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Amendment 1
Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Motion for a resolution
Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas it is vital for development decisions to be adopted as close as possible to the people affected by those decisions, and whereas local communities must also be involved in preparing and adopting such decisions,

Or. lt

Amendment 2
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas, despite significant progress towards convergence in the European Union, the most recent cohesion reports highlight a trend towards widening territorial disparities between EU regions, for instance in terms of accessibility, especially in the case of structurally disadvantaged EU regions, but also at an intra-regional level and within EU territories, which could lead to spatial segregation and widen the differences in the levels of prosperity of the EU regions;

Or. ro

Amendment 3
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1 a. recognises, in order to achieve this collaboration, the importance of the code of conduct for Member States consulting with regions and local authorities during the preparation stages of funding programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Highlights the fact that the budget for cohesion policy post-2013 must be maintained at its current level in order to ensure that support continues to reach areas in need of economic and social regeneration;

2. Highlights the fact that the budget for cohesion policy post-2013 must be ***at least*** maintained at its current level in order to ensure that support continues to reach areas in need of economic and social regeneration, ***including the transition regions***;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Welcomes the Commission's proposals to place a results-led approach at the heart of the CPR, with the focus on measurable ***outputs*** delivered by cohesion policy in

3. Welcomes the Commission's proposals to place a results-led approach at the heart of the CPR, with the focus on measurable ***effects*** delivered by cohesion policy in

order to increase the sustainability of investments and guarantee the effectiveness of funding programmes;

order to increase the sustainability of investments and guarantee the effectiveness of funding programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Emphasises that the objective of territorial cohesion remains indissociable from the challenges of economic and social cohesion and strengthens the European added value of cohesion policy;

Or. ro

Amendment 7
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Highlights the need for the focus on a results-led system to include flexibility at member state and regional level, taking into account simplification, programming priorities and partnership, so that results-led systems are regional-specific in order to achieve the best possible efficiency;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Evgeni Kirilov

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Endorses the Commission's overarching proposals throughout the CPR to reduce administrative burden; highlights the fact, therefore, that rules, checks and eligibility must be made clear from the outset and that successful simplification of administrative procedures can be achieved through an integrated approach to the delivery of funds;

Amendment

4. Endorses the Commission's overarching proposals throughout the CPR to reduce administrative burden; highlights the fact, therefore, that rules, checks and eligibility must be made clear from the outset and ***not to be additionally complicated at national level, and*** that successful simplification of administrative procedures can be achieved through an integrated approach to the delivery of funds; ***Insists on measures for further strengthening of the administrative capacity at regional and local level to be taken, especially with regard to the application of the new requirements and procedures for the next programming period;***

Or. en

Amendment 9
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

4a. Is of the opinion that ‘concentration, cooperation and connection’ are the key coordinates of territorial cohesion with a view to more balanced territorial development in the EU;

Or. ro

Amendment 10
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses the need to ensure ***flexibility for funding programmes based on*** local and regional objectives, with stakeholders at regional level involved at all stages to ensure that European funding programmes meet the needs to tackle social and economic disparities;

Amendment

5. Stresses the need to ensure ***a flexible approach to setting*** local and regional objectives, with stakeholders at regional level involved at all stages to ensure that European funding programmes meet the needs to tackle social and economic disparities;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises that ***flexibility should extend to greater provision for projects to operate across different funds covered by the CPR and that this*** increased flexibility would help to simplify project delivery and increase the complementary and cross-cutting aspects of European funding;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 12
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Recognises that cohesion policy can make a valuable contribution to delivering

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EU2020 targets; *notes, however, that cohesion policy, as a permanent and legally binding objective of the EU, must not be used solely as a means of implementing EU2020;*

EU2020 targets *by introducing a territorial dimension*

Or. en

Amendment 13
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Recognises that cohesion policy can make a valuable contribution to delivering EU2020 targets; notes, however, that cohesion policy, as a permanent and legally binding objective of the EU, must not be used solely as a means of implementing EU2020;

Amendment

7. Recognises that cohesion policy can make a valuable contribution to delivering EU2020 targets, *especially in employment, education and poverty reduction*; notes, however, that cohesion policy, as a permanent and legally binding objective of the EU, must not be used solely as a means of implementing EU2020;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises the increased focus on cities and urban areas as a driver of economic growth;

Amendment

9. Recognises the increased focus on cities and urban areas as a driver of economic growth; *at the same time considers it necessary to foster partnerships and networks, thereby creating the specific conditions enabling rural settlements to participate in integrated activities of a given functional geographical entity;*

Or. ro

Amendment 15
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Highlights the need to link territorial cooperation programmes more effectively with territorial strategies;

Or. ro

Amendment 16
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9 a. Highlights the importance of strengthening existing and promoting new urban-rural linkages;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9 b. Underlines the potential of European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EGTC) in strengthening territorial cooperation within the EU;

Amendment 18
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Expresses concern regarding the definition of cities and urban areas given the differing size, resources and social and economic aspects of cities in the EU;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 19
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Expresses concern regarding the definition of cities and urban areas given the differing size, resources and social and economic aspects of cities in the EU;

10. Expresses concern regarding the definition of cities and urban areas given the differing size, resources and social and economic aspects of cities in the EU ***and calls upon the Commission to adopt a shared definition of 'functional urban area'***;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Expresses concern regarding the definition of cities and urban areas given the differing size, resources and social and economic aspects of cities in the EU;

Amendment

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welcomes a definition decided at Member State or regional level

Or. en

Amendment 21
Evgeni Kirilov

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Highlights that the territorial dimension of the cohesion policy has also the aim to support the development of the territories suffering from different handicaps such as cross-border, mountain, island and outermost regions, and that the prosperity in the Union as a whole will not be complete without a balanced development of all its territories;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Stresses that territorial cohesion also applies to cohesion within territories i.e. ensuring that the whole area makes an economic contribution and not just the

large cities and emphasises that the potential of small and medium sized towns in rural areas to make a significant contribution to the region should not be overlooked;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 b. Highlights that developing better integration between cities and surrounding rural areas requires a strong multi-level focus and collaboration between rural and urban stakeholders;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Petru Constantin Luhan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Points out that territorial cohesion has a horizontal, multi-sectoral character and that Union policies must accordingly contribute to its achievement; reiterates that this concept is not limited to the effects of regional policy but also presupposes coordination with other Union policies that are targeted at sustainable development and offer tangible results at regional level, in order to develop and fully exploit the specific areas of regional potential and increase

their impact on the ground, boosting regions' competitiveness and attractiveness and achieving territorial cohesion;

Or. ro

Amendment 25
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11 a. Highlights that a stronger and more integrated territorial approach to European funding, with an efficient and strategic approach to implementing funds at the level closest to the citizen, is a positive way of ensuring that money is directed towards addressing Europe's long-term social and economic challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Stresses the need for clear and well defined Partnership Contracts, with the involvement of actors at local and regional level, so that all parties can contribute to the preparation and delivery of programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the proposals for a regulatory framework with a *sub-regional* focus *for* local and integrated development through ‘community-led local development’, ‘joint action plans’ *and* ‘integrated territorial investment’;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the proposals for a regulatory framework with a focus *on* local and integrated development through ‘community-led local development’, ‘joint action plans’ *and* ‘integrated territorial investment’;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Stresses that, following the Commission's proposals, *clear links must now be developed between these delivery instruments in order to ensure that* all investment complements local needs and does not overlap with other projects;

Amendment

17. Stresses that, following the Commission's proposals, all investment complements local needs and does not overlap with other projects;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls for a fully integrated approach to related delivery instruments (CLLD, ITIs, JAPs), allowing local partnerships to choose, according to their individual needs, different combinations of these instruments as appropriate, ***with these instruments to be used to deliver more than one thematic priority with funding from more than one fund at the same time;***

Amendment

18. Calls for a fully integrated approach to related delivery instruments (CLLD, ITIs, JAPs), allowing local partnerships to choose, according to their individual needs, different combinations of these instruments as appropriate, ***and for consideration to be given to the possibility of applying more flexible arrangements for concentrating resources, taking into account the specific needs of Member States and regions.***

Or. pl

Amendment 30
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 31
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Highlights the example of the sub-delegation to councils in the Netherlands, which includes parts of funding

Amendment

18 a. highlights the need to keep the application of the proposed instrument as simple as possible to avoid adding to the administrative burden of local authorities and to keep in line with simplification objectives;

Or. en

Amendment

19. Highlights the example of the sub-delegation to councils in the Netherlands, which includes parts of funding

programmes (e.g. ERDF) being delegated from the regional authority to *large* local authorities, with actions implemented at local level to address local needs; stresses that allocating management responsibility to local authorities gives greater potential to integrate the best combination of funds tailored to local needs; emphasises that, with the management structures already in place at local level, this approach could benefit the delivery of ITIs, JAPs and CLLD;

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Or. en

Amendment 32
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Highlights the example of the sub-delegation to councils in the Netherlands, which includes parts of funding programmes (e.g. ERDF) being delegated from the regional authority to large local authorities, with actions implemented at local level to address local needs; stresses that allocating management responsibility to local authorities gives greater potential to integrate the best combination of funds tailored to local needs; emphasises that, with the management structures already in place at local level, this approach could benefit the delivery of ITIs, *JAPs and CLLD*;

Amendment

19. Highlights the example of the sub-delegation to councils in the Netherlands, which includes parts of funding programmes (e.g. ERDF) being delegated from the regional authority to large local authorities, with actions implemented at local level to address local needs; stresses that allocating management responsibility to local authorities gives greater potential to integrate the best combination of funds tailored to local needs; emphasises that, with the management structures already in place at local level, this approach could benefit the delivery of ITIs, *at local or sub-local level*;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Considers this instrument to be an excellent way of encouraging bottom-up participation from a cross-section of local community actors working towards territorial objectives;

Amendment

21. Considers this instrument to be an excellent way of encouraging bottom-up participation from a cross-section of local community actors working towards **sustainable** territorial objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Considers this instrument to be an excellent way of encouraging bottom-up participation from a cross-section of local community actors working towards territorial objectives;

Amendment

21. Considers this instrument to be an excellent way of encouraging bottom-up participation from a cross-section of local community actors working towards territorial objectives; **welcomes, in this respect, more capacity-building actions that will improve the participation of both the regional authorities and the local social partners;**

Or. en

Amendment 35
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21 a. recognises the past success of LEADER as an important tool for the delivery of rural development policy and

believes that through CLLD this delivery mechanism can be instrumental in responding to local and regional challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Calls for the Commission to clarify its proposals on CLLD in the implementation phase in order to allow potential participants to fully determine the likely purpose, scope and effect of CLLD *through the preparation of delegated and implementing acts;*

Amendment

22. Calls for the Commission to clarify its proposals on CLLD in the implementation phase in order to allow potential participants to fully determine the likely purpose, scope and effect of CLLD; *looks forward to the publication of a guide to CLLD for Managing Authorities*

Or. en

Amendment 37
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Calls for the Commission to clarify its proposals on CLLD in the implementation phase in order to allow potential participants to fully determine the likely purpose, scope and effect of CLLD through the preparation of delegated and implementing acts;

Amendment

22. Calls for the Commission to clarify its proposals on CLLD in the implementation phase in order to allow potential participants to fully determine the likely purpose, scope and effect of CLLD through the preparation of delegated and implementing acts; *supports the use of CLLD for urban development to enhance local initiatives through a bottom-up approach;*

Amendment 38
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 a. Stresses that the selection and approval of local development strategies proposed by newly established local action groups should be completed by 31 December 2016 at the latest;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Underlines the need to look at examples such as the integrated use of EARDF and EFF funds through community-led local development in the future programming period as a way of developing synergies between all funds covered by the CPR;

Joint action plans

24. Underlines the need to look at examples such as the integrated use of EARDF, ***ESF*** and EFF funds through community-led local development in the future programming period as a way of developing synergies between all funds covered by the CPR;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

24. Underlines the need to look at examples such as the integrated use of EARDF and EFF funds through community-led local development in the future programming period as a way of developing synergies between all funds covered by the CPR;

Joint action plans

Amendment

24. Underlines the need to look at examples such as the integrated use of EARDF and EFF funds through community-led local development in the future programming period as a way of developing synergies between all funds covered by the CPR;

25. Recognises that community-led local development strategies should be an instrument for achieving various thematic objectives and development priorities, rather than an investment priority in themselves.

Community-led local development strategies must be carried out in line with the thematic objective of promoting social inclusion and combating poverty, while in the other thematic objectives they can fulfil equally important functions. In this regard, changes should be envisaged to strengthen support for local institutional capacity and enable more flexible use of tools such as CLLD strategies;

Or. pl

**Amendment 41
Derek Vaughan**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27**

Motion for a resolution

27. Stresses the importance of ensuring that these instruments are developed alongside the CLLD in order to ensure that the CLLD grows into more than merely a strategic tool ***which relies on the JAPs or ITIs to deliver the programmes;***

Amendment

27. Stresses the importance of ensuring that these instruments are developed alongside the CLLD in order to ensure that the CLLD grows into more than merely a strategic tool ***for local capacity development;***

Or. en

Amendment 42
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28a. Considers that the joint action plans, which are instruments for promoting closer integration of various funds aimed at achieving a common objective, should be an operational document drawn up by local authorities for the purpose of, among other things, better addressing a range of problems requiring intervention in different areas.

Or. pl

Amendment 43
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28b. Recognises that joint action plans can be a very effective form of providing technical assistance as well as a means of achieving the balanced integration of young people into the labour market;

Or. pl

Amendment 44
Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28c. Points out that in order to minimise the risk of excessively long decision-making processes and complicated administrative procedures, the system for implementing the joint action plans could envisage the establishment, at the first stage, of an institution responsible for managing the programme at regional level with the task of assessing the joint action plans. At the second stage the individual projects could be submitted to the various entities responsible solely for the contracting of funds, as a continuation of a previously approved joint action plan (the entity would only submit, for example, the budget for a given project, together with an indication of the results to be achieved as a result of the intervention). The institution confirming a joint action plan would be responsible for monitoring and assessing the whole plan, including synergy effects and added value. The individual contracting institutions would, on the other hand, be responsible for the implementation of the budget and the impact of the individual tasks;

Or. pl

Amendment 45

Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Calls on the Commission to define at EU level clear criteria for the selection of functional urban areas, in which integrated actions for sustainable urban development would be carried out. On the

basis of these criteria and taking into account national and regional strategies, Member States would choose the functional urban areas to be included in a Partnership Contract. This would be a list of functional urban areas meeting the criteria and having the potential to carry out Integrated Territorial Investments. However, it would be up to the Member States/Managing Authorities to decide which functional urban areas could ultimately implement ITI, depending on whether a given functional urban area is fulfilling obligations in connection with the implementation of ITI;

Or. pl

Amendment 46
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Welcomes further clarification on the scope of ITIs and the potential for the instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban areas;

Amendment

30. Welcomes further clarification on the scope of ITIs and the potential for the instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban, *and in particular periurban* areas;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Jan Olbrycht

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban areas;

instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban areas; ***is of the opinion that the implementation of ITIs should be possible with the use of all funds covered by the CPR;***

Or. en

Amendment 48
Filiz Hakaeva Hyusmenova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Welcomes further clarification on the scope of ITIs and the potential for the instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban areas;

Amendment

30. Welcomes further clarification on the scope of ITIs and the potential for the instrument, if it fits local needs, to be used in non-urban areas, ***in order to improve economic and social cohesion, not only among regions, but also among urban and non-urban areas within the regions;***

Or. en

Amendment 49
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

30 a. Highlights that the coherence of the ITIs with regional sustainable development strategies at regional level has to be ensured;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Highlights the example of a proposed model for ITIs from Greater Manchester, which integrates funding from as many relevant sources as possible to achieve better value from investment; highlights the fact that the development of this model is ongoing and could potentially be used to support a strategy bringing many economic and social benefits to the city region; emphasises that the proposed ITI would integrate ERDF priorities with ESF measures and that, given the increased focus of ERDF on SMEs and innovation, there is potential for the ITI to **include support from** Horizon 2020 projects in the future;

Amendment

31. Highlights the example of a proposed model for ITIs from Greater Manchester, which integrates funding from as many relevant sources as possible to achieve better value from investment; highlights the fact that the development of this model is ongoing and could potentially be used to support a strategy bringing many economic and social benefits to the city region; emphasises that the proposed ITI would integrate ERDF priorities with ESF measures and that, given the increased focus of ERDF on SMEs and innovation, there is potential for the ITI to **create links with** Horizon 2020 projects in the future;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Karima Delli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Highlights the potential of financial instruments to open up alternative sources of finance for a wide range of actors to complement traditional financing methods;

Amendment

33. Highlights the potential of financial instruments, **including micro-credits**, to open up alternative sources of finance for a wide range of actors to complement traditional financing methods;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34 a. stresses that in the future funding framework Financial Instruments should have the ability to lever private funding and offer flexibility to Member States and regions to tailor target sectors and implementation methods to their specific needs;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Derek Vaughan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34 b. Integration of CSF funds with other EU policies and instruments

. welcomes the proposals in the Common Strategic Framework for Partnership Contracts to outline potential alignment between CSF funds and other funding programmes, such as the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (previously FP7, now Horizon 2020), LIFE + or the Connecting Europe Facility;

. recognises that, while funding programmes such as H2020 are primarily focused on excellence, Structural Funds have previously been successful in a 'capacity building' role by providing funding to develop businesses or organisations that have then gone on to become partners in FP7 or

*Competitiveness and Innovation
Programme (CIP) projects;*

*. stresses that the existing synergies
between CSF funds and Horizon 2020
mean that both funds could potentially be
used while working towards
complementary thematic objectives;*

Or. en