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Amendment 1
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the Council
Conclusions of 6 December 2010 on
'Employment policies for a competitive,
low-carbon, resource-efficient and green
economy',**

Or. en

Amendment 2
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the study of the
European Centre for the Development of
Vocational Training (CEDEFOP 'Skills
for Green Jobs', 2010,**

Or. en

Amendment 3
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to its resolution of ... July
2011 on promoting workers' mobility
within the European Union[1],
[1] Texts adopted, P7_TA-**

Amendment 4
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Bruges Communiqué on enhanced European Cooperation in Vocational Education and Training for the period 2011-2020, which was adopted on the 7 December 2010[1], [1] Commission Press Release IP/10/1673.

Amendment 5
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Cedefop study of May 2009 entitled ‘Skills for Europe’s future: anticipating occupational skill needs’,

Amendment 6
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission staff working document on ‘Progress Towards the Common European Objectives in the Education and Training’ (SEC(2011)0526),

Or. en

Amendment 7

Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution

Citation 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Article 27 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,

Or. bg

Amendment 8

Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution

Citation 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the report by the European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities (EASPD) indicating that, with unemployment in Europe on the increase, it is becoming harder for people with disabilities to obtain and remain in work, and to the fact that in many countries the level of unemployment among people with disabilities is higher than that among non-disabled people,

Amendment 9
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Citation 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its entry into force in the Union on 21.01.2011, according to the Council Decision 2010/48/EC of 26 November 2009 concerning the conclusion, by the European Community, of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities[1] ,
[1] OJ L 23, 27.1.2010, p. 35

Or. en

Amendment 10
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Citation 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the communication from the Commission of 21 September 2010 on Strategy for Equality between Women and Men 2010-2015 (COM(2010)0491),

Or. en

Amendment 11
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Citation 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Council conclusions of 7 March 2011 on the European Pact for gender equality for the period 2011-2020[1],

[1] Council of the European Union Council Conclusions on the European Pact for Gender Equality for the period 2011-2020, 3073th Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council meeting, Brussels, 7 March 2011

Or. en

Amendment 12
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the communication from the Commission of 3 October 2008 on a Commission Recommendation on the active inclusion of people excluded from the labour market (COM(2008)0639) and its resolution thereon of 6 May 2009,

Or. en

Amendment 13
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Council

*Conclusions of 7 March 2011 on the
European Pact for Gender Equality for
the period 2011-2020,*

Or. en

Amendment 14
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*-A. whereas policy-makers need to protect
citizens against the risk of unemployment,
by ensuring that the workforce has the
suitable skills to maximise its
employability,*

Or. en

Amendment 15
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*-Aa. whereas advances in new
technologies and changes in the structure
of the European economies have made it
indispensable for individuals to update
and ameliorate their skills during their
working life,*

Or. en

Amendment 16
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas global unemployment **currently affects** 23.1 million people; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4% and long term unemployment continues to increase,

Amendment

A. whereas ***the failure to meet the Lisbon strategy targets and the global economic crisis have raised*** unemployment to ***emergency levels in Europe, with*** 23.1 million people ***currently out of work***; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4% and long term unemployment continues to increase, ***with increasingly severe social repercussions***,

Or. it

Amendment 17

Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas ***global*** unemployment currently ***affects 23.1*** million people; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4% ***and long term unemployment continues to increase***,

Amendment

A. whereas ***the*** unemployment ***rate in the European Union*** currently ***stands at 9.5%, which represents 22.828*** million people ***in total, of whom 19.4% are long-term unemployed***; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4%, ***reaching as much as 40% in some Member States***,

Or. pt

Amendment 18

Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas ***global*** unemployment currently

Amendment

A. whereas unemployment ***in the EU-27***

affects 23.1 million people; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4% and long term unemployment continues to increase,

currently affects 23.1 million people, ***according to recent EUROSTAT figures***; whereas youth unemployment stands at 20.4% and long term unemployment continues to increase,

Or. en

Amendment 19
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas SMEs have shed more than 3.5 million jobs as a result of the economic crisis; whereas SMEs are one of the factors most conducive to economic growth, job creation and the promotion of cohesion,

Or. It

Amendment 20
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas SMEs will play a significant role in achieving a 75 % employment rate by 2020 and the goal of full employment,

Or. It

Amendment 21
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas the economic recession of 2008 affected both skill demand and supply in the employment sector, thus increasing dramatically the uncertainty about job prospects and fostering the need for people to be better informed about employment prospects of the labour market,

Or. en

Amendment 22
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas the promotion of a social, resource-efficient, ecological and competitive economy is one of the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy,

Or. en

Amendment 23
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas austerity measures being pursued in a number of Member States have coincided with, and are partly responsible for, very significant increases in unemployment,

Amendment 24
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the service sector, ***such as sales, security, cleaning, catering and caring***, is still expected to provide most job growth between now and 2020 and could be the fastest growing area,

Amendment

C. whereas the service sector, ***often characterised by low quality jobs and highly feminised***, is still expected to provide most job growth between now and 2020 and could be the fastest growing area; ***whereas work in the services sector is characterised by high turnover both as regards workplaces and staff; whereas the sector needs to ensure better working conditions so that both workers and employers can profit from further job creation and maintenance***,

Amendment 25
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the service sector, such as sales, security, cleaning, catering ***and*** caring, is still expected to provide ***most*** job growth between now and 2020 and could be the fastest growing area,

Amendment

C. whereas the service sector, such as sales, security, cleaning, catering, caring ***and personal services***, is still expected to provide ***substantial*** job growth between now and 2020 and could be the fastest growing area,

Amendment 26
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas business and other services, including banking and finance, are expected to project slower job growth,

Or. en

Amendment 27
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the agrifood sector is regaining global importance requiring different and higher level skills but strongly reducing low skilled jobs,

Or. en

Amendment 28
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital C b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cb. whereas achieving sustainable growth and the transition to low carbon economy, environment protection and development of new green technologies will require availability of appropriate skills,

Or. en

Amendment 29
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas ***changing employment*** patterns in sectors naturally influence the employment patterns ***for*** occupations and ***the*** qualification levels ***required***,

Amendment

D. whereas ***technological change and new*** patterns ***of work organisation*** in sectors naturally influence the employment patterns ***in terms of skills needs in*** occupations and qualification levels,

Or. en

Amendment 30
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Da. whereas chronically high unemployment rates represent an unacceptable loss of human capital, which is the most important asset of Europe,

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 31
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Da. whereas economies increasingly demand creative, interactive, communication and problem-solving

Amendment

skills in the workplace while low-skilled jobs or workers performing routine functions are at major risk of loss of employment,

Or. en

Amendment 32
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at major risk of loss of employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at major risk of loss of employment *unless they are made the focus of an effective continuing training and vocational and technical retraining strategy that enables them to keep pace with market requirements,*

Or. it

Amendment 33
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with *undergraduate education* are at major risk of *loss of* employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers *from vulnerable groups (e.g. low-skilled, younger and older, disabled people, as well as workers with minority and migrant background)* are at major risk of *losing their* employment *and of having serious difficulties in finding a job,*

Or. en

Amendment 34
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at **major** risk of loss of employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at **greater** risk of loss of employment, **and in any case such jobs are accompanied by a high rate of seasonality and precarious conditions,**

Or. es

Amendment 35
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at major risk of loss of employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at major risk of loss of employment **and, at the same time, many young people choose to stay longer in education and training, as a result of the recession;**

Or. en

Amendment 36
Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education are at major risk of loss of employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers with undergraduate education **or who have disabilities** are at major risk of loss of employment,

Amendment 37
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas workers with ***undergraduate*** education are at major risk of loss of employment,

Amendment

E. whereas workers with ***low level of*** education ***and skills*** are at major risk of loss of employment,

Or. en

Amendment 38
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ea. whereas in-work poverty is persistent and working poor are increasing due to the deterioration of working conditions and low wages,

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 39
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the long term ***sustainability*** of training and higher education depends on various things, such as ***the state of public***

Amendment

F. whereas the long term ***effectiveness*** of training and higher education depends on various things, such as ***guaranteeing high quality in education, equal opportunities***

finances and individual perceptions,

and *access for all, sustained public investment, as well as better articulation of individual and labour market needs,*

Or. en

Amendment 40

Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state of public finances and individual perceptions,

Amendment

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state of public finances and individual perceptions ***and an education and training environment which, from the physical and ICT perspective, are barrier-free,***

Or. hu

Amendment 41

Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state of public finances ***and*** individual perceptions,

Amendment

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state of public finances, individual perceptions ***and the availability of care services, particularly child-care and dependent persons care,***

Or. en

Amendment 42
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state of public finances and individual perceptions,

Amendment

F. whereas the long term sustainability of training and higher education depends on various things, such as the state ***and efficient management*** of public finances and individual perceptions,

Or. en

Amendment 43
Zigmantas Balčytis

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas the EU has undertaken to improve education levels, to reduce the school drop-out rate to less than 10 % by 2020 and to increase the rate of completion of tertiary or equivalent education to at least 40 %,

Or. lt

Amendment 44
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas the demand and supply for lifelong learning will have to increase to foster the changing skill needs, and whereas the long term sustainability of

vocational training and higher education systems depend on the existence of a more flexible provision by responsive and quality assured training and education providers, the availability of qualified teachers and trainers, sustained public investment and increased private contributions, as well as a better articulation of individual and labour market needs,

Or. en

Amendment 45
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher qualifications is expected to rise,

Amendment

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher qualifications is expected to rise ***and additional new sustainable qualifications will be needed for all skill segments,***

Or. en

Amendment 46
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher qualifications is expected to rise,

Amendment

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher qualifications is expected to rise ***and 50% of jobs in 2020 will still require intermediate vocational skills,***

Or. en

Amendment 47
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher qualifications is expected to rise,

Amendment

G. whereas the number of jobs demanding higher ***technical and scientific*** qualifications is expected to rise,

Or. it

Amendment 48
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

Amendment

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply, ***in particular in those Member States whose population is declining rapidly and where the ‘brain drain’ and exodus of specialists are getting out of hand,***

Or. It

Amendment 49
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will **increasingly** influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

Amendment

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply; ***whereas the competences and skills of workers with a migration background and of migrant workers are neither properly recognised nor exploited to the full at the workplace, since a disproportionately high number of such workers are employed in jobs for which they are greatly over-qualified,***

Or. de

Amendment 50
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and **has** important implications for skill demand and supply,

Amendment

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and ***whereas integration policies which favour access to education, training and employment for the immigrant population will therefore have important implications for skill demand and supply and for boosting employment on Community territory,***

Or. es

Amendment 51
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, **as well as into and out of, the EU**, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

Amendment

H. whereas **EU demographic trends, mobility and** migration, within **the EU** and **with the Neighbourhood countries**, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

Or. en

Amendment 52

Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, **as well as into and out of, the EU**, will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States **and has important** implications for skill demand and supply,

Amendment

H. whereas migration **patterns** will increasingly influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States, **giving rise to strong competition between less-qualified workers, with grave** implications for skill demand and supply **patterns within the internal market,**

Or. it

Amendment 53

Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly

Amendment

H. whereas migration, within, as well as into and out of, the EU, will increasingly

influence the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

influence, *in many ways*, the future size and composition of the working population in Member States and has important implications for skill demand and supply,

Or. en

Amendment 54
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas mobile and migrant workers continue to be discriminated and are often exploited due to the lack of knowledge of their labour and social rights, their lack of involvement in workers' associations and the lack of effective integration policies,

Or. en

Amendment 55
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

I. whereas *a sustainable* economy has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of the European economy,

I. whereas *an innovative and dynamic* economy has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of the European economy,

Or. en

Amendment 56
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas a sustainable economy has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of the *European economy*,

Amendment

I. whereas a sustainable economy has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of *economies across the EU*,

Or. en

Amendment 57

Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas a sustainable *economy* has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of the European economy,

Amendment

I. whereas a sustainable *economic growth* has the potential to increase the number of decent jobs and to contribute to recovery of the European economy,

Or. en

Amendment 58

Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution

Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas austerity measures are having a negative impact on public investment, limiting the potential for job creation in Member States,

Or. en

Amendment 59
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the EU still invests less *in research and education* than its world economic partners and competitors; whereas major investments are needed in the know-how economy,

Amendment

J. whereas the EU still invests less than its world economic partners and competitors, *in research, innovation and education, which are cornerstones for growth and improvement of living standards*; whereas major investments are needed in the know-how economy,

Or. en

Amendment 60
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the EU still invests less in research and education than its world economic partners and competitors; whereas major investments are needed in the know-how economy,

Amendment

J. whereas the EU still invests less in research and education than its world economic partners and competitors; whereas major investments are needed in the know-how economy, *in technical training and in upgrading vocational training*,

Or. it

Amendment 61
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. whereas the European Commission with the New Skills and Jobs communication has missed the opportunity to address the potential of a new sustainable economy and the specific need to develop green skills in order to allow workers to profit from this potential; whereas the European Parliament and the European Council have repeatedly stressed the opportunities of a transition to a more sustainable economy for employment in Europe; whereas the recent study by CEDEFOP provides ample evidence of the importance and the need of new skills for green jobs in the future European labour market,

Or. en

Amendment 62

Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution

Recital J b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jb. whereas gender gaps still remain in EU labour markets, including gender pay gap, gaps in part-time versus full time rates, gaps in employment rates, gap regarding the effect of parenthood on employment rates, gender pension gaps; whereas gender roles and labour market segregation in employment are a major obstacle to the functioning of EU labour market; whereas a new sustainable economy will take shape in an ageing society with a shrinking workforce, making it necessary to attract more women to perform paid labour by adapting work organisation and

preparing employers in all sectors for a more diverse workforce,

Or. en

Amendment 63
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital J c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jc. whereas targeted and adapted up-skilling is essential to help people acquire new skills so that they can profit from the transition towards a more sustainable economy; whereas there are convincing economic arguments for up-skilling, labour market integration and social inclusion; whereas reducing investment in up-skilling will create a negative long-term impact,

Or. en

Amendment 64
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Recital J d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jd. whereas the proliferation of atypical employment contracts in most Member States has tended to aggravate labour market segmentation and to reduce the security of the most vulnerable; whereas there is a need for enhancing decent work and quality employment when investing in new jobs,

Or. en

Amendment 65
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. whereas gender gaps still remains in EU labour markets, including gender pay gap, gaps in part-time versus full time rates, gaps in employment rates, gap in the effect on employment rates due to parenthood, gender pension gaps; whereas gender roles and labour market segregation in employment are a major obstacle to the functioning of EU labour market,

Or. en

Amendment 66
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. whereas recent research demonstrates that increased flexibility has the effect of generally reducing the status of employees, who are more often not employed permanently but temporarily, not employed full-time but part-time, and more frequently turn to involuntary self-employment; whereas new research based on OECD data shows that the more flexible employment is, the more it is precarious and that employment flexibility has the strongest negative effect on ‘employability’ (improving the skills and qualifications of employees),

Amendment 67

Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution

Recital J b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jb. whereas the increase in atypical forms of employment caused by increased flexibility disqualifies an increasing number of employees from social benefits, as eligibility for social benefits depends on an employee's employment status; whereas increased flexibility thus also endangers the financial sustainability of social security systems,

Amendment 68

Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution

Recital J c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jc. whereas numerous studies on working conditions by the Dublin Foundation demonstrate that flexible working time schemes are accompanied by an increase in irregular and unpredictable working hours, resulting in ongoing classic workplace-related health problems in combination with new ones related to greater stress at work resulting from a new work organisation designed to meet short-term market fluctuations; whereas recent research also shows that most flexible working time schemes in place in Europe do not enable employees better to reconcile employment and their private

life,

Or. pt

Amendment 69
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Recital J d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jd. whereas women are in a disadvantaged position in the labour market and are disproportionately represented in part-time work and in new, often precarious, forms of working arrangements, facing obstacles in seeking access to full social rights, social protection and benefits,

Or. pt

Amendment 70
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Recital J e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Je. whereas high unemployment and labour market segmentation need to be overcome by giving all workers equal rights, phasing out all forms of precarious employment, and investing in the creation of permanent jobs and lifelong learning,

Or. pt

Amendment 71
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Recital J f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Jf. whereas the flexicurity approach adopted by the Commission is to be rejected as totally unbalanced, because flexibility is not matched by increased social security; whereas the Commission simply promotes the deregulation of job protection and more flexible employment contracts and proposes no effective measures to combat precarious employment, while maintaining policies that reduce the social security and the rights of workers and the unemployed (less 'generous' unemployment and social benefits to 'activate the unemployed', a 'balance of rights and obligations', reducing rights, and strengthening obligations),

Or. pt

Amendment 72
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. whereas gender gaps still remain in EU labour markets, including gender pay gap, gaps in part-time versus full time rates, gaps in employment rates, gap in the effect on employment rates due to parenthood, gender pension gaps; whereas gender roles and labour market segregation in employment are a major obstacle to the functioning of EU labour market,

Or. en

Amendment 73
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1. Regrets that the Commission Communication 'New Skills and Jobs' does not deliver on its promises but simply tries to regroup old solutions in a new format; regrets that the Communication does not address the job creation potential of the Green Economy, ignores the urgent challenges related to precarious work, unemployment and poverty and does not cover the gender dimension; calls on the European Commission to make a fresh and powerful effort to finally deliver on the key challenges of a Social Europe such as addressing inequalities, the risk of exclusion and poverty and a true improvement of working and living conditions; stresses that economic governance needs to go hand in hand with sound employment and social policies, installing minimum standards for workers across the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; calls on all

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020 ***and are requested***

stakeholders to *intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success*;

to address barriers to women's participation in the labour-market when implementing the Strategy[1]; calls on all stakeholders to *implement the inclusion priority of the Europe 2020 Strategy and the integrated guidelines 7 to 10, involving civil society stakeholders in the drafting, delivery, monitoring and evaluation of the National Reform Programmes*; *stresses that most National Reform Programmes fall short of meeting both the employment and the poverty target*;

[1] See paragraph 5 of the Council Conclusions on the European Pact for Gender Equality for the period 2011-2020,

Or. en

Amendment 75
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success;

Amendment

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020, *a goal inextricably linked to the defence of Europe's social model, economic growth and the viability of its social security systems and public finances*; calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success;

Or. el

Amendment 76
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success;

Amendment

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; ***recalls that, one of the five headline targets of the Europe 2020 strategy is to reduce the early school leaving rate to 10%; underlines that a drastic reduction of the youth unemployment rate is a precondition to reach the employment target;*** calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success;

Amendment

1. Recalls that, within the Europe 2020 strategy, Member States agreed on an employment target of 75% for the 20-64 years age group by 2020; calls on all stakeholders to intensify their efforts to make the Europe 2020 strategy a success; ***calls, however, on the Member States to ensure that such employment takes place in civilised, high-quality conditions;***

Or. fr

Amendment 78
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Regrets that the Commission has ignored the European Parliament's and European Council's conclusions on the potential of a new sustainable economy as well as the CEDEFOP analysis of the need for new skills for green jobs in the future; calls on the Commission to remedy this shortcoming by presenting a more integrated approach to new green skills in the planned communication on jobs in the new sustainable economy; calls on the European Commission to ensure that the environmental experts within the Commission are fully involved in this process;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Recalls the existence of major obstacles, hampering the effective implementation of employment policy; considers that these difficulties, which include among others the insufficient skill levels of many workers today, the low rankings in education levels in some European countries, compared to international rates and the spread of precarious employment which gives no incentive for skill development, need to be combated effectively;

Amendment 80
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Stresses the importance of reforms leading to more flexible labour markets in order to foster greater competitiveness, boost productivity, create new jobs and combat structural unemployment;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies together with broad economic policy guidelines;

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance, ***particularly high levels of economic growth***; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies together with broad economic policy guidelines;

Or. en

Amendment 82
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States **follow** the guidelines for employment policies **together with broad economic policy guidelines**;

Amendment

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States **bring broad economic policy guidelines into line with** the guidelines for employment policies;

Or. it

Amendment 83
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Points out that the employment rate **is closely linked to** economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies **together** with broad economic policy guidelines;

Amendment

2. Points out that the employment rate **and** economic performance **are mutually reinforcing**; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies **jointly** with broad economic policy guidelines **in order to promote the creation of quality employment**;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the **guidelines for** employment policies together with **broad**

Amendment

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the **EU 2020 Integrated Guidelines aiming at coordinating**

economic policy guidelines;

employment policies together with **broader** economic policy guidelines **and by focusing on quality employment**;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies **together** with broad economic policy guidelines;

Amendment

2. Points out that the employment rate is closely linked to economic performance; strongly recommends that the Member States follow the guidelines for employment policies, **accompanying them** with broad economic policy guidelines;

Or. fr

Amendment 86
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Stresses that Member States are still in charge of key elements of social policy such as taxes, social welfare programmes, some labour regulation, healthcare and education; considers it essential that social policies respond to national, regional and local circumstances and particularly conditions in individual Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 88
Patrick Le Hyaric, Ilda Figueiredo, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 89
Jutta Steinruck, Evelyn Regner, Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance, ***but emphasises that budgetary discipline should not lead exclusively to the abolition of social rights; emphasises that measures designed to achieve savings, such as reductions in funding for education and an active labour market policy and job cuts, could be detrimental to young people in particular; stresses, further, that a policy geared exclusively to austerity is not suited to addressing the problem of the shortage of skilled workers in Europe or maintaining economic performance;***

Or. de

Amendment 90
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies ***between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion***; urges Member States to ***respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance***;

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination ***and the promotion of sustainable development of*** economic policies; urges Member States ***and the EU to deliver on the social impact assessments as required in Art. 9 TFEU across all relevant policy fields and to take the social costs of rigid budgetary discipline and austerity measures into consideration, which risk jeopardising the***

*necessary investments in skills
development and new quality jobs;*

Or. en

Amendment 91
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; ***urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and*** calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to ***foster growth and job creation and to*** avoid unfair competition and market distortion ***and increasing gender inequalities;*** calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance, ***while allowing at the same time public investment increases in line with the EU's growth and employment objectives and 2020 strategy within the respective national reform program;***

Or. en

Amendment 92
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States, ***taking into account the regional inequalities across Europe regarding employment and unemployment rates,*** in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in

surveillance;

order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for *a better coordination of* economic policies *between* Member States *in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion*; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

Amendment

3. Calls for *effective competition based on the* economic policies *of* Member States; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit *and calls on the Commission for an effective budgetary surveillance*;

Amendment

3. Calls for a better coordination of economic policies between Member States in order to avoid unfair competition and market distortion; urges Member States to respect the rules on budgetary discipline in order to diminish the risk of falling into excessive deficit;

Amendment 95
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable economy;

Amendment

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable economy ***and urgently awaits action from the European Commission to deliver on the employment side of promoting the flagship initiative of a more sustainable economy; points out that the European Commission's performance regarding this flagship initiative can only be assessed by taking the employment perspective into account;***

Amendment 96
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable economy;

Amendment

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable economy ***and points out that environmental protection and the development of new green technologies will require a significant adjustment of training programmes to adapt the skills and qualifications of the labour supply and thereby generate important niches for job creation in these sectors;***

Amendment 97
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to ***make the change towards a sustainable economy***;

Amendment

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy ***as a suggestive framework to promote competition and employment***;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable economy;

Amendment

4. Supports the Commission's flagship initiative within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable, ***smarter, greener and inclusive*** economy;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the Commission's flagship ***initiative*** within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a sustainable

Amendment

4. Supports the Commission's flagship ***initiatives*** within the Europe 2020 strategy to make the change towards a ***smart***,

economy;

sustainable *and inclusive growth*
economy;

Or. en

Amendment 100
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the *combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls* for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to *maximise* the *competitiveness* of the *European* economy, *minimise* the *loss of human capital* and *create new job possibilities*;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the *recent economic and labour market developments call* for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to *improve* the *working and living conditions in the EU, create new decent work, universal access to lifelong learning, qualification and skills, upgrading or re-skilling and effective combating of discrimination on the labour market; stresses that targeted and adapted up-skilling is essential to help people acquire the necessary skills to profit from the transition towards a more sustainable* economy; *stresses* the *economic arguments for up-skilling, labour market integration and social inclusion*;

Or. en

Amendment 101
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better

employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities; ***recalls that training and improving human capital also have non-economic advantages for the individual, such as improved health and well-being, longer life expectancy and greater likelihood of taking part in the life of society;***

Or. da

Amendment 102
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities; ***underlines the importance of boosting the attractiveness of jobs and careers to young workers, otherwise many industries will face the demographic risk jeopardizing their future;***

Or. en

Amendment 103
Ria Oomen-Ruijten

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities; ***stresses that an older labour force and longer working lives can make a positive contribution to the recovery and future growth; emphasises, therefore, the importance of lifelong learning, in particular for older workers who perform physically and/or mentally demanding tasks;***

Or. nl

Amendment 104
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls ***that the combination*** of demographic ***change*** and changes ***in production chains calls*** for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls ***actions to tackle the influence*** of demographic ***trends, migration*** and ***technological*** changes for better employment, education and work organisation strategies ***including care services and measures to enable both women and men to reconcile work and family life*** in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Or. en

Amendment 105
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities; ***takes the view, in that connection, that particular importance should be attached to the concept of lifelong learning for all age groups;***

Or. de

Amendment 106
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. ***Recalls*** that the ***combination*** of demographic change and ***changes in production chains calls*** for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. ***Stresses*** that ***in the light of the current crisis and taken into account future challenges such as*** demographic change and ***the greening of the economy, there is a need*** for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Or. en

Amendment 107

Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation, ***health, disability and lifestyle*** strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Or. hu

Amendment 108

Zigmantas Balčytis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities; ***calls for priority to be given to the EU's employment and skills development policy;***

Or. It

Amendment 109

Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the **European economy**, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the **economies across the EU**, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change, **decreasing workforce** and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital, **better utilise the asset that older workers present** and create new job possibilities **for workers of all ages**;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital and create new job possibilities;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the combination of demographic change, **decreasing workforce** and changes in production chains calls for better employment, education and work organisation strategies in order to maximise the competitiveness of the European economy, minimise the loss of human capital, **better utilise the asset that older workers present** and create new job possibilities **for workers of all ages**;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

5a. Emphasises that migrant workers, while strongly contributing to our productivity and economic growth, are particularly vulnerable and require special attention in terms of decent working and living conditions as well as access to social and health services, education and training; welcomes with regard to this the agenda's key action 7 announcing the launch of a New Agenda for Integration of third country nationals, aiming, inter alia, at the mainstreaming of integration priorities of the Member States in all relevant policy areas;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Emphasises the need to go on the offensive for 'smart' growth, by raising investment in education and training, enabling Europe to become a major science centre of the world, at the leading edge of creative work, combining full employment and strong welfare, as well as sustainable production and lifestyles;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Stresses that it is more important than ever to continue investing in skills upgrading and especially skills matching; emphasizes in this respect the need for a stronger and more active cooperation between universities or research centres on the one hand and enterprises and employers on the other hand;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5b. Considers that in order to ensure

employability of the workforce, more comprehensive life-long learning strategies need to be put in place and Vocational Education and Training systems (VET) need to be tuned to the rapidly changing needs of the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be *strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems*; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be *rebalanced by adapting social security schemes that enhance active inclusion by guaranteeing an individually granted, poverty-proven minimum income, access to decent work and to affordable quality services of general interest; considers that adequate social protection is a prerequisite for:*

- a sustainable social market economy,*
- an integrative and flexible labour market,*
- enabling people to alternate in a more flexible way between periods of employment and unemployment, training and re-skilling,*
- enabling business to adapt to new demands;*

warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. en

Amendment 117
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. **Stresses** that *national* flexicurity arrangements **must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;**

Amendment

6. **Takes the view** that flexicurity *strategies are not an appropriate means by which to combat precarious employment and reduce unemployment; emphasises that high levels of employment protection and job protection are based on the fundamental right of workers to be protected against unfair dismissal; stresses that job protection and employment protection must also be maintained as useful tools for an overall policy of anticipating change and promoting stability and continuity of employment;*

Or. pt

Amendment 118
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements **must be strengthened** and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that **flexicurity is only one of the possible instruments to modernise labour markets and that its feasibility in different Member States still has to be assessed; believes that** national flexicurity arrangements **could be considered where applicable** and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions; **calls on the Member States to accompany their labour market reforms with strengthening social protection and unemployment**

Amendment 119
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, ***fair pay for work performed, efficient training accessible to all, training schemes*** and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment 120
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be ***strengthened and adapted*** to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be ***reviewed in order to strengthen them in*** the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure ***that*** a flexible and active labour market ***is built on the basis of*** efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-

size-fits-all solutions;

Or. it

Amendment 121
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; **warns against** one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; **stresses that flexicurity should not be perceived as a** one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the **new socio-economic contexts** of each individual Member State, **in accordance with its specific needs**, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; **warns against** one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the **specific needs** of each individual Member State, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; **warns against** one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. da

Amendment 123
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be ***maintained***, strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible ***and*** active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible, active ***and inclusive*** labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. pt

Amendment 125
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Amendment

6. Stresses that national flexicurity arrangements must be strengthened and adapted to the new socio-economic contexts of each individual Member State, in accordance with its specific needs, in order to ensure a flexible and active labour market, **social inclusion**, efficient training and secure social security systems; warns against one-size-fits-all solutions;

Or. en

Amendment 126
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Recognizes the impact of low wage sectors such as temporary work, construction and industrial cleaning, presenting important opportunities for low skilled job seekers;

Or. en

Amendment 127
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Takes the view that the necessary promotion of quality jobs as the basis for EU competitiveness must go hand-in-

hand with stable, dignified working conditions for all; is therefore extremely concerned at the growing number of non-standard and insecure contracts, against which a strong and targeted system of protection must be built;

Or. it

Amendment 128
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Believes that flexicurity is not applicable in Member States with low possibilities of strengthening social protection systems due to budget restrictions and macroeconomic imbalances and that perverted discourse on labour market rigidities will lead to labour reforms directed towards the wrong targets; believes that it will not tackle the unemployment caused by structural problems mainly related to failed industrial policies and economic bubbles; underlines that flexicurity has always to be combined with the creation of quality employment;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Emphasises the necessity of a

European legislative framework on decent work and precariousness, strengthening workers protection and workers rights;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6c. Considers that state funded pension systems must be strengthened to ensure adequate and sustainable pensions for those with gaps in pension-saving contributions, by effectively fighting exclusion and discrimination in the labour markets, including the proliferation of precarious and atypical work by means of new European legislation, and by creating new high quality jobs while raising the employment rates; strongly believes that fair pension systems should also include decent minimum pension levels in all Member States as a matter of national solidarity, an essential factor in the fight against poverty and exclusion;

Or. en

Amendment 131
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Stresses the importance of informal and skills learning through strengthening

of intergenerational cooperation, when young people can acquire new skills through teaching by experienced older workers;

Or. en

Amendment 132
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; ***calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;***

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task;

Or. en

Amendment 133
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task, ***which mainly hinders women from equal participation in the labour market;*** calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes; ***encourages Member States to work***

towards a fair share of unpaid work between women and men by ensuring paid parental leave measures and the development of paid leave for care responsibilities; calls on the Commission to complement the existing legal framework on work/life balance, including provisions on paternity leave and leave for dependants other than children; calls on the Council to approve the draft legislative proposal regarding pregnant workers[1] (Maternity directive),

[1] European Parliament legislative resolution of 20 October 2010 on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 92/85/EEC on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health at work of pregnant workers and workers who have recently given birth or are breastfeeding, P7_TA(2010)0373

Or. en

Amendment 134
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes; *encourages a fair share of unpaid work between women and men by ensuring paid parental leave measures and the development of paid leave for care responsibilities; calls on the Commission to complement the existing legal*

framework on work/life balance, including provisions on paternity leave and leave for dependants other than children, calls on the Council to approve the draft legislative proposal regarding pregnant workers (Maternity directive);

Or. en

Amendment 135
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give **all** parents, **especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;**

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give **financial support to** parents **wishing to take care of their children, especially in the case of disadvantaged or disabled people, by means of appropriate allowances and/or the opportunity of leave for family reasons;**

Or. fr

Amendment 136
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers, **especially women and single parents,** the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families,

working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Or. bg

Amendment 137
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States ***to encourage businesses to adopt organisational approaches that are compatible with parental responsibilities***, to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes, ***which are a key means of combating poverty and social exclusion***;

Or. It

Amendment 138
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning

processes;

processes, *for instance, by sponsoring paid training and making it compatible with family responsibilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 139
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes; *stresses, as a prerequisite, that childcare structures should be made more effective at national level by increasing access to them;*

Or. el

Amendment 140
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes;

Amendment

7. Regrets that for many workers the reconciliation of work and family life remains a difficult task; calls on the Member States to give all parents, especially single-parent families, opportunities for integration not only into working life but also into lifelong learning processes, *furthermore calls on Member*

States to put in place policies and programmes to support family carers;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Regrets that the Commission ignores the urgent need to overcome the shortcomings in European labour law which lead to a continuous violation of the principle of equal pay for equal work at the same workplace; deplores that instead of strengthening the equal pay principle both in relation to free movement of workers and to gender inequality, the Commission introduces a new concept of inequalities with its proposal for a 'single open-ended contracts' that would give young workers considerable less rights at the beginning of their working career; stresses that research indicates clearly that reducing rights does not help job creation but that a stable set of rights is a pre-requisite for flexible labour markets;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Draws attention to the fact that labour

market reforms are not a goal by itself and that reforms which have not been agreed by social partners have proved to be ineffective and have not helped to increase job creation; calls on the Commission to strengthen social dialogue and to involve social partners in the European Semester process;

Or. en

Amendment 143
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7b. Calls for enhancing the external dimension of EU policies in employment and education and training in neighbouring countries and beyond in order to support stability, prosperity, and better employment opportunities for its partner countries citizens, while developing better instruments for managing and facilitating skilled migration to Europe to balance skill shortages and gaps that are the result of demographic developments in Europe; stresses that this has to be done by guaranteeing at the same time that all third country nationals legally working in Europe enjoy equal treatment with European citizens and residents, in the workplace and beyond, also taking account of the situation of migrant women to avoid precarious and non decent forms of employment, multiple discrimination and violence at work;

Or. en

Amendment 144
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Believes that the biggest problems in the EU concern the remaining high level of unemployment, the growth of precarious forms of employment, the erosion of workers' rights and social protection and the supply of skilled and competent workers; stresses that priority should be given to the creation of an inclusive labour market by promoting the quality of jobs and the 'Decent Work Agenda', raising educational levels and expanding training and retraining programmes, ensuring greater equality between men and women and improving the integration into the labour market of women, migrants, older or younger workers and other disadvantaged groups;

Or. pt

Amendment 145
Tiziano Motti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Considers it advisable to promote an environment conducive to teleworking wherever such arrangements can foster an appropriate work-life balance;

Or. it

Amendment 146
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network to improve **transparency** for jobseekers;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network **in order** to improve **services for mobile workers and jobseekers; stresses that EURES has a key role in advising mobile workers and jobseekers as regards their rights and that this helps to deliver on a true internal market; underlines the important role of social partners regarding advice for workers in cross-border partnerships; stresses that EURES as a best practice for promoting fair mobility needs to be given the necessary resources to answer to the challenges of the European Labour Market and also in future support the important work of social partners in border regions;**

Or. en

Amendment 147
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network to improve transparency for jobseekers;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network to improve transparency for jobseekers **and to promote job mobility in the EU;**

Or. en

Amendment 148
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network to improve transparency for jobseekers;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the Commission's initiative to produce an EU Skills Panorama and to reform the European Employment Services EURES network to improve transparency **and access** for jobseekers;

Or. en

Amendment 149
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Recalls that the Commission estimates that by 2020 35 % of all jobs will require high-level qualifications compared to 29% today;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Emphasises the need for lifelong learning, and points out that the proportion of people in further education must be substantially increased in the

long term, so that highly qualified people can find and perform suitable jobs into old age;

Or. de

Amendment 151
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Amendment

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps, *contributing significantly to promoting the interests of the economy and society as a whole, especially considering the critical challenge of attaining full employment, poverty eradication, social inclusion and sustained economic growth in the global economy;*

Or. en

Amendment 152
Jutta Steinruck, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings

Amendment

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings

into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; ***emphasises that young people in particular must be kept informed at all times about labour market trends so that they can concentrate on developing skills which are actually needed***; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Or. de

Amendment 153
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Amendment

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies ***as well as budgetary policy*** of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business, ***social partners, associations*** and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Or. en

Amendment 154
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into **education and** the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be a useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Amendment

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be a useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Or. da

Amendment 155
Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls for better monitoring of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be a useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Amendment

9. Calls for better monitoring **in each professional sector and according to qualification level** of the upcoming skill demand in Europe and for an immediate transposition of the findings into education and the lifelong learning policies of the Member States; considers that a ‘knowledge alliance’ that brings together business and education institutions would be an useful instrument in addressing innovation and skills gaps;

Or. fr

Amendment 156
Birgit Sippel, Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Emphasises the importance of a high-quality State education system which guarantees everyone free, equal access;

Or. de

Amendment 157
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Believes that is vital to create environment for close cooperation between research institutes and industry and to encourage and support industrial companies to invest in research and development;

Or. en

Amendment 158
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Considers it essential to substantially boost investment in education, research and innovation, and accordingly takes the view that, in order to encourage Member States to move in this direction, special consideration should be given to public spending on education, research and innovation when Member States' medium-term budget objectives are assessed;

Or. it

Amendment 159
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls on the Commission to incorporate a ninth key competence relating to the environment, climate change and sustainable development – which is essential in a knowledge society – into the framework for lifelong learning;

Or. en

Amendment 160
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls for greater use to be made of continuous vocational training in the Member States with a view to upgrading the skills of the workforce;

Or. da

Amendment 161
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Stresses the utmost importance of effective cooperation between public employment services, education and training providers and the social partners in order correctly to determine training requirements and improve education and training, with a view to facilitating access to and participation in lifelong learning;

Or. el

**Amendment 162
Konstantinos Poupakis**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 β (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Stresses the importance of increasing participation in lifelong learning, in particular in vocational education and training, by providing incentives for both employees and employers, with particular focus on SMEs, as part of a socially effective response to corporate restructuring with a shift to sustainable development, the creation of a skilled workforce, combating unemployment and strengthening competitiveness;

Or. el

**Amendment 163
Elisabeth Schroedter**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10**

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties ***and to develop a coherent, holistic, long term approach to early childhood education and care as proposed in the relevant Commission's Communication[1]***

[1] European Commission Early Childhood Education and Care: Providing all children with the best start for the world of tomorrow, COM(2011)66

Or. en

Amendment 164
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the ***number*** of early school-leavers ***still remains*** high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the ***proportion*** of early school-leavers ***is too high in the EU at 14.4%; points out that a reduction of only 1% in the number of early school-leavers could bring some 500 000 potential workers on to the labour market; calls on the Member States to implement consistently the measures set out in the national action plans;*** calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Or. de

Amendment 165
Jutta Steinruck, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; ***emphasises the importance of education and vocational training geared to the needs of a modern, competitive, inclusive and sustainable society***; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Or. de

Amendment 166
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high, ***despite the fact that early education provides a sound base for developing not only the future functional skills of people, but also their capacity to learn, to specialise and to develop further***; calls, ***therefore***, on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Or. en

Amendment 167
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving **and** to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies **designed to provide a high-quality, modern education system**, to prevent early school leaving, to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties, **to foster pupils' socialisation and help them find jobs**, and **to optimise the network of schools in rural areas**;

Or. It

Amendment 168
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives **and retraining possibilities** to students with learning difficulties;

Or. fr

Amendment 169
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving, ***to remove all financial and social barriers to remaining in the education system*** and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Or. it

Amendment 170
Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving ***and*** to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement ***more effective*** policies to prevent early school leaving, to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties ***and to develop effective links between initial training and the world of business***;

Or. fr

Amendment 171
Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties;

Amendment

10. Regrets that the number of early school-leavers still remains high; calls on the Member States to implement policies to prevent early school leaving and to offer learning and training alternatives to students with learning difficulties ***or disabilities;***

Or. hu

Amendment 172
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Finds it regrettable that many people with disabilities who are capable of working are not integrated into the labour market, and calls on the Member States to implement policies that offer alternatives with regard to education, training and employment for people with disabilities;

Or. bg

Amendment 173
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Calls on the Member States to support publicly funded and properly regulated institutions of initial education, covering pre-primary, primary and secondary schools, vocational training

*and tertiary education, with well qualified
and well trained teaching and support
staff on good pay and conditions;*

Or. en

**Amendment 174
Rovana Plumb**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Emphasises that the Member States should further improve the education and training systems in order to better match the needs of the individual and those of the labour market, including by tackling the problems of basic skills (literacy and numeracy), promoting vocational education and training and measures to ease the transition between education and the labour market;

Or. en

**Amendment 175
Rovana Plumb**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10c. Calls on the European Commission and the Member States to promote access to education, training and lifelong learning for all, especially for people with identified special needs, such as youth, low-skilled people, people with disabilities, migrants, older workers, ethnic minority groups and the socially excluded, and for workers in small and medium-sized

enterprises, in the informal economy, in the rural sector and in self-employment;

Or. en

Amendment 176
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10d. Emphasises the importance of public education systems accessible to all and in line with the promotion of equal opportunities for all;

Or. en

Amendment 177
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10e. Emphasises the importance of developing a European network to support learning organisations, upskilling in companies and public service strategies for lifelong learning, including tailor-made methods, validation and compensation of the learning outcomes;

Or. en

Amendment 178
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs;

Amendment

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs; ***considers that, as the pace of economic restructuring increases, a skilled workforce, managerial expertise, innovation, science, technology and green jobs are all prerequisites for sustainable growth;***

Or. bg

Amendment 179
Jutta Steinruck, Birgit Sippel, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs;

Amendment

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs; ***emphasises that access to education must not be contingent on the social background or financial situation of a young person's parents;***

Or. de

Amendment 180
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal

Amendment

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal

to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs;

to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs; ***underlines that, especially in urban areas, regional and local authorities are the best positioned and most capable of creating the conditions necessary for the growth of clusters of innovative enterprises; points out that such clustering can act as a decisive spur to local economic development and can create new jobs in regions;***

Or. en

Amendment 181
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs;

Amendment

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs ***and to create opportunities for vocational further training for all age groups;***

Or. de

Amendment 182
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs;

Amendment

11. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to promote European centres of excellence within new academic specialisations for tomorrow's jobs ***and to improve the***

mobility of young people in this area;

Or. fr

Amendment 183
Zigmantas Balčytis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Calls on the Member States to invest in reforms of education and training systems with a view to adapting to the needs of a changing market, technological requirements and new approaches to the organisation of work;

Or. lt

Amendment 184
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies; ***considers it necessary to establish a clearly defined skill set, accessible to all groups and offering general competences, with appropriate courses of study; recommends that national qualifications frameworks be established;***

Or. bg

Amendment 185
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages Member States to integrate **ICT** competences, **digital literacy** and **transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship**, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

Amendment

12. Encourages Member States to integrate **transversal key competences for personal fulfilment and development, active citizenship and employment, creativity, cultural awareness and intercultural capacities, mobility, social and democratic competences**, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies; **stresses in this regard the importance of promoting and recognising both ‘hard’ and ‘soft’ skills to improve people’s employment opportunities**;

Or. en

Amendment 186
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, **digital literacy** and transversal key competences such as **communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship**, into **their vocational training and lifelong learning policies**;

Amendment

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, **communication in foreign languages** and transversal key competences such as **creativity and cultural understanding**, into **all levels of educational systems**;

Or. da

Amendment 187
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

Amendment

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship ***and intercultural learning and skills***, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

Or. en

Amendment 188
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

Amendment

12. Encourages Member States to integrate ICT competences, digital literacy and transversal key competences such as communication in foreign languages, as well as entrepreneurship ***and the accreditation of professional experience***, into their vocational training and lifelong learning policies;

Or. fr

Amendment 189
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Encourages Member States to develop environmental awareness and green skills through their education and training systems so as to facilitate transition into the low carbon economy;

Or. en

Amendment 190

Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Urges the Member States to develop training programmes for teachers that will provide them with a basis on which they can better adapt to changes on the labour market and develop the corresponding skills at all levels of education;

Or. pt

Amendment 191

Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to

deleted

the provision of new jobs;

Or. it

Amendment 192

Jutta Steinruck, Birgit Sippel, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs; ***emphasises the need to lay down minimum standards for traineeships as regards pay and social rights, in order to prevent the exploitation of trainees and guarantee them appropriate remuneration; calls for the introduction of a binding European quality framework for traineeships;***

Or. de

Amendment 193

Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement ***a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage***; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to ***develop and implement more approaches to blend education and training in schools and the workplace*** ; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of

traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

new jobs; ***underlines the necessity of decent conditions for internships and rules to prevent the abuse so that internships correspond to their objective and are not used to replace regular employment;***

Or. en

Amendment 194
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage ***and promote a quality framework for internships and apprenticeships leading as much as possible to stable employment;*** furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Or. en

Amendment 195
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the

earliest stage; **furthermore, calls on** relevant stakeholders to ensure **that** traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

earliest stage; **calls, furthermore on** relevant stakeholders to ensure **the quality of** traineeships and apprenticeships **which should be an educational experience and** lead to the provision of new jobs;

Or. en

Amendment 196
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs **or correspond to a need, identified upstream, for local job market opportunities;**

Or. fr

Amendment 197
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships **are fairly**

provision of new jobs;

paid and lead to the *acquisition of real skills and the* provision of new jobs;

Or. it

Amendment 198
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs *and do not entail the exploitation of young people;*

Or. bg

Amendment 199
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage, *to provide careers advice services and to facilitate labour market integration;* furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Or. It

Amendment 200
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that **all** traineeships and apprenticeships **are organised with full guarantees and rights and** lead to the provision of new jobs;

Or. es

Amendment 201
Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships lead to the provision of new jobs;

Amendment

13. Encourages Member States to implement a dual system of education/training in order to introduce young people to the labour market from the earliest stage; furthermore, calls on relevant stakeholders to ensure that traineeships and apprenticeships, **with the aid of supervision by professionalised tutors**, lead to the provision of new jobs;

Or. fr

Amendment 202
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Stresses the expected skills shortage in the field of informatics and engineering; calls for a specific EU initiative to attract girls to the MINT professions (mathematics, informatics, natural sciences and technology) and to combat the stereotypes that still dominate these professions; stresses that the role of the media and education is key in combating such stereotypes;

Or. en

Amendment 203
Licia Ronzulli, Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Draws attention to the importance of investing in the right skills and improving the EU's ability to match qualifications to jobs and accurately to forecast future trends so as to offer employment opportunities to all and create a more competitive and sustainable economy;

Or. it

Amendment 204
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to reinforce an evidence-based policy exchange on the transition from education and training to work and on learning mobility which contribute to the development of the skills and the employability of young people;

Or. en

Amendment 205

Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to help bring the worlds of work and education closer together so that training paths such as dual training can be designed that combine theoretical notions with practical experience, in order to equip young people with the requisite general skills and specific expertise; calls on the Commission and Member States also to invest in support of an awareness campaign on vocational education and training (VET) and technical and entrepreneurial studies, so that these career paths are no longer seen as a dead end, but as a chance to fill vacancies for people with technical qualifications, demand for which is markedly increasing, and to get the European economy back on track;

Or. it

Amendment 206
Jutta Steinruck, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary, ***on the basis of instruments such as EQR, ECVET and ECTS***, to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills ***obtained by means of formal, non-formal and informal learning*** at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries; ***makes it clear that mutual recognition must be granted within 12 months of the date on which the qualification was obtained;***

Or. de

Amendment 207
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to ***improve mutual recognition of*** competences, diplomas and skills ***at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;***

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary to ***make the requirements for*** competences, diplomas and skills ***more transparent as a basis for mutual recognition and the development of methods and instruments, e.g. in the form of common guidelines for mutual recognition which can facilitate, for the individual worker, the process leading to the recognition of training and competences acquired;***

Or. da

Amendment 208
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. **Considers it necessary to improve** mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. **Calls for an improvement in the** mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 209
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **with** the same recognition **being extended** to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **by developing the appropriate European frameworks, such as the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) and the European Credit system for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET), extending the** same recognition to **qualified** workers from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 210
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. **Considers it necessary to improve mutual** recognition of competences, diplomas and skills **at EU level**, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. **Urges the Commission, in the forthcoming legislative initiative on professional qualifications, to move towards a mechanism for the enhanced** recognition of competences, diplomas and skills **in the Member States, including skills acquired through informal and non-formal training**, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Or. pt

Amendment 211

Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary **to improve** mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills **at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to** workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary **closely to monitor patterns in** mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **in particular those of** workers from third countries, **so as to protect the users of services and maintain the quality standards required for the smooth operation of the internal market and competition mechanisms, including those with a bearing on the labour market;**

Or. it

Amendment 212

Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **also to improve the recognition of non-formal skills and learning methods e.g. those acquired at work and through volunteering activities** with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 213
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level **including those acquired in non-formal and informal education** with the same recognition being extended to workers from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 214
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **with** the

Amendment

14. Considers it necessary to improve mutual recognition of competences, diplomas and skills at EU level, **and**

same recognition *being extended* to workers from third countries;

extend the *mechanisms for* recognition to workers from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 215
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Considers it important to improve geographical mobility, eliminate legal and administrative barriers, coordinate the Member States' various security systems and promote the European Research Area;

Or. bg

Amendment 216
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Recommends that the Member States tap the potential of migration in a targeted way by ensuring better integration, putting in place a more flexible policy on the admission of migrants, and officially accrediting their abilities, qualifications, educational certificates, knowledge and skills;

Or. bg

Amendment 217
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14c. Calls on the Member States, as part of the supported employment model, to finance further training for people with physical and mental disabilities in their respective jobs;

Or. bg

Amendment 218
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on national statistics services to develop adequate indicators for measuring skills and the quality of the various levels of their education system;

Or. en

Amendment 219
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on the EU and Member States to further invest in socio-economic research and to develop more reliable systems for the anticipation of future skill needs and skill shortages, with the active

participation of social partners;

Or. en

Amendment 220
Licia Ronzulli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Draws attention to the need to step up cooperation between the research, education and innovation sectors and facilitate the pooling of experience and good practice;

Or. it

Amendment 221
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Takes the view that the External Action Services (EAS), particularly the EU delegations in third countries, could play an important role by providing information on the skills required in Europe and the jobs available, as well as assisting in the procedures necessary for coming to Europe;

Or. pt

Amendment 222
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Notes that as a result of demographic change there is a significant number of older potential volunteers which is a huge untapped resource in our communities; calls on the Commission to promote opportunities for older volunteers, and to develop a Seniors Action Programme for the increasing number of very experienced senior citizens who are willing to volunteer that might run in parallel with and complement the Youth in Action Programme, and furthermore to promote specific programmes for intergenerational volunteering and for mentoring;

Or. en

Amendment 223
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on the Member States to provide incentives, including tax breaks, for public and private undertakings to take on young people, pass on skills to them and nurture their entrepreneurial abilities; recommends that steps be taken to conserve and pass on to young people the highly valuable body of skills and know-how built up by the small and medium-sized craft enterprises operating in the internal market, which, if backed up by the latest technological innovations, can make the internal market more competitive and productive;

Amendment 224
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement; ***calls on the Member States to list the barriers to recruitment, to legislate only when strictly necessary and only following an impact study, and to avoid increasing the social and fiscal pressure on businesses;***

Amendment 225
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. ***Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance;*** recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Amendment

15. ***Draws attention to the fact that small and medium-sized enterprises play their part in the European economic fabric owing both to their number and to their strategic role in combating unemployment;*** recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement; ***calls on the Member States and the***

Commission to facilitate the establishment of small and medium-sized enterprises, provide them with a favourable regulatory environment and improve their access to financing;

Or. it

Amendment 226
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment, *to reduce the level of bureaucracy to a minimum* and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Or. en

Amendment 227
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment, *to facilitate market access* and to improve their access to finance;

are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs, ***which are responsible for 58% of all the added value created in the Union***; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement; ***takes the view that regional, national and European measures in support of SMEs should be mutually reinforcing***;

Or. It

Amendment 228
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a ***regulatory*** friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; ***urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement***;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises ***and to address in particular women's entrepreneurship which has remained stagnant over the last decade***, to provide them with a friendly environment ***for job creation and safeguarding of jobs and*** to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 229
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation ***and***

and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

growth of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Or. en

Amendment 230

Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment **and** to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment, to **cut red tape, to** improve their access to finance **and to use all available mechanisms to ensure their sustainability e.g. loan guarantee schemes**; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Or. en

Amendment 231

Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small

and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove **barriers to** business creation and its free movement;

and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory friendly environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove **all measures likely to hinder** business creation and its free movement;

Or. fr

Amendment 232

Tiziano Motti

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a regulatory **friendly** environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Amendment

15. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to stimulate creation of small and medium-sized enterprises, to provide them with a *favourable* regulatory **and fiscal** environment and to improve their access to finance; recalls that 85% of jobs in the EU are provided by SMEs; urges all relevant stakeholders to remove barriers to business creation and its free movement;

Or. it

Amendment 233

Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Considers that a more targeted use of innovation and a more competitive industrial base are necessary in order to boost employment; considers it necessary to promote youth employment, R&D-

based business models and specific incentives for the recruitment of a wider range of job-seekers;

Or. bg

Amendment 234
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the Commission to officially recognise the contribution made by social economy enterprises to the EU 2020 objectives, particularly in the area of increasing employment and reducing social exclusion, and to establish a legal framework characterising mutual societies, associations and foundations by their aims and distinctive form of social economic actors;

Or. en

Amendment 235
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Welcomes the Commission proposal to introduce in future a simplified procedure for issuing employees of a firm who are third-country nationals with a temporary residence permit valid throughout the EU;

Or. de

Amendment 236
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the Member states and the Commission to invest more in job creation in order a) to create employment opportunities for those with diverse skills and b) to reduce social exclusion among the most vulnerable;

Or. en

Amendment 237
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the European Commission and the Member States to support job creation through SMEs start ups and growth by promoting entrepreneurial skills, coaching for new entrepreneurs and supporting effective skill development for SME staff;

Or. en

Amendment 238
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15b. Considers that employers, and particularly SMEs, should support lifelong learning initiatives by making learning more accessible during working hours, and better suited to workers' needs, either through the individualisation of learning plans, the shift to competence-based training, the move to modularisation or the use of distance learning;

Or. en

**Amendment 239
Rovana Plumb**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15c. Considers that social economy plays an important role to contribute to creating new jobs, retaining jobs in sectors and businesses in crisis and/or threatened by closure, increasing job stability levels, keeping skills alive, such as crafts, and exploring new occupations and developing routes into work for groups that are especially disadvantaged and falling into social exclusion;

Or. en

**Amendment 240
Rovana Plumb**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15d. Emphasises the necessity to further develop the social economy as a source of employment possibilities with decent conditions for many workers, often falling under the risk of social exclusion, contributing to social inclusive wealth creation and helping to develop inclusive labour markets;

Or. en

**Amendment 241
Ole Christensen**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Stresses that in future there will be a lack not only of qualified workers in the fields of science, technology, engineering and other knowledge industries, but that an effort needs to be made in general to raise qualification levels among skilled and unskilled workers;

Or. da

**Amendment 242
Regina Bastos**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Urges the Commission and Member States to continue to cooperate with a view to creating an integrated and competitive risk capital market, which is vital for the

creation and growth of innovative SMEs;

Or. pt

Amendment 243

Patrick Le Hyaric, Ilda Figueiredo, Gabriele Zimmer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 244

Birgit Sippel, Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area; ***emphasises that social aspects must also be taken into account in that connection and that wage dumping must be prevented;***

Or. de

Amendment 245
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that a ***barrier-free and competitive single market*** has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience ***in this area***;

Amendment

16. Considers that a competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience ***of how the internal market is developing in terms of social security for wage-earners and in the light of the pay and working conditions in the host country***;

Or. da

Amendment 246
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that ***a barrier-free and competitive single market*** has to be ***completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers***; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

Amendment

16. Considers that ***priority*** has to be ***given to an increase in production, high-quality public services, the creation of high-quality jobs with rights and the fight to eradicate poverty***; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

Or. pt

Amendment 247
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to **be completed** in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

Amendment

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to **go hand in hand with labour legislation that creates a level playing field, strong social security schemes, portability of rights and benefits in** order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area **and to ensure the portability of social rights for all workers;**

Or. en

Amendment 248
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners **and** to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

Amendment

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners, to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area **and to raise awareness and increase the level of social solidarity among businesses;**

Or. lt

Amendment 249
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area;

Amendment

16. Considers that a barrier-free and competitive single market has to be completed in order to facilitate free movement of workers; in this regard, calls on the Commission and Member States to work closely with social partners and to encourage sharing of best practice and experience in this area ***and to ensure the portability of social rights for all workers;***

Or. en

Amendment 250
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16a. Calls on the Commission, in order to put an end to social dumping and undercutting labour conditions in the EU, to implement the necessary legal provisions to make economic freedoms in the single market compatible with the respect of the most advanced labour law and industrial relations standards and practices, respect of the rights of collective representation and bargaining, collective action including the right to strike and equal pay for work of equal value;

Or. en

Amendment 251
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16b. Believes that delocalization of production due to industrial restructurings and lack of regulation of multinational behaviour on this matter are having a negative effect in terms of employment rate and job creation in Europe; calls on the Commission to put in place a set of rules and policies to create a framework for socially decent restructurings;

Or. en

Amendment 252
Licia Ronzulli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Believes that job mobility is a precondition for greater freedom of choice and for more people finding new and better jobs;

Or. it

Amendment 253
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Calls on the Commission to strengthen the current legal framework for the recognition of diplomas and professional qualifications;

Or. en

Amendment 254
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy; ***calls, however, for this fight against undeclared work to be undertaken in compliance with the law and adversarial procedure. Also calls for a definition of undeclared work;***

Or. fr

Amendment 255
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information

campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy; ***draws attention to the alarming spread of ‘bogus self-employment’, which provides a means of circumventing the basic safeguards protecting many employees, a large number of whom are young and well-qualified;***

Or. it

Amendment 256
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of ***the rights of workers and the*** long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy; ***calls on Member States to create incentives for employers to offer legal employment opportunities and to reduce incentives for precarious work or false self-employment such as lower social security contributions or tax cuts;***

Or. en

Amendment 257
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy; ***calls for the development of a care economy to meet real needs and to ensure high quality accessible care services for all, good working and pay conditions to avoid resorting to undeclared work;***

Or. en

Amendment 258
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and ***to*** initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks, ***penalise employers who offer insecure contracts*** and initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Or. bg

Amendment 259
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States ***to reduce the fiscal burden of the minimum wage, to facilitate legal employment, to promote job retention,*** to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Or. It

Amendment 260

Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns undeclared work which endangers both society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out regular checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy; ***calls for the development of care economy to meet real needs and to ensure high quality accessible care services for all, good working and pay conditions to avoid resorting to undeclared work;***

Or. en

Amendment 261

Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Strongly condemns **undeclared** work which **endangers both** society and workers; calls on the Member States to carry out **regular** checks and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Amendment

17. Strongly condemns **illegal** work which **is seriously damaging to** society and **endangers** workers; calls on the Member States to carry out **more** checks **and impose appropriate penalties** and to initiate information campaigns in order to raise awareness of long-term disadvantages for workers employed in the black economy;

Or. de

Amendment 262
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

Amendment

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow **and a key contributor to social inclusion**; calls on the **European** Commission to **support and implement the (expected) ILO convention supplemented by a recommendation on domestic workers in order to improve the often inhuman working conditions for workers in this sector**; **calls on the Commission to** initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers **which are primarily women**;

Or. en

Amendment 263
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

Amendment

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers ***and whether this group is fully covered by the standards and rules of the Member States' labour markets;***

Or. da

Amendment 264
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector ***is an important employer,*** whose significance is likely to grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation

Amendment

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector ***represents a possible source of employment,*** whose significance is likely to grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish

provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

Or. fr

Amendment 265
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, ***because of demographic change***, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance ***is likely to*** grow; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

Amendment

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance ***will*** grow ***as a result of demographic change***; calls on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

Or. de

Amendment 266
Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow; calls

Amendment

18. Considers that the health-care sector has a critical role to play in achieving the goals of the Europe 2020 strategy; furthermore considers that, because of demographic change, the health and social care sector is an important employer, whose significance is likely to grow; calls

on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers;

on the Commission to initiate a study on care assistants employed in clients' homes in order to establish whether EU legislation provides sufficient social protection for this category of workers, ***and on other appropriate and sustainable solutions which support independent living;***

Or. hu

Amendment 267
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Stresses the potential of social, health, care and education services to create new employment and demands a strong and sustainable investment in these key services and infrastructures as well as for decent working conditions to support quality service provision; looks forward to the Commission's action plan to address the gap in the supply of health workers;

Or. en

Amendment 268
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Considers that more efficient use of EU funds should go hand-in-hand with a suitable increase in funds, with budget resources being earmarked for action in pursuit of the ambitious employment targets;

Amendment 269
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation; ***highlights the advantages of gearing structural fund investment towards education and training in technologically high value-added sectors and towards sectors that are particularly important for encouraging the transition to more sustainable growth models;***

Amendment 270
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility ***and other innovative financial instruments***, for job creation; ***calls for particular consideration to be given to those Member States with high unemployment and an average monthly income that is below the poverty***

threshold;

Or. It

Amendment 271
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure, *in practical terms*, efficient *and simplified* use of *the procedures for advances and reimbursement of* EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Or. en

Amendment 272
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient, *synergetic and ringfenced* use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Or. it

Amendment 273
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation;

Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission, Member States, social partners and other stakeholders to ensure efficient use of EU funds, such as ESF, ERDF and the Cohesion Fund, and facilities such as the Microfinance Facility, for job creation **and for supporting the social economy;**

Or. en

Amendment 274
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Calls on states to ensure the strengthening of legal certainty for enterprises, for example by reducing the statute of limitations in the field of social disputes;

Or. fr

Amendment 275
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Considers that, in order to be used profitably, the European Social Fund must focus on investing in skills, ongoing

training, taking into account new skills relating to the sustainable development and retraining, the proper functioning of the labour market, creating job opportunities and social conditions, research and innovation to facilitate the transition towards a sustainable economy, with a view to promoting employability, productivity, growth, adequate pay, quality of life and employment in Europe, and also measures to combat poverty and achieve social inclusion;

Or. en

Amendment 276
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19b. Emphasises the necessity of additional revenues to finance the instruments of the European Employment and Social Progress Pact which could be generated by introducing green / carbon tax and by tightening the European Emission Trading Scheme in order to encourage the creation of green jobs, especially in the renewable energy, energy efficiency and recycling sector which must be actively supported;

Or. en

Amendment 277
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Notes that ***flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test;***

Amendment

20. Notes that ***recent research demonstrates that increased flexibility has the effect of generally reducing the status of employees, who are more often not employed permanently but temporarily, not employed full-time but part-time, and more frequently turn to involuntary self-employment; whereas new research based on OECD data shows that the more flexible employment is, the more it is precarious and that employment flexibility has the strongest negative effect on 'employability' (improving the skills and qualifications of employees);***

Or. pt

Amendment 278
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test;

Amendment

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test; ***emphasises that flexicurity measures must be tailored to social circumstances and the specific structure of national labour markets and be consistent with the interests of employers and workers;***

Or. de

Amendment 279
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test;

Amendment

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test; ***stresses, however, the need to pursue labour market reforms without undermining successful flexicurity policies based on the consensus and the mutual trust between the national governments and the social partners;***

Or. en

Amendment 280
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test;

Amendment

20. Notes that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, and shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test, ***in particular where far-reaching external flexibility measures have been introduced in the labour market but there has been no corresponding strengthening of social security systems;***

Or. it

Amendment 281
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. **Notes** that flexicurity policies are put at the centre of the Agenda, **and** shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test;

Amendment

20. **Criticises** that flexicurity policies **of the 20th century** are put at the centre of the **New Skills and Jobs** Agenda; shares the Commission's assessment that the crisis has put national flexicurity arrangements to a serious test **showing often its failures especially as regards young workers**;

Or. en

Amendment 282
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Considers that collective bargaining plays a fundamental role in protecting and bolstering workers' rights and that it should be safeguarded and used more widely;

Or. it

Amendment 283
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Calls on the Commission to emphasize social dialogue as an integral part of the flexicurity model; believes that employment security will not be obtained by appealing to the goodwill or good sense of employers, and that trust between the social partners themselves and between

social partners and public authorities is a precondition for flexicurity; believes furthermore that the social partners are best placed to address the needs of workers;

Or. en

Amendment 284
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. Believes that flexicurity also has serious financial implications and that income security and a high-level of social protection are preconditions to successful negotiations on flexicurity; believes furthermore that negotiated solutions can only exist if there is a strong and reliable system to secure income and social protection, and that this has implications in terms of macroeconomic policy and public spending constraints;

Or. en

Amendment 285
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20c. Encourages the Commission and Member States to accompany the shift towards a socially and environmentally sustainable, low-carbon economy by active labour market policies including comprehensive training and re-skilling

programmes for greening jobs; considers that special initiatives must be taken towards initial and life-long learning of workers as a driver of growth able to stimulate European competitiveness;

Or. en

Amendment 286

Licia Ronzulli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Points to the need to bolster lifelong learning and enhance job flexibility and security;

Or. it

Amendment 287

Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

21. Takes the view that Member States should take adequate measures to phase out precarious and atypical employment; considers that one instrument could be to establish a system of progressively raising the social security contributions paid by employers, according to the principle ‘the lower the employment status (short period, weak perspectives, high risks), the higher the contributions to social security’; considers that progressive contributions could motivate employers e.g. to issue a permanent contract rather than to prolong a temporary one and thus

encourage them to hire employees under more favourable conditions;

Or. pt

Amendment 288
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities; ***recommends, accordingly, that a bottom-up approach be taken when drafting new employment strategies, in order to facilitate dialogue and the involvement of all levels of political and social governance;***

Or. it

Amendment 289
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and ***encourages all stakeholders to promote the necessary labour market reforms to ensure an improvement of its functioning;*** calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged

groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 290
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, *however*, that flexicurity *alone* cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers *from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities*;

Amendment

21. Stresses that flexicurity cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to *vulnerable and disadvantaged* workers,

Or. en

Amendment 291
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities, *and to establish an additional compensation mechanism for workers living below the poverty threshold*;

Or. It

Amendment 292
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from *disadvantaged* groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers *and* workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from *vulnerable* groups, such as *migrants*, young *and older* people, low-skilled workers, workers with *physical and psycho-social* disabilities *and with a minority background*;

Or. en

Amendment 293
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers *and* workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers, workers with disabilities *and workers from ethnic-minority backgrounds*;

Or. bg

Amendment 294
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the **Commission**, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 295
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to ***labour market integration and ascending labour mobility of*** workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 296
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity

Amendment

21. Stresses, however, that flexicurity

alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as young people, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

alone cannot remedy the crisis and calls on the Commission, Member States and the social partners to pay special attention to workers from disadvantaged groups, such as **women**, young people, **older workers**, low-skilled workers and workers with disabilities;

Or. pt

Amendment 297
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Underlines the necessity of investments for education and training programmes, in order to ensure a smooth transition for the workers concerned and to ensure that no region has to suffer from transforming the energy production; calls for a special attention in order to ensure that the transformation to renewable energy also entails a development to decent and high quality work for men and women;

Or. en

Amendment 298
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Highlights the need for the protection and promotion of decent, quality employment, as the linchpin of the European social model, and urges

Member States to redouble their efforts effectively to tackle the phenomenon of the working poor;

Or. el

Amendment 299

Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric, Cornelis de Jong

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced;

Amendment

22. Notes that the increase in atypical forms of employment caused by increased flexibility disqualifies an increasing number of employees from social benefits, as eligibility for social benefits depends on an employee's employment status; takes the view that increased flexibility thus also endangers the financial sustainability of social security systems;

Or. pt

Amendment 300

Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced;

Amendment

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced; ***considers the strengthening of labour market institutions essential***

throughout this process, to ensure that workers benefit from transitions between jobs, occupations, sectors or employment statuses;

Or. en

Amendment 301

Jutta Steinruck, Birgit Sippel, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed **and reinforced**;

Amendment

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed ***in order to ensure that the principle of equal pay for equal work performed in the same place is observed; considers that the social partners should play a central role in that review, as part of the social dialogue;***

Or. de

Amendment 302

Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market

Amendment

22. ***Believes that, owing to the economic and financial crisis, companies are unable to find on the labour market the types of contractual arrangements that would best enable them to meet their need***

policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced;

for flexibility in order to be able to respond to unpredictable fluctuations in market demand, for cost containment, and for guaranteed security for workers; believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced;

Or. it

Amendment 303
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced;

Amendment

22. Believes that, under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – and the balance between them should be reviewed and reinforced, *ensuring that the security side of flexicurity is reinforced, through agreements with social partners in order to create decent jobs, adequate social protection and modern labour markets;*

Or. en

Amendment 304
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Believes that, ***under the new momentum of social and economic changes, the four components*** of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – ***and the balance between them*** should be ***reviewed and reinforced***;

Amendment

22. Believes that the four ***pillars*** of flexicurity – flexible and reliable contractual arrangements, active labour market policies, lifelong learning, and modern social security systems – should ***all be addressed at the same time, in order to ensure the long-term employability of the persons***;

Or. en

Amendment 305
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

22a. Urges the Member States to develop teleworking, i.e. all forms of distance working and all kinds of work organisation and/or execution which exist outside the classic time-space format, by means of telecommunications and the Internet, in the form of a service provision or an employment relationship; would also like employers to transfer the most secondary tasks to junior employees;

Or. fr

Amendment 306
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Recalls that many European Social Partners, despite recognising the importance of flexicurity for both employers and employees, disagree strongly on the practical measures that should be taken in order to balance flexibility and security; underlines the need of engaging in extensive social dialogue on this issue;

Or. en

**Amendment 307
Rovana Plumb**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Raises attention to the fact that Member States have different industrial relation systems and that sectoral collective agreements normally establish minimum condition which can be improved by collective bargaining at company level and that these minimum conditions are essential to protect workers from being exploited; calls on the Commission to consider that decentralization of collective bargaining in labour markets with a high presence of SMEs and where workers often lack from proper representation at company level might not be feasible and might lead to deterioration of working conditions;

Or. en

**Amendment 308
Rovana Plumb**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22b. Calls for facilitating access to labour market information for all actors in the labour market, for increased cooperation and support in building information systems and improved dissemination of labour market intelligence, including through improved lifelong guidance and counselling on career and learning opportunities for citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 309
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Underlines, that in order for flexicurity to be successfully implemented, certain preconditions such as sound macro economic policies, favourable business environment, ensuring the necessary financial basis for public services and labour market policies need to be considered at EU and at national levels;

Or. en

Amendment 310
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Calls on the Member States and the Commission, in this time of crisis, to consider the possible benefits of decentralised bargaining in attuning employment strategies to specific workplaces and to the daily problems of companies and the territories in which they are located;

Or. it

Amendment 311
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to ***become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term***, Europe needs to make ***full*** use of its labour force potential;

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, ***and to improve both the labour market and the fight for social inclusion***, Europe needs to make ***better*** use of its labour force potential ***and to address the needs of workers so that the labour market creates the working conditions which allow individuals to remain active along the working biography***;

Or. en

Amendment 312
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge

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stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential;

stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential, ***widen the range of occupations and boost the educational qualifications, skills and abilities of the labour supply***;

Or. It

Amendment 313
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential;

Amendment

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to ***promote high-quality public services***, make full use of its labour force potential, ***guarantee workers' rights, and promote collective bargaining and public and universal social security***;

Or. pt

Amendment 314
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent,

Amendment

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent,

with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential;

with higher levels of growth **and employment**, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to **invest in and** make full use of its labour force potential;

Or. en

Amendment 315
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential;

Amendment

23. Underlines that, in order to emerge stronger from the economic crisis, to become more competitive and convergent, with higher levels of growth, and to secure our welfare systems in the long term, Europe needs to make full use of its labour force potential **in all age groups**;

Or. de

Amendment 316
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

23a. Believes that Labour law should cover all the workers, particularly atypical, temporary agency, economically dependant and freelance workers and that individual rights to training and life-long learning should be available for all workers regardless of their type of contract;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 317
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion in order to increase *disadvantaged* groups' opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Amendment

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion - *by adopting targeted approaches* - in order to increase *vulnerable* groups' (*such as low-skilled, long-term unemployed, younger and older people, as well as people with minority or migrant background or with physical and psycho-social disabilities*) opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 318
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Emphasises in this context *the importance of* reducing segmentation *and* improving labour market inclusion in order to increase disadvantaged groups' opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Amendment

24. Emphasises in this context *that* reducing *labour market* segmentation *has to be achieved by providing adequate security for workers under all forms of contracts, especially the vulnerable groups*, improving labour market inclusion in order to increase disadvantaged groups' opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 319
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion in order to increase **disadvantaged groups'** opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Amendment

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion in order to increase **the opportunities for all workers, in particular those in the most vulnerable groups**, to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Or. it

Amendment 320
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion in order to increase disadvantaged groups' opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Amendment

24. Emphasises in this context the importance of reducing segmentation and improving labour market inclusion in order to increase disadvantaged **and vulnerable** groups' opportunities to enter and make progress in the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 321
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Believes that the increase in precarious employment has been

exacerbated by new management methods and that the quality of contracts must be improved in order to avoid further segmentation of the labour market; stresses that a high degree of flexibility is already available and that the over-flexible workforce must be made more secure; strongly considers that a core of labour rights for all workers, regardless of contract, including the right to organise, negotiate collective agreements and the right to take industrial action should be created;

Or. en

Amendment 322
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Stresses the importance of mainstreaming the rights of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the Agenda, as well as in all aspects of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

25. Stresses the importance of mainstreaming the rights of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the Agenda, as well as in all aspects of the Europe 2020 strategy; ***calls upon the Commission to take appropriate measure to promote development of and access to universally designed goods and services as enshrined in Article 29 of the UN CRPD, including exchange of best practices;***

Or. en

Amendment 323
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Stresses the importance of mainstreaming the rights of persons with disabilities in the implementation of the Agenda, as well as in all aspects of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Amendment

25. Stresses the importance of mainstreaming the rights of persons with ***physical and psycho-social*** disabilities in the implementation of the Agenda, as well as in all aspects of the Europe 2020 strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 324
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls for special protection and adaptation of jobs for pregnant women and workers who suffer workplace accidents or illnesses;

Or. fr

Amendment 325
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Points to the economic arguments for anti-discrimination besides the human rights dimension; calls on Member States to take the necessary steps to swiftly conclude agreement and adopt the proposal for a Council directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual

orientation; calls on the Commission to continue supporting overcoming technical difficulties within the Council in order to reach such agreement as a strong EU anti-discrimination policy will underpin the 2020 strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 326

Jutta Steinruck, Birgit Sippel, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching; ***stresses the importance of the mutual recognition in the EU of school, vocational and higher education qualifications and qualifications obtained by means of further training and non-formal learning; emphasises that this initiative must be closely coordinated with the 'Youth on the Move' initiative;***

Or. de

Amendment 327

Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as ***providing opportunities to acquire real skills and update them whenever necessary, in line with constantly changing labour market requirements***;

Or. it

Amendment 328
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers ***and the development of traineeships and apprenticeships***; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Or. fr

Amendment 329
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers **and information on appropriate professional training**; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching, **personalised guidance and monitoring**;

Or. fr

Amendment 330
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment

26. Emphasises the importance of tackling youth unemployment as a matter of priority; calls on the Commission and Member States to continue their efforts to foster youth integration in the labour market **with full guarantees and rights**, including the provision of incentives for young people and employers; underlines in this context the crucial importance of facilitating the transition from school to work, as well as skills anticipation, upgrading and matching;

Amendment 331
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Stresses that the single open-ended contract proposed by the Commission is not new and different versions of it have been implemented in the past in different Member States with few or no success and in some case with negative effects; rejects the idea of opening a door for discrimination in labour conditions based on age or social situation and ask for the respect of anti-discrimination legislation and the principle of equal rights for all workers and equal social and legal protection; believes that reducing segmentation by undercutting labour protection and rights is in no case in the interest of workers and will not help to create employment with decent conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 332
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Stresses that pay rises do not keep pace with productivity gains in many Member States, and is extremely concerned at the growing number of 'working poor', who, although earning a wage, remain below the poverty line, and

believes that resolute action should be taken to remedy this situation;

Or. it

Amendment 333
Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Welcomes the idea of the Commission that the potential of the working age population should be fully used, especially considering the demographic challenges Europe is facing and its aging population; in this regard calls on the Commission to complement the life-long learning and vocational training programmes with more instruments to create incentives for companies to employ persons up until their actual retirement age;

Or. en

Amendment 334
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Emphasises the importance of creating appropriate conditions so that older workers can stay longer in the labour market and of mainstreaming intergenerational solidarity and cooperation within the employment context and the implementation of initiatives promoting longer working lives

such as job sharing and phased retirement;

Or. en

Amendment 335
Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Emphasises the importance of increasing the number of older workers in the workforce and of mainstreaming intergenerational solidarity and cooperation within the employment context and the implementation of initiatives promoting longer working lives such as job shares, skills and career re-appraisal, employee volunteering and phased retirement including among those who are freelancers;

Or. en

Amendment 336
Jutta Steinruck, Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market;

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market; *takes the view that efforts must be made to interest girls in MINT (mathematics, informatics, natural sciences, technology) professions and areas of vital importance to their*

professional development in particular at a young age and to give them appropriate encouragement;

Or. de

Amendment 337
Birgit Sippel, Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market;

Amendment

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market; ***calls on the Member States to take targeted measures to increase the number of women in senior management positions;***

Or. de

Amendment 338
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life ***can*** contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market;

Amendment

27. Emphasises that ***better and stronger EU*** policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life ***should*** contribute to increased participation of women and men in the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 339
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of **women and men** in the labour market;

Amendment

27. Emphasises that policies promoting gender equality and the reconciliation of work, family and private life can contribute to increased participation of **the active population** in the labour market;

Or. it

Amendment 340
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Calls on states to ensure the strengthening of legal certainty for enterprises, for example by reducing the statute of limitations in the field of social disputes;

Or. fr

Amendment 341
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Stresses that EU anti-discrimination laws have considerably raised the level of protection across the EU, but equality in employment has not yet been reached; believes that more needs to be done to

tackle discrimination of women, youth, elderly workers, people with disabilities, minorities and third-country nationals, as well as multiple discrimination, with regard to access to employment, pay gaps, career progression, training, or working conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 342
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27b. Asks the Commission to review the EU Directive 2000/78 in order to make mandatory the establishment of equal opportunities and non discrimination plans, equality plans or equality measures at sector and company level to tackle discrimination in access to employment, pay gap, career progression, training, promotion, or working conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 343
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27c. Calls on the Member States to modernise and strengthen the unemployment services, offering a range of support and re-skilling programmes, developing closer relationships with local employers and providing information on

access to entrepreneurship opportunities;

Or. en

Amendment 344
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Considers that greater involvement of women in the labour market should be fostered by means of targeted welfare policies focusing on childcare and family support that ensure genuinely equal opportunities;

Or. it

Amendment 345
Regina Bastos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Urges the Commission and Member States to step up the development of the social economy, which is responsible for 10% of jobs in the EU and plays a key role in the EU's economic, social and territorial cohesion;

Or. pt

Amendment 346
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees;

Amendment

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees ***and to ensure that all the Member States set a minimum monthly wage that is above the poverty threshold and provide a high level of social welfare and pensions;***

Or. It

Amendment 347
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees;

Amendment

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees, ***as well as ensuring their health and safety at the workplace;***

Or. fr

Amendment 348
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented

Amendment

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of full employment has to be complemented

by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees;

by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions **and pay particularly in light of the persistent gender pay gap of** all employees;

Or. en

Amendment 349
Roger Helmer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of **full** employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees;

Amendment

28. Considers that pursuing the objective of **high levels of** employment has to be complemented by strengthened efforts to improve the job quality, working and living conditions of all employees;

Or. en

Amendment 350
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Considers that job quality has to be promoted as a multidimensional concept, covering both employment relations and work itself; calls on the Commission to step up efforts to review the EU definition and common indicators of job quality, to make them more operational for the evaluation and benchmarking of Member States' policies;

Amendment

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 351
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Considers that job quality has to be promoted as a multidimensional concept, covering both employment relations and work itself; calls on the Commission to step up efforts to review the EU definition and common indicators of job quality, to make them more operational for the evaluation and benchmarking of Member States' policies;

Amendment

29. Considers that job quality has to be promoted as a multidimensional concept, covering both employment relations and work itself; calls on the Commission to ***accept that economic governance without employment and social governance will not function; calls on all actors at EU level to cooperate in creating a joint European approach to Decent Work and Job Creation by ensuring a safety net of minimum standards, adequate health and safety protection and properly implemented labour law; calls on the Commission to*** step up efforts to review the EU definition and common indicators of job quality, to make them more operational for the evaluation and benchmarking of Member States' policies; ***considers that social dialogue plays an important role in promoting decent work and quality employment and thus calls on involving key stakeholders in the field of industrial relations in such a review;***

Or. en

Amendment 352
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Motion for a resolution
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step up efforts to review the EU definition and common indicators of job quality, to make them more operational for the evaluation and benchmarking of Member States' policies; ***stresses that high-quality employment presupposes permanent work, with decent wages and adequate social protection;***

Or. pt

Amendment 353
Iliana Malinova Iotova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Considers that workplace accessibility, especially in relation to the built environment and information technologies, is an essential working condition and one that is crucial to the vocational integration of people with disabilities;

Or. bg

Amendment 354
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Welcomes the Commission proposal of reviewing health and safety legislation and warns that insecure working environment, constant changes from one job to the next, and increasing stress have negative effects on workers physical and mental health; asks the Commission to

address the problem of lack of recognition of job related hazards and illnesses;

Or. en

Amendment 355
Mara Bizzotto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Emphasises the importance of integrating stakeholders' efforts to improve job quality and the use of appropriate policy instruments, including legislation, policy coordination, exchange of good practice and autonomous agreements of the social partners;

Amendment

30. Considers that proper social protection and broad-based dialogue between the social partners – i.e. workers and employers – should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the concept of job quality;

Or. it

Amendment 356
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Emphasises the importance of integrating stakeholders' efforts to improve job quality and the use of appropriate policy instruments, including legislation, policy coordination, exchange of good practice and autonomous agreements of the social partners;

Amendment

30. Emphasises the importance of integrating stakeholders' efforts to improve job quality and the use of appropriate policy instruments, including legislation, policy coordination, **strengthening the** exchange of good practice and autonomous agreements of the social partners;

Or. en

Amendment 357
Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Is of the opinion that the high number and increasing proportion of occupational illnesses, in particular the spread of musculo-skeletal disorders, has a significant impact on the quality of workplaces, so that greater effort must be made to reduce these if the ageing society is to be sustainable;

Or. hu

Amendment 358
Georges Bach

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31. Considers that adequate social protection should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the job quality concept;

31. Considers that adequate social protection should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the job quality concept; ***notes that workers rights and their social protection must be insured in every contractual form;***

Or. en

Amendment 359
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31. Considers that adequate social

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protection should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the job quality concept; ***considers that poverty-preventing social protection should be at the core of quality employment and thus of the concept of job quality;***

Or. en

Amendment 360
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Considers that adequate social protection should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the job quality concept;

Amendment

31. Considers that adequate social protection should be at the core of employment quality and thus also of the job quality concept; ***stresses the necessity to put an end the working poor;***

Or. en

Amendment 361
Elisabeth Schroedter

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

32. Encourages the Commission to complete its pre-legislative activities and put forward the legislative proposals announced in the Agenda, fully respecting the outcome of its economic and social impact assessment and the autonomy of the social partners; welcomes the Commission's plans to review the effectiveness of the legislation concerning job quality and working conditions, taking

Amendment

32. Encourages the Commission to ***strive for a more ambitious Agenda on New Skills and Jobs addressing areas with true job potential such as the green sustainable economy as well as current key challenges of labour law; deplores the current lack of drive and action especially as regards challenges relating to sustainable green jobs; stresses that the EU will lose leadership regarding***

due account of developments;

exploiting the job potential of the new sustainable economy to emerging economies and the United States if the matters of up-skilling, innovation, investments in sustainable economy and high quality social security systems underlining decent work are not addressed; encourages the Commission to complete its pre-legislative activities and put forward the legislative proposals announced in the Agenda, fully respecting the outcome of its economic and social impact assessment and the autonomy of the social partners; welcomes the Commission's plans to review the effectiveness of the legislation concerning job quality and working conditions, taking due account of developments;

Or. en

Amendment 362
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32a. Underlines that the goals set in the field of employment and the strategies to achieve them should be monitored and coordinated with those in other important areas, such as the public finance sector and the relevant innovation policies;

Or. en

Amendment 363
Rovana Plumb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32a. Believes that all workers in all Member States must be legally protected against excessive working hours which undermine the quality of private and family life, and threaten health and safety; calls on the Commission to take measures needed to support families and to encourage family solidarity;

Or. en

**Amendment 364
Rovana Plumb**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32b. Calls on the European Commission to set up European sector skills councils within the context of the 'An Agenda for new skills and jobs' as a means of support for European Social Dialogue;

Or. en

**Amendment 365
Rovana Plumb**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32c. Points out that the support for strong social partners, social dialogue and collective bargaining is an obvious choice in the effort to reduce social and economic gaps and to eliminate the gender discrimination in the European

Union;

Or. en