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AMENDMENTS
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Draft opinion
Pervenche Berès
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Parliament's position on the 2012 Draft Budget as modified by the Council – All sections
(2011/2020(BUD))

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Amendment 1
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph -1 (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	-1. Calls for a serious analysis of EU spending on social affairs, to look in detail at areas where spending is effective and ineffective so that the budget could be reprioritised and possible savings could be made;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
1. ***Welcomes*** the increase in commitment appropriations for the 'Youth on the Move' and 'European Platform against Poverty and Social Exclusion' flagship initiatives***; points out that the crisis is not over yet, and opposes the real reduction of the 'Employment and social affairs' chapter and the 'New Skills for New Jobs' flagship initiative***;	1. ***Notes*** the increase in commitment appropriations for the 'Youth on the Move' and 'European Platform against Poverty and Social Exclusion' flagship initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Marian Harkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
1. Welcomes the increase in commitment appropriations for the 'Youth on the Move' and 'European Platform against Poverty and Social Exclusion' flagship initiatives; points out that the crisis is ***not*** over yet, and opposes the real reduction of the 'Employment and social affairs' chapter and the 'New Skills for New Jobs' flagship initiative;	1. Welcomes the increase in commitment appropriations for the 'Youth on the Move' and 'European Platform against Poverty and Social Exclusion' flagship initiatives; points out that the crisis is ***far from*** over yet, and opposes the real reduction of the 'Employment and social affairs' chapter and the 'New Skills for New Jobs' flagship initiative;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund ***and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions***;	2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. Calls for ***an increase in*** the ***payment appropriations for the*** European Social Fund ***and*** the ***creation of a new category*** of ***intermediate regions***;	2. Calls for ***more efficient management of*** the European Social Fund***; is of*** the ***view that the problem*** of ***ESF underspending must be addressed***;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. Calls ***for an increase in the payment appropriations*** for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;	2. Calls for ***more efficient management of*** the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Marian Harkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. ***Calls for an increase in*** the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;	2. ***Stresses*** the ***need to ensure adequate*** payment appropriations for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Elisabeth Schroedter, Emilie Turunen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;	2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions; ***calls also for a strengthening of the technical assistance***

under the ESF in order to allow partners to be involved in the planning of the next funding period, in accordance with Article 5 of the ESF Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Philippe Boulland

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund and the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;	2. Calls for an increase in the payment appropriations for the European Social Fund***, not least to improve the provision of facilities to assist the mobility and training of people with disabilities,*** and ***for*** the creation of a new category of intermediate regions;

Or. fr

Amendment 10
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	2a. Points to the need for budget appropriations for social action to be increased across the board; considers that the European Social Fund in particular needs to double in volume in order to cope with the social consequences of the crisis, especially unemployment and poverty;

Or. pt

Amendment 11
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
3. Welcomes the strengthening of the capacities of the social partners in the context of the flagship initiative on new skills ***and would like the budget to acknowledge their role in industrial policy***;	3. Welcomes the strengthening of the capacities of the social partners in the context of the flagship initiative on new skills;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Elisabeth Schroedter, Emilie Turunen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
3. Welcomes the strengthening of the capacities of the social partners in the context of the flagship initiative on new skills and would like the budget to acknowledge their role in industrial policy;	3. Welcomes the strengthening of the capacities of the social partners in the context of the flagship initiative on new skills and would like the budget to acknowledge their role in industrial policy; ***stresses that EURES has a key role in advising mobile workers and job-seekers on their rights and that this helps to deliver on a true internal market and 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 in the budget to respond to the challenges of the European labour market and to support the important work of social partners in border regions;***

Or. en

Amendment 13
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	4a. Maintains that the budget of the Progress programme needs to be increased substantially, given that the crisis is such that greater attention and support have to be focused on the social sectors encompassed within that programme;

Or. pt

Amendment 14
Pervenche Berès

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	4a. Proposes that financing be provided under the Progress programme for a fourth European forum on social services of general interest;

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Ilda Figueiredo, Patrick Le Hyaric

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	4b. Points to the need to continue the studies and actions concerning the living

conditions of posted workers, bearing in mind the current upward migration trend;

Or. pt

Amendment 16
Pervenche Berès

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	4b. Calls for more substantial support to be allocated under Progress to national labour inspectorates to enable them to implement European legislation and combat instances of circumvention and abuse, for example by 'letter-box' companies;

Or. fr

Amendment 17
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
5. Stresses that the European ***Global*** Adjustment Fund ***is geared*** to ***ensuring*** workers are qualified and employable; calls for payment appropriations for its budget heading to speed up the relevant procedures;	5. Stresses that the European ***Globalisation*** Adjustment Fund ***was designed*** to ***ensure*** workers are qualified and employable; calls for payment appropriations for its budget heading to speed up the relevant procedures;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
5. Stresses that the European ***Global*** Adjustment Fund is geared to ensuring workers are qualified and employable; calls for payment appropriations for its budget heading to speed up the relevant procedures;	5. Stresses that the European ***Globalisation*** Adjustment Fund is geared to ensuring workers are qualified and employable; calls for payment appropriations for its budget heading to speed up the relevant procedures ***and for assessment of the programmes executed so far***;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
7. ***Proposes an increase in commitment appropriations for*** the European Training Foundation in order to support partner countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue;	7. ***Acknowledges diverse activities of*** the European Training Foundation in order to support partner countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Mara Bizzotto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
7. Proposes ***an increase in*** commitment appropriations for the European Training Foundation in order to support partner	7. Proposes ***that*** commitment appropriations for the European Training Foundation ***be channelled as required*** in

countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue;	order to support partner countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue;

Or. it

Amendment 21
Roger Helmer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
7. Proposes an increase in commitment appropriations for the European Training Foundation in order to support partner countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue;	7. Proposes an increase in commitment appropriations for the European Training Foundation in order to support partner countries in the Mediterranean region in reforming their labour markets and vocational training systems and promoting social dialogue; ***calls, however, for more synergies of these activities at EU and national levels;***

Or. en

Amendment 22
Emilie Turunen

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion	*Amendment*
	8a. Calls for adequate financing for the preparatory action on 'Your first EURES job' for 2012 and welcomes and echoes the initiative of the Commission to create a legal base and a separate budget line on this by 2013 as a concrete measure to tackle youth unemployment.

Or. en