sector; ***asks the Commission to develop proposals for a more long-term approach for all agricultural sectors, as well as concrete proposals for dealing with price volatility in their markets;***

Or. de

Amendment 129
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

37a. Regrets the absence of defining clear priorities under this Heading in favour of sustainable farming systems, which preserve biodiversity, protect water resources and soil fertility, respect animal welfare and employment;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 130
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. **Endorses** the continued support for programmes concerning school fruit , as well as for the Aid for Deprived Persons programme; **deplores**, conversely, the reduced budgetary allocation to the school milk scheme and **is concerned about** the cuts made to veterinary and phyto-sanitary measures;

Amendment

38. **Opposes** the continued support for programmes concerning school fruit , as well as for the Aid for Deprived Persons programme; **accepts**, conversely, the reduced budgetary allocation to the school milk scheme and **notes** the cuts made to veterinary and phyto-sanitary measures;

Or. en

Amendment 131
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

38a. Calls for a further reduction of export refunds and regrets the continued subsidising of the tobacco production in the EU, which is contrary to the objectives of the EU health policy;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 132
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development

Amendment

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development

programmes; *regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);*

programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 133
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);

Amendment

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; ***regrets that direct aids are not further conditioned to achievements of environmental and social objectives;*** calls, therefore, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively); ***points out nevertheless that the LIFE+ appropriations remain at a quite limited level;***

Or. en

Amendment 134

Georgios Stavrakakis, Spyros Danellis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, **therefore**, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);

Amendment

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; **and** calls for a further greening of the CAP, **without compromising the competitiveness of EU farmers**, which should also contribute **further** to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);

Or. en

Amendment 135

Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards **climate action and food security** as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for a **further**

Amendment

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards food security **and sustainability** as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for

greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the *vast* environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);

a *competitive and sustainable* CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);

Or. de

Amendment 136

Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution; ***in this context, also welcomes the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively);***

Amendment

39. Stresses that part of the spending under Heading 2 is instrumental in realising the Europe 2020 goals; emphasises that the priority goals of this strategy – growth and employment – are also accomplished through the rural development programmes; regards climate action and food security as two of the main challenges for the CAP; calls, therefore, for a further greening of the CAP, which should also contribute to meeting the vast environmental challenges the EU faces, including water pollution;

Or. en

Amendment 137

Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

39a. Welcomes, in this context, the increase for the LIFE+ programme (+4.3% and +1.9% in commitments and payments respectively) which gives priority solely to environment and climate action projects; reminds again that environmental problems and their solutions do not recognise national borders, thus dealing with it at EU level is self-evident;

Or. en

Amendment 138

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, ***the fight against climate change*** and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies, ***including EU financial support to developing countries; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether more resources are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;***

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies;

Or. en

Amendment 139
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies, ***including EU financial support to developing countries***; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether more resources are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

Amendment

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether more resources are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

Or. it

Amendment 140
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific

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40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific

attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies, including EU financial support to developing countries; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether *more resources* are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies, including EU financial support to developing countries; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether *reallocation of funding in this heading* are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities in other policies, including EU financial support to developing countries; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether more resources are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

Amendment

40. Emphasises that energy efficiency, the fight against climate change and the promotion of renewable energy are transversal priorities that can be financed under several headings of the EU budget, and that Parliament will pay specific attention to their funding, by budget line and overall; urges the Commission to further mainstream such priorities, *as well as water protection and the preservation of biodiversity* in other policies, including EU financial support to developing countries; takes the view that the proper implementation of the existing legislation on these topics is crucial and therefore asks the Commission to carefully analyse whether more resources are required in order to examine seriously the implementation of EU environmental legislation, and to report back to Parliament;

Amendment 142
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, *owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform*; takes the view that *the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet*;

Amendment

41. Points out that the Common Fisheries Policy *has been a disaster and is incapable of reform*; takes the view that *it should be dismantled and that fishing should be returned to a national competence*;

Amendment 143
Estelle Grelier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; *further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet*;

Amendment

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2;

Amendment 144
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, owing to ***its political importance, the financing and existing actions*** of the Common Fisheries Policy ***should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform***; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet;

Amendment

41. Points out that, owing to the ***overfishing of more than 70 % of European fish stocks, a fundamental reform of the Common Fisheries Policy needs to be financed; stresses that it essential for EU and national fisheries funding to be channelled, in a flexible manner, only into activities and measures which are based on ecologically, economically and socially sustainable fisheries***; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet ***and in particular combating Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing (IUU)***;

Amendment 145
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the

Amendment

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the

funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet;

funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet; ***considers effective fisheries' management of crucial importance in order to preserve fish stocks and prevent overfishing; in that context considers necessary to allocate increased funding to basic research into marine ecology, to the collection of scientific data and to the Fisheries Control Agency as well as to Member states' control activities; the EU should also contribute to improved controls in the waters of developing countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 146
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet;

Amendment

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved ***and maintained at the proposed levels***, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet ***and giving appropriate support to Member States in this regard;***

Or. en

Amendment 147
Estelle Grelier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy should not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet;

Amendment

41. Points out that, owing to its political importance, the financing and existing actions of the Common Fisheries Policy should be preserved, not least given its upcoming reform; takes the view that the funding of the integrated maritime policy, ***which should reach an adequate amount in 2012, should*** not be detrimental to that of other fisheries actions and programmes under Heading 2; further considers it crucial to keep on monitoring the size of the European fishing fleet;

Or. en

Amendment 148
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

41a. Recalls that Spain receives an average of 2.51 billion euros per annum over the course of the current MFF from the EU in regional funds; calls on the Commission to withhold regional funds from the Spanish regions where irregular or retroactive application of the Ley de Costas or regional urbanisation laws has resulted in the unjust and uncompensated expropriation of property;

Or. en

Amendment 149
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Notes that the overall increase in funding proposed in the DB 2012 compared to Budget 2011 for actions encompassed under this heading (+17.7% in commitments appropriations, +6.8 % in payment appropriations) is ***in line with*** the growing ambitions of the EU in the area of freedom, security and justice, as outlined in both the Treaty of Lisbon and the Stockholm Programme (2010-2014), which the ***European Council itself adopted in December 2009***;

Amendment

42. Notes that the overall increase in funding proposed in the DB 2012 compared to Budget 2011 for actions encompassed under this heading (+17.7% in commitments appropriations, +6.8 % in payment appropriations) is ***because of*** the growing ***and unjustified*** ambitions of the EU in the area of freedom, security and justice, as outlined in both the Treaty of Lisbon and the Stockholm Programme (2010-2014), which ***are intended to supplant the authority of the nations of Europe in these core responsibilities***;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Notes that these increases are mostly linked to three of the four ***Solidarity and*** Management of Immigration programmes: External Borders Fund (+38%), European Return Fund (+43%) and European Fund for the Integration of Third-Country Nationals (+24%); ***emphasises, however,*** that ***the*** increases ***foreseen under this heading for 2012*** are ***simply the result of the yearly breakdown of multiannual global amounts agreed upon by both Parliament and Council when these programmes and actions were adopted***;

Amendment

43. Notes that these increases are mostly linked to three of the four Management of Immigration programmes: External Borders Fund (+38%), European Return Fund (+43%) and European Fund for the Integration of Third-Country Nationals (+24%); ***underlines*** that increases are ***much more remarkable in those programmes oriented to prevent the arrival and to repatriate immigrants than other programmes which aim is their integration; highlights that this fact is paradoxical confronted with the challenges arisen by the processes of***

transition to democracy in the Southern Mediterranean;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Notes that these increases are mostly linked to three of the four Solidarity and Management of Immigration programmes: External Borders Fund (+38%), European Return Fund (+43%) and European Fund for the Integration of Third-Country Nationals (+24%); ***emphasises, however, that the increases foreseen under this heading for 2012 are simply the result of the yearly breakdown of multiannual global amounts agreed upon by both Parliament and Council when these programmes and actions were adopted;***

Amendment

43. Notes that these increases are mostly linked to three of the four Solidarity and Management of Immigration programmes: External Borders Fund (+38%), European Return Fund (+43%) and European Fund for the Integration of Third-Country Nationals (+24%);

Or. en

Amendment 152
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Very much wonders, therefore, whether the DB presented by the Commission constitutes an appropriate and updated answer to the current challenges facing the EU, not least in the context of the ongoing events in the Southern Mediterranean; recalls its

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strong call for an appropriate and balanced answer to these challenges, in full respect of internal protection rules and human rights; highlights in particular the role and support of the European Refugee Fund, including emergency measures in the event of mass influxes of refugees, and greatly regrets that the Commission did not propose any increase for this fund beyond what was initially foreseen in the financial programming;

Or. en

Amendment 153
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. *Very much wonders, therefore, whether the DB presented by the Commission constitutes an appropriate and updated answer to the current challenges facing the EU, not least in the context of the ongoing events in the Southern Mediterranean; recalls* its strong call for an appropriate and balanced answer to these challenges, in full respect of internal protection rules and human rights; highlights in particular the role and support of the European Refugee Fund, including emergency measures in the event of mass influxes of refugees, and greatly regrets that the Commission did not propose any increase for this fund beyond what was initially foreseen in the financial programming;

Amendment

44. **Recalls** its strong call for an appropriate and balanced answer to these challenges, in full respect of internal protection rules and human rights; highlights in particular the role and support of the European Refugee Fund, including emergency measures in the event of mass influxes of refugees, and greatly regrets that the Commission did not propose any increase for this fund beyond what was initially foreseen in the financial programming;

Or. en

Amendment 154
Barbara Matera, Giovanni Collino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Very much wonders, therefore, whether the DB presented by the Commission constitutes an appropriate and updated answer to the current challenges facing the EU, not least in the context of the ongoing events in the Southern Mediterranean; recalls its strong call for an appropriate and balanced answer to these challenges, in full respect of internal protection rules and human rights; highlights in particular the role and support of the European Refugee Fund, including emergency measures in the event of mass influxes of refugees, and greatly regrets that the Commission did not propose any increase for this fund beyond what was initially foreseen in the financial programming;

Amendment

44. Very much wonders, therefore, whether the DB presented by the Commission constitutes an appropriate and updated answer to the current challenges facing the EU, not least in the context of the ongoing events in the Southern Mediterranean; recalls its strong call for an appropriate and balanced answer to these challenges, ***with a view to improving the management of legal migration and slowing down illegal migration, with sufficient funding and support tools to handle emergency situations made available in a spirit of*** full respect of internal protection rules and human rights ***and solidarity amongst all Member States***; highlights in particular the role and support of the European Refugee Fund, including emergency measures in the event of mass influxes of refugees, and greatly regrets that the Commission did not propose any increase for this fund beyond what was initially foreseen in the financial programming;

Or. en

Amendment 155
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

44a. Strongly regrets that the Commission is sending a message of rejection towards refugees by increasing substantially the External Border Fund and the European

Amendment

Return Fund, while keeping the European Refugee Fund at the same level than in 2011; believes that the EU should adopt a more welcoming stance towards refugees, especially in light of the Libyan war and the ongoing severe repression against demonstrators in several Arab countries;

Or. en

Amendment 156
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. *Takes note of the repeated calls by the European Council to strengthen the operational capacity and role of FRONTEX; asks* the Commission to present the full budgetary implications for 2012 of the ongoing revision of FRONTEX and to provide a clearer picture of the Member States' financial participation in its functioning;

Amendment

45. *Asks* the Commission to present the full budgetary implications for 2012 of the ongoing revision of FRONTEX and to provide a clearer picture of the Member States' financial participation in its functioning;

Or. en

Amendment 157
Theodoros Skylakakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

45. Takes note of the repeated calls by the European Council to strengthen the operational capacity and role of FRONTEX; asks the Commission to present the full budgetary implications for

Amendment

45. Takes note of the repeated calls by the European Council to strengthen the operational capacity and role of FRONTEX, *in a period of increasing migration pressures*; asks the Commission

2012 of the ongoing revision of FRONTEX and to provide a clearer picture of the Member States' financial participation in its functioning;

to present the full budgetary implications for 2012 of the ongoing revision of FRONTEX and to provide a clearer picture of the Member States' financial participation in its functioning;

Or. en

Amendment 158
Alexander Alvaro, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45a. Considers putting part of the expenditure related to staff in active employment in the 'Home Affairs' policy area in reserve until all elements of the TFTP Agreement have been implemented according to its provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 159
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48. ***Deeply regrets*** that overall appropriations under this heading are down for a third consecutive year, with CA being reduced by 0.1% (to EUR 683 5 million) and PA by 0.3 % (to EUR 645 7 million) as compared to the 2011 Budget (excluding the EU Solidarity Fund), leaving a margin of EUR 15.5 million;

48. ***Accepts however*** that overall appropriations under this heading are down for a third consecutive year, with CA being reduced by 0.1% (to EUR 683 5 million) and PA by 0.3 % (to EUR 645 7 million) as compared to the 2011 Budget (excluding the EU Solidarity Fund), leaving a margin of EUR 15.5 million;

Or. en

Amendment 160
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

48. **Deeply regrets** that overall appropriations under this heading are down for a third consecutive year, with CA being reduced by 0.1% (to EUR 683 5 million) and PA by 0.3 % (to EUR 645 7 million) as compared to the 2011 Budget (excluding the EU Solidarity Fund), leaving a margin of EUR 15.5 million;

Amendment

48. **Notes** that overall appropriations under this heading are down for a third consecutive year, with CA being reduced by 0.1% (to EUR 683 5 million) and PA by 0.3 % (to EUR 645 7 million) as compared to the 2011 Budget (excluding the EU Solidarity Fund), leaving a margin of EUR 15.5 million;

Or. it

Amendment 161
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 49

Motion for a resolution

49. Takes the view that programmes and actions under this heading play an important role in achieving headline targets and flagships initiatives of the Europe 2020 strategy; reiterates that education, training and culture carry economic value since they contribute to economic growth and job creation and support the development of active citizenship;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 162
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute, Vladimír Remek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 49

Motion for a resolution

49. Takes the view that programmes and actions under this heading play an important role in achieving headline targets and flagships initiatives of the **Europe 2020** strategy; reiterates that education, training and culture carry economic value since they contribute to economic growth and job creation and support the development of active citizenship;

Amendment

49. Takes the view that programmes and actions under this heading play an important role in achieving headline targets and flagships initiatives of the **European** strategy; reiterates that education, training and culture carry economic value since they contribute **notably** to economic growth and **quality** job creation and support the development of active citizenship;

Or. en

Amendment 163
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute, Vladimír Remek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 50

Motion for a resolution

50. **Underlines** the **fact that the** very small margin available will allow limited room for manoeuvre when proposing new actions or taking decisions on stepping up the funding of priorities directly relevant to citizens;

Amendment

50. **Disagrees with** the very small margin available **that** will allow limited room for manoeuvre when proposing new actions or taking decisions on stepping up the funding of priorities directly relevant to citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 164
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 51

Motion for a resolution

51. **Welcomes** the ambitions of the

Amendment

51. **Deplores** the ambitions of the

Commission in proposing to increase by EUR 8 million, as compared to the initial financial programming, the 2012 allocations for Youth in Action (EUR 134.6 million foreseen in 2012), ***stresses that this programme constitutes one of the main tools of the ‘Youth on the Move’ flagship initiative and provides support for non-formal learning experiences and the development of active citizenship for young people;***

Commission in proposing to increase by EUR 8 million, as compared to the initial financial programming, the 2012 allocations for Youth in Action (EUR 134.6 million foreseen in 2012);

Or. en

Amendment 165

Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51

Motion for a resolution

51. ***Welcomes the ambitions*** of the Commission ***in proposing*** to increase by EUR 8 million, as compared to the initial financial programming, the 2012 allocations for Youth in Action (EUR 134.6 million foreseen in 2012), ***stresses that this*** programme constitutes one of the main tools of the ‘Youth on the Move’ flagship initiative and provides support for non-formal learning experiences and the development of active citizenship for young people;

Amendment

51. ***Takes due note*** of the Commission’s ***proposal*** to increase by EUR 8 million, as compared to the initial financial programming, the 2012 allocations for Youth in Action (EUR 134.6 million foreseen in 2012), ***a*** programme ***which*** constitutes one of the main tools of the ‘Youth on the Move’ flagship initiative and provides support for non-formal learning experiences and the development of active citizenship for young people;

Or. en

Amendment 166

Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 52

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52. Regrets that similar efforts are not being proposed for programmes such as MEDIA and Culture 2007, although they contribute greatly to the richness and diversity of European culture and give support to actions which would not be funded by Member States alone;

deleted

Or. en

**Amendment 167
Lucas Hartong**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52. Regrets that similar efforts are not being proposed for programmes such as MEDIA and Culture 2007, although they contribute greatly to the richness and diversity of European culture and give support to actions which would not be funded by Member States alone;

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Or. en

**Amendment 168
Carl Haglund**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52. **Regrets** that similar efforts are not being proposed for programmes such as **MEDIA and Culture 2007, although they contribute** greatly to the richness and diversity of European culture and give

52. **Notes** that similar efforts are not being proposed for programmes such as Culture 2007, **which contributes** greatly to the richness and diversity of European culture and give support to actions which would

support to actions which would not be funded by Member States alone;

not be funded by Member States alone;

Or. en

Amendment 169
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific programme in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds this attitude all the more surprising since some funding – though of limited magnitude – was available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

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Or. en

Amendment 170
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific programme in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds this attitude all the more surprising since some funding – though of limited magnitude – was available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

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Amendment 171
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific programme in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds this attitude all the more surprising since some funding – though of limited magnitude – was available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 172
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific *programme* in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds *this attitude all the more surprising since* some funding – though of limited magnitude – *was* available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

Amendment

53. *Underlines* its *willingness to propose* specific *measures* in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds *that* some funding – though of limited magnitude – *needs to continue to be* available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

Amendment 173
Miguel Portas, Jürgen Klute, Vladimír Remek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific programme in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds this attitude ***all the more surprising*** since some funding – though of limited magnitude – was available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

Amendment

53. Is astonished that the Commission has not proposed in its Draft Budget 2012 any specific programme in favour of sport, although this is now a fully-fledged competence of the Union deriving from the Treaty of Lisbon; finds this attitude ***deplorable*** since some funding – though of limited magnitude – was available in Budgets 2009, 2010 and 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53a. Welcomes the increase for the Public Health programme as public health has become a key-driver for competitiveness in ageing European societies,; acknowledges the Commission's efforts to find financing solutions for continuing important educational campaigns such as the HELP campaign for a life without tobacco;

Or. en

Amendment 175
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

54. Deplores the decrease in the Civil Protection Financial Instrument's funding as compared to the financial programming (EUR -1.8 million), and asks the Commission to provide further explanations for this decrease, given that civil protection is now a new competence of the EU;

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Or. en

Amendment 176
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

54. Deplores the decrease in the Civil Protection Financial Instrument's funding as compared to the financial programming (EUR -1.8 million), and asks the Commission to provide further explanations for this decrease, given that civil protection is now a new competence of the EU;

54. Welcomes the decrease in the Civil Protection Financial Instrument's funding as compared to the financial programming (EUR -1.8 million);

Or. en

Amendment 177
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

54 a. Recalls that, in order to ensure

transparency and full involvement of the European Parliament and its Members, European Public Spaces need to have their own separate line; regrets the Commission proposal to empty this line and to merge the EPS allocations with the Commission Representations' line; recalls that the European Public Spaces are run jointly by the Commission and the Parliament and therefore their budget should be separated from the Commission Representations' budget as reflected in the 2010 and 2011 budgets; underlines that Parliament will not accept any attempt to change the will of the budgetary authorities in this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 178

Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

55. Notes that the commitment and payment appropriations requested in the DB 2012 have increased by 2.9% and 0.8%, as compared to the 2011 Budget, to EUR 9 009.3 and EUR 7 293.7 million respectively (account being taken of the Emergency Aid reserve); ***points out that these increases remain below the increase proposed by the Commission for the Budget as a whole;***

Amendment

55. Notes that the commitment and payment appropriations requested in the DB 2012 have increased by 2.9% and 0.8%, as compared to the 2011 Budget, to EUR 9 009.3 and EUR 7 293.7 million respectively (account being taken of the Emergency Aid reserve);

Or. en

Amendment 179

Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55a. Recalls that until now the Commission has failed to return funds (240 Million) used for the Food Facility to heading 4 and especially the Instrument for Stability as demanded by the Committee on Budgets in paragraph 23 of its report A7-0038/2009 adopted on 12. October 2009;

Or. en

Amendment 180
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 56

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

56. Is firmly convinced that a particular and concrete effort must be made to make optimal, coordinated use of all European instruments available (not only financial envelopes within the EU budget, but also instruments managed by the EIB, EBRD etc.) and Member State actions; emphasises that flexibility in the programming and implementation of the EU instruments must be further improved to allow an adequate and effective response to political and humanitarian crises in third countries without, however, jeopardising long-term political commitments and priorities;

56. Is firmly convinced that a particular and concrete effort must be made to make optimal, coordinated use of all European instruments available (not only financial envelopes within the EU budget, but also instruments managed by the EIB, EBRD etc.) and Member State actions; emphasises that flexibility in the programming and implementation of the EU instruments must be further improved to allow an adequate and effective response to political and humanitarian crises in third countries without, however, jeopardising long-term political commitments and priorities; ***calls, to this end, for the Commission, the European External Action Service and the European Investment Bank to coordinate their efforts with a view to ensuring that the objectives of EU external action are as targeted and effective as possible;***

Amendment 181
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 57

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

57. Believes it to be the EU's duty to respond adequately and comprehensively to recent political developments in Mediterranean neighbouring countries and to provide support and assistance to movements fighting for democratic values and the establishment of the rule of law; reiterates that reinforcement of financial assistance to these countries must not be detrimental to priorities and instruments for the benefit of neighbouring Eastern European countries;

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Amendment 182
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 57

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

57. Believes it to be the EU's duty to respond adequately and comprehensively to recent political developments in Mediterranean neighbouring countries and to provide support and assistance to movements fighting for democratic values and the establishment of the rule of law; reiterates that reinforcement of financial assistance to these countries must not be detrimental to priorities and instruments for the benefit of neighbouring Eastern

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European countries;

Or. en

Amendment 183

Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 57

Motion for a resolution

57. Believes it to be the EU's duty to respond adequately and comprehensively to recent political developments in Mediterranean neighbouring countries and to provide support and assistance to movements fighting for democratic values and the establishment of the rule of law; reiterates that reinforcement of financial assistance to these countries must not be detrimental to priorities and instruments for the benefit of neighbouring Eastern European countries;

Amendment

57. Believes it to be the EU's duty to respond adequately and comprehensively to recent political developments in Mediterranean neighbouring countries and to provide support and assistance to movements fighting for democratic values and the establishment of the rule of law, ***including by setting up the Euro-Mediterranean Bank and implementing financial instruments and facilities in cooperation with the European and international financial institutions operating in the area***; reiterates that reinforcement of financial assistance to these countries must not be detrimental to priorities and instruments for the benefit of neighbouring Eastern European countries;

Or. it

Amendment 184

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Is very concerned from this point of view that the proposed margin of EUR 246.7 million for Heading 4, while far above that foreseen by the January 2011

Amendment

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update of the financial programming (EUR 132.2 million), may be insufficient to address the increasing needs under Heading 4, since it seems to be based on cuts to some major EU programmes; is determined to further check and analyse the impact of these cuts;

Or. en

Amendment 185
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. *Is very concerned from this point of view* that the proposed margin of EUR 246.7 million for Heading 4, while far above that foreseen by the January 2011 update of the financial programming (EUR 132.2 million), may be insufficient to address the increasing needs under Heading 4, since it seems to be based on cuts to some major EU programmes; is determined to further check and analyse the impact of these cuts;

Amendment

58. *Points out* that the proposed margin of EUR 246.7 million for Heading 4, while far above that foreseen by the January 2011 update of the financial programming (EUR 132.2 million), may be insufficient to address the increasing needs under Heading 4, since it seems to be based on cuts to some major EU programmes; is determined to further check and analyse the impact of these cuts;

Or. it

Amendment 186
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Is very concerned from this point of view that the proposed margin of EUR 246.7 million for Heading 4, while far above that foreseen by the January 2011

Amendment

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update of the financial programming (EUR 132.2 million), may be insufficient to address the **increasing** needs under Heading 4, since it seems to be based on cuts to some major EU programmes; is determined to further check and analyse the impact of these cuts;

update of the financial programming (EUR 132.2 million), may be insufficient to address the **new** needs under Heading 4, since it seems to be based on cuts to some major EU programmes; is determined to further check and analyse the impact of these cuts;

Or. en

Amendment 187
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

59. Recalls that Parliament and Council have still not agreed on the legal basis for Banana Accompanying Measures and Cooperation with Industrialised and other High-Income Countries (ICI+) and that this agreement will have an impact on Budget 2012 appropriations;

Amendment

59. Recalls that Parliament and Council have still not agreed on the legal basis for Banana Accompanying Measures and Cooperation with Industrialised and other High-Income Countries (ICI+) and that this agreement will have an impact on Budget 2012 appropriations; ***regrets the Commission's proposal to cut funding for the cooperation with developing countries in Asia and Latin America ; calls for a swift adoption of the ICI+ legislation and for an endorsement of adequate funding for Asia and Latin America;***

Or. en

Amendment 188
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Asks the Commission, therefore, not to limit its upcoming amending letter to the

Amendment

60. Asks the Commission, therefore, not to limit its upcoming amending letter to the

budgetary consequences of its review of the European Neighbourhood Policy **but** also to address, **if necessary together with the use of all the means provided for by the IIA, all** other outstanding issues and needs, including the financing of Palestine and UNRWA, which is decreased by EUR 100 million as compared to 2011 Budget, **in order to maximise the impact of EU assistance in the world;**

budgetary consequences of its review of the European Neighbourhood Policy **and** also to address all other outstanding issues and needs, including the financing of Palestine and UNRWA, which is **very wisely** decreased by EUR 100 million as compared to 2011 Budget;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Asks the Commission, therefore, not to limit its upcoming amending letter to the budgetary consequences of its review of the European Neighbourhood Policy but also to address, if necessary together with the use of all the means provided for by the IIA, all other outstanding issues and needs, **including the financing of Palestine and UNRWA, which is decreased by EUR 100 million as compared to 2011 Budget**, in order to maximise the impact of EU assistance in the world;

Amendment

60. Asks the Commission, therefore, not to limit its upcoming amending letter to the budgetary consequences of its review of the European Neighbourhood Policy but also to address, if necessary together with the use of all the means provided for by the IIA, all other outstanding issues and needs, in order to maximise the impact of EU assistance in the world;

Or. it

Amendment 190
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60a. Stresses that there is a continuous need for resources to fund the external dimension of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region; reminds that all funds initially foreseen for this purpose in the original DB 2011 were excluded in the second DB;

Or. en

**Amendment 191
Monika Hohlmeier**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

61. Deplores the reduction of the programmed increase in the funding for the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance from EUR 139 million to only EUR 79 million, as compared to Budget 2011;

deleted

Or. de

**Amendment 192
Claudio Morganti**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

61. Deplores the reduction of the programmed increase in the funding for the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance from EUR 139 million to only EUR 79 million, as compared to Budget 2011;

deleted

Amendment 193
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. **Deplores** the reduction of the programmed increase in the funding for the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance from EUR 139 million to only EUR 79 million, as compared to Budget 2011;

Amendment

61. **Applauds** the reduction of the programmed increase in the funding for the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance from EUR 139 million to only EUR 79 million, as compared to Budget 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 194
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 62

Motion for a resolution

62. **Notes** the proposed increase in the funding of environment and sustainable management of natural resources (ENRTP) under the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI) by EUR 51.8 million as compared to financial programming in order to address the fast-start climate change action; strongly **opposes** the other decreases, amounting to EUR 78 million overall, made to DCI geographical programmes, **which would run counter to the EU effort to contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and respect the EU commitment, at the highest level, to reaching the 0.7% of GNI target by 2015 for development cooperation;**

Amendment

62. **Deplores** the proposed increase in the funding of environment and sustainable management of natural resources (ENRTP) under the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI) by EUR 51.8 million as compared to financial programming in order to address the fast-start climate change action; strongly **welcomes** the other decreases, amounting to EUR 78 million overall, made to DCI geographical programmes;

Amendment 195
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63. Recalls that it will firmly reject any systematic, quasi-automatic and sometimes unconsidered cuts by the other branch of the budgetary authority in administrative expenditure under Heading 4 for the sole sake of decreasing appropriations, since this would deprive the EU of its means to properly and efficiently implement its programmes;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 196
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63. Recalls that it will firmly reject any systematic, quasi-automatic and sometimes unconsidered cuts by the other branch of the budgetary authority in administrative expenditure under Heading 4 for the sole sake of decreasing appropriations, since this would deprive the EU of its means to properly and efficiently implement its programmes;

63. Is not opposed by principle to possible savings in administrative expenditure under Heading 4 **at the condition that** this would **not** deprive the EU of its means to properly and efficiently implement its programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 197
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64

Motion for a resolution

64. Notes that total administrative expenditure for all institutions is estimated at EUR 8 281 million, representing an increase of 1.3% as compared to 2011, leaving a margin of EUR 472.5 million;

Amendment

64. Notes that total administrative expenditure for all institutions is estimated at EUR 8 281 million, representing an increase of 1.3% as compared to 2011, leaving a margin of EUR 472.5 million; ***notes that estimated administrative expenditure outside heading five is EUR 1.12 billion an increase of 1.2% over 2011;***

Or. en

Amendment 198
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 65

Motion for a resolution

65. ***Notes*** the letter from the Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget of 3 February 2011 committing to an increase in Heading 5 expenditure below 1% and no new staff as compared to 2011 and calling upon all institutions to follow the same approach as regards the evolution of their budgets;

Amendment

65. ***Welcomes*** the letter from the Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget of 3 February 2011 committing to an increase in Heading 5 expenditure below 1% and no new staff as compared to 2011 and calling upon all institutions to follow the same approach as regards the evolution of their budgets ***and expresses its determination to follow this example;***

Or. en

Amendment 199
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 65

Motion for a resolution

65. Notes the letter from the Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget of 3 February 2011 committing to an increase in Heading 5 expenditure below 1% and no new staff as compared to 2011 and calling upon all institutions to follow the same approach as regards the evolution of their budgets;

Amendment

65. Notes the letter from the Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget of 3 February 2011 committing to an increase in Heading 5 expenditure below 1% and no new staff as compared to 2011 and calling upon all institutions to follow the same approach as regards the evolution of their budgets; ***notes that the European Parliament has submitted a budget estimate for administration in 2012 increased by 2.7% over that of 2011;***

Or. en

Amendment 200
José Manuel Fernandes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Observes that the Commission, the Council, the Court of Auditors, the Ombudsman and the Data Protection Supervisor have followed suit; stresses that it will scrutinise in depth the other institutions' estimates, inter alia against the additional needs and activities related to the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty;

Amendment

66. Observes that the Commission, the Council, the Court of Auditors, the Ombudsman and the Data Protection Supervisor have followed suit; ***underlines that the European Parliament has succeeded to reduce its own estimates by around 50 mio EUR compared to the first proposal of preliminary draft estimates;*** stresses that it will scrutinise in depth the other institutions' estimates, inter alia against the additional needs and activities related to the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty;

Or. en

Amendment 201
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Observes that the Commission, the Council, the Court of Auditors, the Ombudsman and the Data Protection Supervisor have followed suit; stresses that it will scrutinise in depth the other institutions' estimates, inter alia against the additional needs and activities related to the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty;

Amendment

66. Observes that **while** the Commission, the Council, the Court of Auditors, the Ombudsman and the Data Protection Supervisor have followed suit **the European Parliament has sought a much higher increase**; stresses that it will scrutinise in depth the other institutions' estimates, inter alia against the additional needs and activities related to the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty;

Or. en

Amendment 202
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; **is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office)**;

Amendment

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; **calls on the Commission to sharply reduce new contractual requirements that will commit it greater expense in the future**;

Or. en

Amendment 203
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. **Acknowledges** the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; **is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);**

Amendment

67. **Welcomes** the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure;

Or. en

Amendment 204
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; **is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);**

Amendment

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure;

Amendment 205
Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; ***is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office)***;

Amendment

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure;

Amendment 206
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; ***is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and***

Amendment

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure;

publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);

Or. it

Amendment 207
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences *of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);*

Amendment

67. Acknowledges the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; is nevertheless concerned about the possible consequences;

Or. en

Amendment 208
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. *Acknowledges* the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; is nevertheless

Amendment

67. *Welcomes* the Commission's great effort to freeze its own administrative expenditure in nominal terms; notes that this was rendered possible through the offsetting of the increases linked to statutory and contractual obligations against other drastic cuts in other administrative expenditure; is nevertheless

concerned about the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);

determined to analyse the possible consequences of the latter, for instance those related to training (-11%) and publications (-17% and -2.1% for the Publication Office);

Or. en

Amendment 209
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 68

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

68. Stresses that any further cut to 2012 administrative appropriations within Section III, including to the administrative support expenditure lines (former BA-lines), might have an adverse impact on the implementation of programmes, in particular in view of the new EU tasks following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty; insists that the savings resulting from reduced administrative support expenditure remain within the corresponding programmes' financial envelopes for enhanced delivery on the ground; emphasises, furthermore, that while EU competences keep on increasing, this trend is not sustainable in the long term and will have an adverse impact on the swift, regular and effective implementation of EU actions and programmes;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 210
Lucas Hartong

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 68**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

68. Stresses that any further cut to 2012 administrative appropriations within Section III, including to the administrative support expenditure lines (former BA-lines), might have an adverse impact on the implementation of programmes, in particular in view of the new EU tasks following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty; insists that the savings resulting from reduced administrative support expenditure remain within the corresponding programmes' financial envelopes for enhanced delivery on the ground; emphasises, furthermore, that while EU competences keep on increasing, this trend is not sustainable in the long term and will have an adverse impact on the swift, regular and effective implementation of EU actions and programmes; *deleted*

Or. en

**Amendment 211
Lajos Bokros**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, but views with scepticism its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; wonders in particular where the 230 additional posts for the *deleted*

monitoring of Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General;

Or. en

Amendment 212
Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, *but views with scepticism its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU*, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; *wonders in particular where the 230 additional posts for the monitoring of Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General;*

Amendment

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources;

Or. en

Amendment 213
Olle Ludvigsson, Astrid Lulling, Sven Giegold, Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, but views with scepticism its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; wonders in particular where the 230 additional posts **for** the monitoring of Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General;

Amendment

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, but views with scepticism its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; wonders in particular where the 230 additional posts **needed to ensure** the **appropriate** monitoring of Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General; **stresses that the human resources issue is made all the more important by the fact that DG ECFIN may have to be further strengthened to cope with vital additional tasks as soon as the economic governance package has been adopted;**

Or. en

Amendment 214
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts, **but views with scepticism** its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; **wonders** in particular where the 230 additional posts for the monitoring of

Amendment

69. Acknowledges the Commission's efforts not to request any additional posts **and**, its commitment to meet all its needs, including those relating to new priorities and to the entry into force of the TFEU, merely by means of internal redeployment of existing human resources; **ask for further information** in particular where the 230 additional posts for the monitoring of

Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General;

Member States' economic and financial situation within DG ECFIN are to be redeployed from and what the impact of 70 fewer posts for administrative support and programmes management will be, following redeployments within specific Directorates-General;

Or. en

Amendment 215
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69a. Underlines that the increase proposed for EPSO (+5.4% in CA and PA) seems to contradict the Commission's efforts to reduce administrative expenditure; requests more information on the proposed increase of EPSO's allocations and on the externalization by EPSO of key services; shows its deep concern about the recent Pachtitis ruling questioning the role EPSO is playing in EU open competitions, and the invasion by EPSO of competences of the Selection Boards; requests full information on how this ruling has been applied;

Or. en

Amendment 216
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70. Notes the 4% increase in expenditure

70. Notes the 4% increase in expenditure

on pensions (as against +5.2% from 2010 to 2011) in view of the wave of retirements of officials born in the 1950s; invites the Commission to supply a more in-depth analysis of the long-term budgetary consequences of this trend, ***while at the same time considering the possible consequences, whether direct and indirect, of any change in the EU pension scheme on the attractiveness, quality and independence of the European civil service; stresses that any such change should follow due social dialogue;***

on pensions (as against +5.2% from 2010 to 2011) in view of the wave of retirements of officials born in the 1950s; invites the Commission to supply a more in-depth analysis of the long-term budgetary consequences of this trend;

Or. en

Amendment 217
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

70. Notes the 4% increase in expenditure on pensions (as against +5.2% from 2010 to 2011) in view of the wave of retirements of officials ***born in the 1950s***; invites the Commission to supply a more in-depth analysis of the long-term budgetary consequences of this trend, while at the same time considering the possible consequences, whether direct and indirect, of any change in the EU pension scheme on the attractiveness, quality and independence of the European civil service; stresses that any such change should follow due social dialogue;

Amendment

70. Notes the 4% increase in expenditure on pensions (as against +5.2% from 2010 to 2011) in view of the wave of retirements of officials; invites the Commission to supply a more in-depth analysis of the long-term budgetary consequences of this trend, while at the same time considering the possible consequences, whether direct and indirect, of any change in the EU pension scheme on the attractiveness, quality and independence of the European civil service; stresses that any such change should follow due social dialogue;

Or. en

Amendment 218
Lajos Bokros

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

71. Takes the view that the European Schools should be adequately funded in the interests of addressing the specific situation and needs of the children of agents of the EU institutions; will carefully scrutinise the proposed overall 1.7% increase as compared to 2011, which is below that foreseen in the financial programming, as well as each of the European Schools' budget lines, and make, during its reading, any modification it considers appropriate in this respect;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 219
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

71. Takes the view that the European Schools should be *adequately* funded *in* the *interests of addressing the specific situation and needs of the children of agents of the EU institutions; will carefully scrutinise* the *proposed overall 1.7% increase as compared to 2011, which is below that foreseen in the financial programming, as well as each of the European Schools' budget lines, and make, during its reading, any modification it considers appropriate in this respect;*

71. Takes the view that the European Schools should *not* be funded *by* the EU *and be taken off* the budget;

Or. en

Amendment 220
Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

71. ***Takes the view that*** the European Schools ***should be adequately funded in the interests of addressing the specific situation and needs of the children of agents of the EU institutions; will*** carefully scrutinise the proposed overall 1.7% increase as compared to 2011, ***which is below that foreseen in the financial programming,*** as well as each of the ***European Schools'*** budget lines, and make, during its reading, any modification it considers appropriate in this respect;

Amendment

71. ***Will, in connection with*** the European Schools, carefully scrutinise the proposed overall 1.7% increase as compared to 2011, as well as each of the ***relevant*** budget lines, and make, during its reading, any modification it considers appropriate in this respect;

Or. it

Amendment 221
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 71 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

71a. Notes that the External Action Service is estimated to cost EUR 491 million in 2012; questions whether this is value for money under any criterion especially that which would be applied to a service tasked with dealing with unrest on the boundaries of the European continent;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 222
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

72. **Stresses** that pilot projects (PPs) and preparatory actions (PAs) are key tools for the formulation of political priorities and for paving the way for new initiatives that might turn into EU activities and programmes likely to improve the lives of EU citizens; intends, therefore, to **support** by all possible means its proposals regarding pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2012 Budget, **while stressing the need carefully to study the Commission's preliminary assessment expected in July 2011 for the definition of a global and balanced final package on this issue;**

Amendment

72. **Strongly opposes** that pilot projects (PPs) and preparatory actions (PAs) are key tools for the formulation of political priorities and for paving the way for new initiatives that might turn into EU activities and programmes likely to improve the lives of EU citizens; intends, therefore, to **reject** by all possible means its proposals regarding pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2012 Budget;

Or. en

Amendment 223
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

72. **Stresses** that pilot projects (PPs) and preparatory actions (PAs) are key tools for the formulation of **political priorities and for paving the way for new initiatives that might turn into** EU activities and programmes **likely to improve the lives of** EU citizens; **intends, therefore, to support by all possible means its proposals regarding pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2012 Budget, while stressing the need carefully to study the Commission's preliminary assessment expected in July 2011 for the definition of a global and balanced final package on this issue;**

Amendment

72. **Considers** that pilot projects (PPs) and preparatory actions (PAs) are key tools for the formulation of new EU activities **some of which will become new EU** programmes **whose aim is to make** the EU **seem relevant to EU** citizens; in **light of anticipated difficulties with the EU budget** for the **foreseeable future considers that these PPs and PAs should be cancelled;**

Amendment 224
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 73

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73. Intends to this end to forward to the Commission, as provided for in Annex II, part D of the IIA, a first provisional list of potential pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2012 Budget; expects the Commission to provide a well-reasoned analysis of Parliament's indicative proposals; stresses that this first provisional list does not preclude the formal tabling and adoption of amendments concerning pilot projects and preparatory actions during Parliament's reading of the budget;

deleted

Amendment 225
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 73

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73. Intends to this end to forward to the Commission, as provided for in Annex II, part D of the IIA, a first provisional list of potential pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2012 Budget; expects the Commission to provide a well-reasoned analysis of Parliament's indicative proposals; stresses that this first provisional list does not preclude the formal tabling and adoption of amendments concerning pilot projects

deleted

*and preparatory actions during
Parliament's reading of the budget;*

Or. en

Amendment 226
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 74

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

74. Takes note of one new pilot project and five preparatory actions – two of them new – proposed by the Commission under different headings; states its firm intention of analysing the content and objectives of the newly proposed initiatives in the course of the upcoming negotiations;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 227
Marta Andreasen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 74

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

74. Takes note of one new pilot project and five preparatory actions – two of them new – proposed by the Commission under different headings; states its firm intention of *analysing the content and objectives of the newly proposed initiatives in the course of the upcoming negotiations;*

74. Takes note of one new pilot project and five preparatory actions – two of them new – proposed by the Commission under different headings; states its firm intention of *postponing them;*

Or. en

Amendment 228

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 75

Motion for a resolution

75. **Notes** the overall level of EUR 720.8 million devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new⁵ and seven phasing-in agencies⁶, with a view to providing them with adequate funding; ***underlines the importance of*** additional funding for those 10 agencies⁷, ***the tasks of which have been extended, so as not to hinder their performance; notes that the increase in the EU contribution to the agencies at cruising speed is in line with, or even below, inflation correction (2%), with no additional staff;***

Amendment

75. ***Deeply deplores*** the overall level of EUR 720.8 million devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new⁵ and seven phasing-in agencies⁶, with a view to providing them with adequate funding; ***strongly opposes*** additional funding for those 10 agencies;

Or. en

Amendment 229

Claudio Morganti

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 75

Motion for a resolution

75. Notes the overall level of EUR 720.8 million devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new and seven phasing-in agencies, with a view to providing them with adequate funding; ***underlines the importance of additional funding for***

Amendment

75. Notes the overall level of EUR 720.8 million devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new and seven phasing-in agencies, with a view to providing them with adequate funding;

those 10 agencies, the tasks of which have been extended, so as not to hinder their performance; notes that the increase in the EU contribution to the agencies at cruising speed is in line with, or even below, inflation correction (2%), with no additional staff;

Or. it

Amendment 230

Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 75

Motion for a resolution

75. Notes the overall level of EUR 720.8 million devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new⁵ and seven phasing-in agencies⁶, with a view to providing them with adequate funding; underlines the importance of additional funding for those 10 agencies⁷, the tasks of which have been extended, so as not to hinder their performance; notes that the increase in the EU contribution to the agencies at cruising speed is in line with, or even below, inflation correction (2%), with no additional staff;

Amendment

75. Notes the overall level of EUR 720.8 million **(i.e. 0.49% of the total EU budget)** devoted to EU decentralised agencies in DB 2012, an increase in the total EU contribution as compared to the 2011 Budget of EUR 34.6 million, or +4.9%; is aware that this increase mainly stems from the one new⁵ and seven phasing-in agencies⁶, with a view to providing them with adequate funding; underlines the importance of additional funding for those 10 agencies⁷, the tasks of which have been extended, so as not to hinder their performance; notes that the increase in the EU contribution to the agencies at cruising speed is in line with, or even below, inflation correction (2%), with no additional staff;

Or. en

Amendment 231

Helga Trüpel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 75 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

75a. Highlights the importance of adequate funding for financial markets supervisory agencies in times of ongoing serious risks in this field;

Or. en

Amendment 232

Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

76. Stresses that EU agencies' budget allocations are far from consisting in administrative expenditure alone, but instead contribute to achieving the Europe 2020 goals and EU objectives in general, as decided by the legislative authority; endorses therefore, in times of austerity, the Commission's restrictive approach to determining EU decentralised agencies' subsidies from the EU budget, but disapproves of the use of assigned revenue to reduce the EU Budget contribution to fee-dependent agencies, which is used by the Commission to increase margins artificially;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 233

Carl Haglund

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

76. Stresses that EU agencies' budget allocations are far from consisting in administrative expenditure alone, but instead contribute to achieving the Europe 2020 goals and EU objectives in general, as decided by the legislative authority; endorses therefore, in times of austerity, the Commission's restrictive approach to determining EU decentralised agencies' subsidies from the EU budget, but disapproves of the use of assigned revenue to reduce the EU Budget contribution to fee-dependent agencies, **which** is used by the Commission to increase margins artificially;

Amendment

76. Stresses that EU agencies' budget allocations are far from consisting in administrative expenditure alone, but instead contribute to achieving the Europe 2020 goals and EU objectives in general, as decided by the legislative authority; endorses therefore, in times of austerity, the Commission's restrictive approach to determining EU decentralised agencies' subsidies from the EU budget, but disapproves of the use of assigned revenue to reduce the EU Budget contribution to fee-dependent agencies, **when this** is used by the Commission to increase margins artificially;

Or. en

Amendment 234

Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

76. Stresses that EU agencies' budget allocations are far from consisting in administrative expenditure alone, but instead contribute to achieving the Europe 2020 goals and EU objectives in general, as decided by the legislative authority; endorses therefore, in times of austerity, the Commission's restrictive approach to determining EU decentralised agencies' subsidies from the EU budget, but disapproves of the use of assigned revenue to reduce the EU Budget contribution to fee-dependent agencies, which is used by the Commission to increase margins artificially;

Amendment

76. Stresses that EU agencies' budget allocations are far from consisting in administrative expenditure alone, but instead contribute to achieving the Europe 2020 goals and EU objectives in general, as decided by the legislative authority; endorses therefore, in times of austerity, the Commission's restrictive approach to determining EU decentralised agencies' subsidies from the EU budget, but disapproves **again** of the use of assigned revenue to reduce the EU Budget contribution to fee-dependent agencies, which is used by the Commission to increase margins artificially, **is in this context concerned that the Commission repeatedly ignores the political will of the**

Amendment 235
Lucas Hartong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77

Motion for a resolution

77. **Notes** that, among the 213 new establishment plan posts for agencies (out of a total of 4 854), 80 will be allocated to new or starting-up agencies, and the rest to agencies whose tasks are being extended; reiterates its call for a ***specific approach to the recruitment of specialised scientific staff with professional experience, especially when these posts are financed exclusively from fees and are thus budget-neutral*** for the EU budget;

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77. **Deplores** that, among the 213 new establishment plan posts for agencies (out of a total of 4 854), 80 will be allocated to new or starting-up agencies, and the rest to agencies whose tasks are being extended; reiterates its call for a ***full stop to EU decentralised agencies and for them to be taken off*** the EU budget;

Amendment 236
Jutta Haug

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

77a. Disapproves the Commission's approach to change the presentation of the two-self-financed agencies OHIM and CPVO in the DB 2012, i.e. deleting the respective budget lines and deciding not to publish the establishment plans; takes note, nevertheless, that the two respective agencies are not bound to any decisions by the Budget Authority regarding the subsidy levels or the staffing; intends,

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however, to provide these information in the budget as a matter of transparency; reiterates again that a solution needs to be found for the excessive surpluses gained by the OHIM fee regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 237
Giovanni La Via

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77 a (new)

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77a. Considers the following points of the Budget 2012 to be of specific interest in the trilogue:

- budgetary implications of the EU2020 strategy;*
- adequate level of payments;*
- the limited margins in the 2012 DB;*

Further topics of interest are:

- the financing of ITER;*
- the Lisbon Package;*
- the Amending Budgets 2011 on Solidarity Funds, Surplus and ENPI*
- further upcoming important subjects;*

Or. en