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Amendment 1
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard also to the ILO conventions on labour clauses (public contracts) (No 94) and on collective bargaining (No 154),

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 2
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the UN Women's Empowerment Principles launched in March 2010 which offer guidance on how to empower women in the workplace, marketplace and community and are a result of a collaboration between UN Women and the United Nations Global Compact;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the "Consistency Project," a collaborative project between the Climate Disclosure Standards Board (CDSB), the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) designed to support greater consistency of approach to the demand for and supply of corporate climate change-related information;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Citation 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the October 2010 study produced for the Commission on governance gaps between international corporate social responsibility instruments and standards and existing European legislation (known as the ‘Edinburgh Study’), the findings of which were reported in the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report,

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Or. en

Amendment 5
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Citation 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission's proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on public procurement (COM(2011)0896);

Or. de

Amendment 6

Mikael Gustafsson, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Motion for a resolution

Citation 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission communication entitled 'Strategy for equality between women and men 2010-2015' (COM(2010)0491)

Or. en

Amendment 7

Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution

Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-A. whereas regulation reduces people's willingness to implement charitable action;¹

¹*Analysis of the relationship between the World Giving Index and the regulation index of the Cologne Institute for Economic Research (IW); <http://www.iwkoeln.de/de/infodienste/wirt>*

Or. de

Amendment 8
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-Aa. whereas in a free society, businesses may not be forced to perform charitable acts;

Or. de

Amendment 9
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-A. whereas the term ‘voluntary’ will again have to be a key element of CSR and there must be greater differentiation between (1) the original CSR concept of charitable corporate action, in order to exercise social responsibility; (2) corporate social action based on laws, rules and international standards; and (3) antisocial action by businesses which violates laws, rules and international standards and is criminal and exploitative, for example child or forced labour; whereas these three aspects are constantly becoming intermingled in the CSR debate; whereas anti-social corporate action must be strongly condemned; whereas voluntary charitable commitment to CSR must be expressly

supported and encouraged;

Or. de

Amendment 10
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas corporate social responsibility (CSR) must not be used to redefine internationally agreed minimum applicable standards but to seek ***better to understand and implement*** the way in which these ***are*** directly applicable ***to business***;

Amendment

A. whereas corporate social responsibility (CSR) must not be used to redefine internationally agreed minimum applicable standards but to seek ***to gauge their implementation and better understand*** the way in which these ***can be made readily and*** directly applicable ***by businesses of every size***;

Or. fr

Amendment 11
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas corporate social responsibility (CSR) must not be ***used to redefine internationally agreed minimum applicable standards but to seek better to understand and implement the way in which these are directly applicable to business***;

Amendment

A. whereas ***the term*** ‘corporate social responsibility’ must not be ***abused in order to make charitable action compulsory and render it subject to reporting obligations***;

Or. de

Amendment 12
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas corporate social responsibility (CSR) must not be used to redefine internationally agreed minimum applicable standards but to seek better to understand and implement the way in which these are directly applicable to business;

Amendment

A. whereas corporate social responsibility (CSR) must not be used to redefine internationally agreed minimum applicable standards but to seek better to understand and implement, **monitor** the way in which these are directly applicable to business;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the concept of "corporate social responsibility" typically used in the EU institutions should be regarded as largely indistinguishable from related concepts of responsible or ethical business, "environment, society and governance," sustainable development and corporate accountability;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas corporate social action calls for standards laid down by law and collective agreement; stresses that promoting voluntary measures can merely complement, and can certainly not replace, provisions for the protection of workers, efficient monitoring of compliance with such provisions and penalties for contravention where necessary;

Or. de

**Amendment 15
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas the multi-stakeholder approach must remain the cornerstone of all EU-backed initiatives on CSR, and the basis of the most credible CSR by business itself, starting from the local level;

Or. en

**Amendment 16
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ac. whereas the Global Reporting Initiative has provided the most widely accepted methodology internationally by far for business transparency and

whereas the formation of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) involving the major global accountancy standard-setting bodies indicates corporate sustainability reporting integrated in financial accounts will become the global norm within less than a decade;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ad. whereas ground-breaking work by the Prince's Accounting for Sustainability Project, by TEEB for Business and by the United Nations Environmental Programme has now made it possible for business to fully and accurately understand the monetary valuation of its external social and environmental impact and thus build it in to the financial management of the company;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ae. whereas there has been a sea-change in the investment community with 1123 investors representing \$32trn total assets under management endorsing the UN

Principles of Responsible Investment (UNPRI); the European Sustainable Investment Forum estimates that the global SRI market reached approximately €7 trillion as of September 2010 and 82 investors led by Aviva Global Investors and representing US\$50trillion total assets under management leading the call at the UN Summit for Sustainable Development for corporate sustainability reporting to be made mandatory;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Af. whereas the formation of the European Multi-stakeholder Platform on CSR, the undertaking of a series of pilot projects and research projects, the activities of the former Alliance for Business have all established a firm track record for European action in the field of CSR, together with continuing valuable contribution made by a 'family' of European CSR organisations including CSR Europe, the European Academy of Business in Society (EABIS), the European Social Investment Forum (Eurosif), and the European Coalition for Corporate Justice (ECCJ);

Or. en

Amendment 20
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ag. whereas, although it is essential to establish a core set of common standards for CSR, differences in the materiality of different social and environmental questions necessitates differential approaches to CSR according to different industrial sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ah. whereas company codes of conduct have played an important role in initiating and raising awareness of CSR, but are an insufficient response given frequent lack of specificity, inconsistency with existing international standards, examples of avoidance of material issues, lack of comparability and transparency in application;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ai. whereas the United Nations Guiding

Principles on Business and Human Rights were agreed unanimously in the United Nations with the full support of EU member states, the International Organisation of Employers and the International Chambers of Commerce, including support for the concept of a "smart mix" between regulatory and voluntary actions;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aj. whereas former UN Secretary General Special Representative Ruggie appealed to EU Member States to clarify and support the issue of extraterritorial jurisdiction for violations by companies in fragile third countries as part of the CSR Conference convened by the then Swedish Presidency, which was subsequently endorsed in European Council conclusions, but that currently no action has been taken in response;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ak. whereas the European Commission study in to governance gaps between

international CSR instruments and standards and existing European legislation known as "the Edinburgh Study," published in October 2010 and whose results were reported in the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report fully endorsed by the European Council and European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Al. whereas the OECD Guidelines on Multinational Enterprise are the most credible international CSR standard and that the Update agreed in May 2011 presents a significant opportunity to advance implementation of CSR;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Am. whereas numerous international initiatives have taken place to secure mandatory sustainability reporting by business, including the requirement to report for Chinese state-owned businesses, for businesses to report on implementation of CSR Guidelines developed by the Government of India,

and for businesses to disclose their sustainability performance required as a stock exchange listing requirement in Brazil, South Africa and Malaysia and by the Securities and Exchange Commission of the United States;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A n (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

An. whereas the Danish Financial Statements Act (2008) on corporate sustainability reporting with specific additional reporting requirements on climate change and on human rights impact has proven hugely popular with Danish business, with 97 per cent choosing to report despite its "comply or explain" provision within the first three years of its application;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A o (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ao. whereas France and Denmark have agreed to be two of four UN member state governments who have agreed to lead implementation of the UN Rio +20 commitment on corporate sustainability reporting;

Amendment 29
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A p (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ap. whereas the update of the OECD Guidelines on Multinational Enterprise led by the Netherlands has offered the opportunity to upgrade their visibility and status through the system of "national contact points," ended the "investment nexus" which prevented their full application to the supply chain and fully integrated the UN Principles on Business and Human Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A q (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aq. whereas the European Parliament resolution on Europe 2020 states that there is an inextricable link between corporate responsibility and corporate governance;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A r (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ar. whereas the "Green Winners" 2009 study of 99 companies which showed that in 16 separate industrial sectors, companies with CSR strategies outperformed their industry average by at least 15 per cent, representing extra market capitalisation of €498 (\$650m) per company;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Recital A s (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

As. whereas the Global CEO survey 2012 shows that business recognises that growth requires working closely with local populations with, for example, over 60% planning to increase investments in the next three years to help maintain the health of the workforce;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Recognises that the Commission communication is part of a series of policy

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statements *thanks to which* CSR is now embedded in EU policies and action;

statements *erving to ensure that* CSR is *being promoted more widely and will in the longer term be* embedded in EU policies and action; *calls on the Commission and the Member States to use the 2014-2020 CSR strategy as the basis for practical measures to encourage companies to become involved in CSR;*

Or. fr

Amendment 34
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recognises that the Commission communication is part of a series of policy statements thanks to which CSR is now embedded in EU policies and action;

Amendment

1. Recognises that the Commission Communication is part of a series of policy statements thanks to which CSR is now embedded in EU policies and *an established principle for European* action;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

1a. Stresses that an active awareness of social responsibility brings businesses greater trust and social acceptance;

Or. de

Amendment 36
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis set out in the communication to the effect that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 37
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis set out in the communication to the effect that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies;

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis that CSR is *nothing new and that businesses have always become involved in the society in which they operate. Social involvement is currently a firm component of the growing corporate culture and can act as an example to other businesses;*

Or. de

Amendment 38
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies;

that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies, ***and that the direct appeal for more companies to embrace CSR in the 2001 and 2006 Commission communications largely failed to come to fruition; notes also the need to engage SMEs in the debate on CSR many of whom are willing but who lack recognition that many of the day-to-day actions they take are in fact core elements of corporate social responsibility;***

Or. en

Amendment 39
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis set out in the communication to the effect that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies;

Amendment

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis set out in the communication to the effect that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies; ***CSR can, however, be introduced to companies of whatever size and in whatever sector: multinationals and SMEs alike. Small businesses can also play a major role locally in sustainable regional development; this must, however, entail the minimum amount of administration;***

Or. de

Amendment 40
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

2. Agrees, nevertheless, with the analysis set out in the communication to the effect that CSR practices are still largely confined to a minority of big companies; ***stresses that regulation of all entities would create trust and fairness while strengthening monitoring and implementation;***

Or. en

**Amendment 41
Philippe Boulland**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Regrets that CSR continues to be focused on environmental standards at the expense of social standards, even though these are essential in order to restore a social climate conducive to economic growth and social convergence;

Or. fr

**Amendment 42
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Believes that the global financial crisis provides a real risk that policy makers including in the EU will suffer their own fatal short-termism, focusing exclusively on measures for narrowly-defined transparency and accountability in

financial markets and neglecting the urgent need for the financial as well as all industrial sectors to address pressing and over-riding challenges of environmental degradation and social disintegration in an integrated way;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2b. Warns that businesses can only be sustainable in the future if they exist within a sustainable economy, and that there can be no alternative to transformation to a low-carbon future which also encompasses preservation of social and natural capital in the world, a process in which CSR must play a decisive role;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Believes that *future key drivers for 'scaling up' CSR will include* an emphasis on global *CSR* instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing *CSR* initiatives, and increasing

3. Believes that *social action by businesses in third countries must be improved by means of* an emphasis on global instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing initiatives, and

recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges; ***strongly condemns antisocial action by businesses which violates laws, rules and international standards and is criminal and exploitative, for example child or forced labour;***

Or. de

Amendment 45
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate ***regulation***, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Amendment

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate ***guidelines***, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Or. de

Amendment 46
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

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on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, ***the use of appropriate regulation***, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Danuta Jazłowiecka

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate ***regulation***, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Amendment

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of ***self-regulation and self-organisation of the market, support from the public administration for initiatives through the creation of appropriate conditions for CSR cooperation and the provision of appropriate tools and instruments, such as an incentive system***, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Or. pl

Amendment 48
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of *appropriate* regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Amendment

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers *guided by company disclosure of social and environmental information*, the use of *binding* regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society *of the* scale of *global* social and environmental challenges;

Amendment

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society *about the huge* scale of social and environmental challenges *facing Europe and the world*

Or. en

Amendment 50
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Amendment

3. Believes that future key drivers for ‘scaling up’ CSR will include an emphasis on global CSR instruments, fresh momentum from leading businesses among their peers, the use of appropriate regulation, a robust impact analysis of existing CSR initiatives, ***support for new initiatives in the social sphere, adaptation of CSR to meet the needs of SMEs***, and increasing recognition within both the business community and wider society of the scale of global social and environmental challenges;

Or. fr

Amendment 51
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

3a. Supports the Commission’s intention to deepen CSR in Europe by producing guidelines and supporting multi-stakeholder initiatives for individual industrial sectors, and appeals to leading companies and associations to embrace this initiative;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 52
Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Considers that workers' representative bodies and employee participation are essential structural elements of a CSR strategy; democratically-elected workers' representation bodies must therefore be involved when drawing up a CSR strategy for businesses and must be taken into account in the Commission's action plan;

Or. de

Amendment 53
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Reiterates that CSR must move from process to outcome;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Hannu Takkula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for **inclusivity** and consensus-building, and

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for **inclusion** and consensus-building, and

properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on **this** issue thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles;

properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on **the** issue **of integrating social, environmental, ethical and human rights concerns into business operations** thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for inclusivity and consensus-building, and properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on this issue thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for inclusivity and consensus-building, and properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on this issue thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles; ***insists that the term ‘voluntary’ should again be a key element of the definition of CSR and that the Commission must differentiate more between (1) the original CSR concept of charitable acts by businesses, in order to exercise their social responsibility; (2) social acts by businesses based on laws, rules and international standards; and (3) anti-social acts by businesses which violate laws, rules and international standards and is criminal and exploitative, for example child or forced labour; regrets these three aspects are constantly becoming intermingled in the CSR debate; strongly condemns antisocial action by businesses and sees a need to***

compel countries to transpose and enforce international standards in national law; in particular commends businesses – especially SMEs – for their voluntary, charitable involvement in CSR, which it will safeguard and promote; believes that, in a free society, businesses should not be forced to perform charitable acts;

Or. de

Amendment 56
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for inclusivity and consensus-building, and properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on this issue thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the fact that the definition of CSR set out in the Commission communication, which reflects the new approach first adopted by the Commission in the Multi-stakeholder Forum in 2009, provides an indispensable opportunity for inclusivity and consensus-building, and properly reflects the new consensus reached between business and other stakeholders on this issue thanks to the unanimous agreement of the UN Guiding Principles *and other instruments such as the ISO 26000 Guidance Standard on Social Responsibility;*

Or. en

Amendment 57
Minodora Cliveti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Considers that ‘social responsibility’ should also respect fundamental principles and rights such as those specified by the ILO, including in particular freedom of association, the right to collective bargaining, the prohibition on forced labour, the abolition on child labour and the elimination of discrimination at work;

Or. en

**Amendment 58
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Strongly commends the contribution made by the Commissioners for Employment, Enterprise and Internal Market and their services for the forward-looking and constructive approach contained within the Commission Communication; acknowledges the contribution of other parts of the Commission through the Inter-Service Group on CSR; nevertheless calls on the President of the Commission to give personal leadership in the field of CSR and to ensure there is full "ownership" of the Commission's commitment to CSR in particular in the Directorates General for Environment and in those covering external relations;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Agrees with the Commission communication that compliance with the relevant legislation and collective agreements between the social partners is an essential precondition for corporate social responsibility;

Or. it

Amendment 60
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Restates its belief ***in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility;***

5. Restates its belief ***that CSR has to include social measures encompassing vocational training, work-life balance, and appropriate working conditions;***

Or. fr

Amendment 61
Hannu Takkula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for *acting irresponsibly*;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Restates its belief in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility;

Amendment

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Or. de

Amendment 63
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Restates its belief in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility;

Amendment

5. Restates its belief in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility; *believes sufficient existing research exists to prove the "business case" and the priority should be the dissemination of that research; calls for new research on CSR to be devoted to assessment of the cumulative impact of changed business behaviour due to CSR*

in dealing with overall European and global challenges such as carbon emissions, water acidification, extreme poverty, child labour or inequality, and for the lessons learnt to be fed in to Europe's future input in developing global CSR initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Restates its belief in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility;

Amendment

5. Restates its belief in the ‘business case’ for CSR, but reiterates that, where such a case does not apply in the short term in any given situation or company, it can never be used as an excuse for choosing irresponsibility *and that commitments should be monitored while providing for an effective accountability mechanism for dealing with non-compliance;*

Or. en

Amendment 65
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

5a. Maintains that companies must not use CSR as an excuse for marketing their products dishonestly, in particular by relying on false or unproven ecological virtues, since these might mislead consumers;

Amendment 66
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Agrees with the Commission's analysis that CSR is increasingly important for a company's social license to operate, given the incidence of social protest such as the anti-globalisation and "Occupy" movements, of social conflicts and sometimes confrontational industrial relations; believes that the European Union itself must adopt CSR as its own 'social licence' to pursue trade and economic benefits with other countries and regions of the world; in particular considers that CSR must be a 'core' part of Europe's trade policies;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Recognises that a deep flaw in CSR initiatives arises ***when*** companies avoid critical interest groups or sensitive issues relevant to their business; calls on the Commission, working with financial authorities, to build on the previous work of CSR 'laboratories' in order better to identify how companies and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint

6. Recognises that a deep flaw in CSR initiatives arises ***if*** companies ***which pride themselves on practising CSR manage to*** avoid critical interest groups or sensitive issues relevant to their business; calls on the Commission, working with financial authorities ***and the social partners***, to build on the previous work of CSR 'laboratories' in order better to identify how companies

social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question;

and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question;

Or. fr

Amendment 68
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recognises that a deep flaw in CSR initiatives arises when companies avoid critical interest groups or sensitive issues relevant to their business; calls on the Commission, working with financial authorities, to build on the previous work of CSR ‘laboratories’ in order better to identify how companies and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question;

Amendment

6. Recognises that a deep flaw in CSR initiatives arises when companies avoid critical interest groups or sensitive issues relevant to their business **and their global supply chain**; calls on the Commission, working with financial authorities, to build on the previous work of CSR ‘laboratories’ in order better to identify how companies and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Recognises that a deep flaw in CSR initiatives arises when companies avoid critical interest groups or sensitive issues relevant to their business; calls on the Commission, working with financial authorities, to build on the previous work

Amendment

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of CSR ‘laboratories’ in order better to identify how companies and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question;

of CSR ‘laboratories’ in order better to identify how companies and their stakeholders can objectively pinpoint social and environmental issues which are ‘material’ to the business in question; ***and for a fair and balanced selection of stakeholders to be involved in company CSR initiatives;***

Or. en

Amendment 70
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Believes that consumers are increasingly focusing attention on companies’ CSR activities, and therefore urges companies to take a transparent approach, especially to corporate operations related to ethical, social, and environmental concerns;

Or. es

Amendment 71
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Underlines the fact that CSR will only be viable if the legal provisions in force and local tariff regulations of social partners are upheld;

Or. de

Amendment 72
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Stresses that democratically-elected workers' representatives must be more closely involved in the CSR strategy;

Or. de

Amendment 73
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Recognises that CSR actions do not form part of normal business activity, but are an additional source of added value for society and must therefore be voluntary;

Or. es

Amendment 74
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that 'helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis' is part of the social

deleted

responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. de

Amendment 75
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 76
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to **undertake** initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;*

7. Calls on businesses to **consider** initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. de

Amendment 77
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives **for youth job creation** as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls **on the Commission and the Member States to help** businesses to **become involved in CSR and** undertake initiatives **aimed at preserving and creating jobs, especially for young people,** as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. fr

Amendment 78
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment, **establishing for example a system that would enable university graduates to work on internships, in order to get the work experience that is needed by employers in the private sector;**

Or. en

Amendment 79

Mikael Gustafsson, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that 'helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis' is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth **job creation** as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that 'helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis' is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for **the creation of jobs for women and** youth as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 80

Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that 'helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis' is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that 'helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis' is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake, **in cooperation with workers' representatives**, initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. de

Amendment 81

Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation ***in all areas of activity (such as management and training, markets, staff, environment and society)*** as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. de

Amendment 82
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ ***and finding sustainable business models*** is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 83
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation, ***with special regard to young people having multiple disadvantages, such as Roma and disabled people***, as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 84

Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation as a practical example of their commitment;

Amendment

7. Strongly supports the recognition, in the Commission communication, that ‘helping to mitigate the social effects of the current crisis’ is part of the social responsibility of enterprises; calls on businesses to undertake initiatives for youth job creation ***and employment not only of rank-and-file workers but also of senior management staff from the local labour market*** as a practical example of their commitment;

Or. pl

Amendment 85

Minodora Cliveti

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Considers that enterprises should be involved in solving social problems aggravated by the economic crisis, such as lack of housing, poverty, and in the development of the communities in which they work;

Or. en

Amendment 86
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 87
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working

8. Recognises that the economic crisis has been accompanied by a rise in casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working *for many who aspire to*

in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and *the* resurgence of the informal sector, *all of which are a result of* the economic crisis;

full-time jobs; a rise in *sometimes* exploitative work *in particular* through increased sub-contracting and *a* resurgence *in* the informal sector; *calls on the European Commission and the European Multi-stakeholder Forum to specifically examine the growth of sub-contracting as a response to* the economic crisis *and to come forward with recommendations for responsible business; urges this work to be informed by the UN Guiding Principles applicability to the supply chain and in particular to the concept of "impact assessment" irrespective of different tiers of supplier;*

Or. en

Amendment 88
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to *consider possible courses of action in response to* the growing casualisation of employment, *enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;*

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to *focus on* the growing casualisation of employment *and differences in working conditions, which arise partly through subcontracting;*

Or. de

Amendment 89
Mikael Gustafsson, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier
on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

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8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment ***with a special focus on women's employment***, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work ***and labour practices*** through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the ***persistent economic crisis that mostly affects the countries of the European south that face the biggest challenges***;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Hannu Takkula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

Amendment

8. Invites the Multi-stakeholder Forum to consider possible courses of action, ***such as further integrating CSR into education and training or investing in the research and development of CSR initiatives***, in response to the growing casualisation of employment, enforced part-time working in place of full-time employment, the rise in exploitative work through increased sub-contracting and the resurgence of the informal sector, all of which are a result of the economic crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 92

Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

8a. Notes that compliance with legislation on physical working conditions, establishing procedures and policy on recruitment and dismissal, the protection of workers' data and privacy and the timely payment of remuneration and other benefits are also part of CSR, and calls for them to be respected;

Or. pl

Amendment 93

Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that *business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;*

Amendment

9. Recognises that *the crisis is having an effect on the social fabric and welcomes the fact that businesses have taken a wide range of steps to incorporate marginal social and disadvantaged groups in the job market;*

Or. de

Amendment 94
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR *in terms of the* employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on *such* initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR *such as* employment of marginalised groups in society, *improving training and status for these workers, promoting the "living wage," innovating new forms of socially-useful production and services for example through credit unions, promoting new models of employment through social businesses, cooperatives and fair trade;* calls on the *European* Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on *these* initiatives, *and to fully consult with social partners and with CSR stakeholders on its outcome;*

Or. en

Amendment 95
Alejandro Cercas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *marginalised* groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *vulnerable* groups in society *such as persons with disabilities*; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *marginalised* groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *vulnerable* groups in society *such as persons with disabilities*; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and

Amendment

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retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *marginalised* groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of *vulnerable* groups in society, *in particular people with a disability*; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Or. es

Amendment 98
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society *and that it is therefore essential to determine benchmarks for social measures*; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Or. fr

Amendment 99
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society, *especially in the countries of the European South, in which the policies of*

impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

austerity measures have led to further cutbacks on long established employee rights; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 100

Mikael Gustafsson, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier

on behalf of the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives, *including a gender based approach*;

Or. en

Amendment 101

Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives;

Amendment

9. Recognises that business closures and retrenchment are jeopardising some of the gains made through CSR in terms of the employment of marginalised groups in society; calls on the Commission to undertake a major analysis of the social impact of the crisis on such initiatives; *requests companies to keep up with these*

types of initiatives as they can mitigate the negative consequences of the crisis; calls on the Commission and the Member States to reduce administrative burdens and provide incentives for companies undertaking these activities;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Believes that CSR actions do not just benefit society as a whole, but also help a company to improve its image and raise its standing in the eyes of potential consumers, thus enabling it to be economically viable in the long term;

Or. es

Amendment 103
Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Notes that the establishment of skills development and lifelong learning programmes for workers, regular individual assessments of workers and a talent management programme as well as the setting of individual business and development goals for workers increases their motivation and commitment and is an essential part of CSR;

Amendment 104
Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Points out that, particularly in times of crisis, companies operating in accordance with CSR should help to develop the innovative capacities of their region by introducing innovative and environmentally friendly technological solutions in production facilities and through new investments and modernisation;

Amendment 105
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Believes the financial crisis ***has*** shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; ***calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut,***

10. Believes the financial crisis ***may in some cases have*** shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements, ***although the differences between pension systems in the EU must also be taken into account;***

Amendment 106
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; ***calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut;***

Amendment

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements;

Or. en

Amendment 107
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut;

Amendment

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; ***believes companies must be fully accountable for pension investments made including for maintaining payments on a regular and continuous basis;*** calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut; ***following the crisis; invites responsible companies to address this problem working with the Commission and the social partners, including by establishing open, inclusive and rules-based arrangements for managing pension investments, and as part of the wider challenge within CSR to***

address active ageing in an era of demographic change;

Or. en

Amendment 108
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut;

Amendment

10. Believes the financial crisis has shaken employee confidence in company obligations to meet long-term private pension entitlements; calls on companies to take action to redress the imbalance in the eyes of many employees, who believe that their pension entitlements have been disproportionately cut; ***restoration of trust between employees and companies is essential if there is to be a sustainable economic recovery;***

Or. en

Amendment 109
Evelyn Regner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

10a. Calls on the Commission to treat unions and staff representatives, who are essential actors, as partners in dialogue in connection with CSR-related topics, alongside businesses and other stakeholders;

Or. de

Amendment 110
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Emphasises that integration of environmental concerns such as biodiversity, climate change, resource efficiency, environmental health of the CSR into business operations offers potential to promote a sustainable recovery;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. **Endorses** the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the full implementation of those guidelines and principles;

11. **Strongly commends** the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the full implementation of those guidelines and principles **amongst European business**;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Endorses the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the **full implementation** of those guidelines and principles;

Amendment

11. Endorses the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the **support** of those guidelines and principles;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Milan Cabrnoch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Endorses the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the full implementation of those guidelines and principles;

Amendment

11. Endorses the emphasis given in the Commission communication to strengthening and implementing international standards, and – in view of the 2011 update of the OECD Guidelines and agreement of the UN Guiding Principles – believes that a major emphasis of EU action must now be on the full implementation of those guidelines and principles; ***stresses that these OECD guidelines have been defined and acknowledged at the international level in order to set and maintain a level playing field, while fostering open, fair, and responsible business practices worldwide;***

Or. en

Amendment 114
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to consider the feasibility and desirability of developing a European social label for all companies involved in CSR, so as to make their efforts more visible to consumers and investors; suggests that companies bearing such a label be monitored regularly regarding their compliance with the social CSR provisions set out in the label;

Or. fr

Amendment 115
Milan Cabrnoch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Suggests to the Commission to report annually to both the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of these OECD guidelines;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Calls on the Commission to make compliance with the OECD Guidelines compulsory for large European companies;

Or. de

**Amendment 117
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Welcomes in particular the inclusion of the ICT sector for specific European guidelines on business and human rights; recognises the genuine dilemmas created by the need to protect privacy and combat criminal content on the one hand with the objective of defending freedom of expression on the other, as evidenced by the recent controversy created by the anti-Islamic video posted on YouTube; calls for many more European companies to engage with the leading multi-stakeholder initiative in this respect, the Global Network Initiative (GNI), whose membership is currently dominated by US-based companies;

Or. en

**Amendment 118
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12**

Motion for a resolution

12. Insists that all ‘finance for trade and development’ offered to private-sector actors by EU investment facilities, the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development should include contractual clauses requiring compliance with the OECD Guidelines and the UN Guiding Principles;

Amendment

12. Insists that all ‘finance for trade and development’ offered to private-sector actors by EU investment facilities, the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development should include contractual clauses requiring compliance with the OECD Guidelines ***on Multinational Enterprises*** and the UN Guiding Principles ***on Business and Human Rights, with a clear complaints mechanism and sufficient capacity to independently evaluate alleged breaches; reiterates its call for Member States to do the same with respect to the issuing of Export Credits to business;***

Or. en

Amendment 119
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Insists that all ‘finance for trade and development’ offered to private-sector actors by EU investment facilities, the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development should include contractual clauses requiring compliance with the OECD Guidelines and the UN Guiding Principles;

Amendment

12. Insists that all ‘finance for trade and development’ offered to private-sector actors by EU investment facilities, the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development should include contractual clauses requiring compliance with the OECD Guidelines and the UN Guiding Principles ***and that provision should be made for their monitoring and accountability mechanisms for dealing with non-compliance;***

Or. en

Amendment 120
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Welcomes the Commission's initiative on national action plans for the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles; calls on the European External Action Service (EEAS) to play a far greater role in helping to lead implementation at a senior level; calls for a 'peer review process' between Member States in order to advance implementation;

Amendment

13. Welcomes the Commission's initiative on national action plans for the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles ***on Business and Human Rights***; calls on the European External Action Service (EEAS) to play a far greater role in helping to lead implementation at a senior level; calls for a 'peer review process' ***to take place*** between Member States in order to advance implementation; ***calls for the European Commission and EEAS to undertake an evaluation of implementation of the action plans together with an assessment of actions taken at EU level to report to the European Council and Parliament by the end of 2014;***

Or. en

Amendment 121
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Welcomes the Commission's initiative on national action plans for the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles; calls on the European External Action Service (EEAS) to play a far greater role in helping to lead implementation at a senior level; calls for a 'peer review process' between Member States in order to advance implementation;

Amendment

13. Welcomes the Commission's initiative on national action plans for the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles; calls on the European External Action Service (EEAS) to play a far greater role in helping to lead implementation at a senior level ***and in encouraging an effective monitoring and reporting;*** calls for a 'peer review process' between Member States in order to advance

implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Recognises that companies increasingly operate in fragile states and that they have a duty of care to protect their staff from conflict, terrorism and organised crime; nevertheless insists that companies have an equal duty to ensure security arrangements do not prejudice peace or security of others where they operate and which can open them up to accusations of complicity in human rights violation; calls on the Commission and the Member States to secure far greater adoption of the international Voluntary Security Principles and to seek agreement of an international regulatory framework on the regulation, monitoring and oversight of the activities of private military and security companies (PMSCs);

Or. en

Amendment 123
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13b. Calls on enterprises and other stakeholders to engage constructively in

the Commission's process on sector-specific human rights guidance, and to use the resulting guidance when it is complete;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission, in particular its DG Justice, to put forward proposals for better facilitating extraterritorial jurisdiction in EU courts for egregious cases of human rights violation by EU-based businesses or their subsidiaries or business partners;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 125
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission, in particular its DG Justice, to put forward proposals for better facilitating **extraterritorial jurisdiction** in EU courts for egregious cases of human rights violation by **EU-based** businesses **or** their subsidiaries or business partners;

14. Calls on the Commission, in particular its DG Justice, to put forward proposals for better facilitating **access to justice** in EU courts for **the most extreme**, egregious cases of human **or labour** rights violation by **European-based** businesses, their subsidiaries or business partners **where there is insufficient access to remedy in a third country where the alleged violation has taken place, as recommended by the United Nations Secretary-General's**

Or. en

Amendment 126
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Calls on the Commission, in particular its DG Justice, to put forward proposals for better facilitating extraterritorial jurisdiction in EU courts for egregious cases of human rights violation by EU-based businesses or their subsidiaries or business partners;

Amendment

14. Calls on the Commission, in particular its DG Justice, to put forward proposals for better facilitating extraterritorial jurisdiction in EU courts for egregious cases of human rights violation by EU-based businesses or their subsidiaries, *subcontractors* or business partners;

Or. it

Amendment 127
Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Notes, too, the need to develop and establish mechanisms for reporting human rights violations within individual businesses;

Or. pl

Amendment 128
Richard Howitt

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Believes the "Green Matters" study shows definitively the positive link between companies pursuing CSR and achieving better financial performance as they emerge from the crisis; endorses the concept of "responsible competitiveness" and underlines that the potential market for socially and environmentally useful goods and services remains a crucial market opportunity for companies as well as meeting societal need;

Or. en

**Amendment 129
Richard Howitt**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Shares the view of business identified in the Global CEO Survey 2012 that sustainable business growth requires close working with local populations, governments and business partners, and investing in local communities; supports and calls for intensification of business initiatives in job creation, training, helping to manage resource constraints and contributing to health solutions;

Or. en

**Amendment 130
Richard Howitt**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission, in particular *its* DG Trade, to move to an ‘active’ approach to the OECD Guidelines, **ensuring the promotion of**, and continuous support for, *those* guidelines through the EU’s Delegations;

Amendment

15. Calls on the **European** Commission in particular DG Trade to move **from a "passive"** to an "active" approach to the OECD Guidelines, **including through specifically adhering to them similar to the commitment already made to the Investment Principles, ensuring promotion** and continuous support for **the OECD** Guidelines through the EU’s Delegations **in third countries, funding capacity-building initiatives with businesses, trade unions and civil society in third countries on implementation of the Guidelines, ensuring the Guidelines are specifically cited in all new agreements between the EU and third countries including all trade and investment treaties; for the European Union to mount a major diplomatic effort to persuade more countries internationally to become signatories and by providing concrete support to civil society groups for "specific instances" of alleged breaches to be raised, in cooperation with Member States;**

Or. en

Amendment 131
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that CSR **is** an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions; **supports the provision of funding to enable European trade unions to**

Amendment

16. Believes that CSR **can be** an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions;

undertake pilot projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards with a view to building capacity in third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 132
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes *that CSR* is an important tool *in helping the EU to support the* implementation of *ILO* conventions; supports the *provision of* funding to enable European trade unions to undertake pilot projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards *with a view to building capacity in third countries;*

Amendment

16. Believes *CSR* is an important tool *to help the European Union* support implementation of *International Labour Organisation (ILO)* Conventions *internationally*; supports the funding to enable European trade unions to undertake pilot projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards *to build capacity with unions in third countries; asks the European Commission to set a specific target for negotiation and agreement of new Framework Agreements on CSR-related issues and to invite the social partners to conclude these within the context of their new sectorally-based approach to CSR; invites the European Commission in particular the DG Employment to integrate labour standards in CSR by conducting pilot projects on "Decent Work" with third country governments;*

Or. en

Amendment 133
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

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Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that CSR is an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions; **supports the provision of funding to enable** European trade unions to undertake **pilot** projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards with a view to building capacity in third countries;

Amendment

16. Believes that CSR is an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions; **calls on the Commission to support** European **organisations and** trade unions **seeking** to undertake projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards with a view to building capacity in third countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 134
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that CSR is an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions; supports the provision of funding to enable European **trade unions** to undertake pilot projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards with a view to building capacity in third countries;

Amendment

16. Believes that CSR is an important tool in helping the EU to support the implementation of ILO conventions; supports the provision of funding to enable European **social partners** to undertake pilot projects on the OECD Guidelines and other international CSR standards with a view to building capacity in third countries;

Or. de

Amendment 135
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Agrees with the Commission communication that "respect for

applicable legislation and for collective agreements between social partners is a prerequisite for meeting CSR"; believes CSR should complement, but in no way replace, legislation, collective bargaining or dialogue with workers organised in trade unions that companies should commit themselves to discuss their CSR policy – and elements such as an annual company report on the social and environmental impact of their activities - with the employees and their representatives; believes that an optional frame of rules for EFAs should be adopted on the basis of the possible contents of such a framework, as described in Staff Working Document from the Commission on that subject.

Or. en

Amendment 136
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Notes that the ILO Helpdesk for Business on International Labour Standards as one-stop shop for managers could serve as baseline indicators for effective CSR reporting;

Or. en

Amendment 137
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes **business use of** the UN Rio+20 summit to advocate a new global convention on corporate responsibility;

Amendment

17. Welcomes **those from business who used** the UN Rio+20 summit to advocate a new global convention on corporate responsibility **in the UN system; believes that although such a convention is probably some years away, Europe should constructively engage in the debate; nevertheless believes that such discussions must not distract policy-makers in business and government from proceeding with implementation of existing CSR instruments as a matter of urgency; draws attention to the fact that there are different models on how new forms of global governance on CSR might emerge as well as through the UN system, for example by promoting the growth of the OECD Guidelines amongst non-members or through a free-standing initiative from like-minded governments; calls on the European Union, the European Commission and the Member States to develop and advocate specific proposals for a concrete and verifiable business contribution to be agreed as part of the proposed UN Sustainable Development goals post-2015;**

Or. en

Amendment 138
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Endorses the view, dating from the **June 2004** report of the **Multi-stakeholder** Forum, that public authorities can **make** a significant **contribution by** using convening, incentivising **and** regulatory

Amendment

18. Endorses the view dating from the **first** report of the **Multistakeholder** Forum **in June 2004** that public authorities can **play** a significant **role** using convening, incentivising **as well as** regulatory roles to

roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

advance CSR, and calls on the Member States *through the High Level Group and elsewhere* to give *a* major new impetus to these efforts;

Or. en

Amendment 139
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening, *incentivising and regulatory* roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Amendment

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening *and incentivising* roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening, incentivising *and regulatory* roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Amendment

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening *and* incentivising roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Or. de

Amendment 141
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution **by using convening, incentivising and regulatory roles** to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Amendment

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Or. es

Amendment 142
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening, incentivising and regulatory roles to advance CSR, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Amendment

18. Endorses the view, dating from the June 2004 report of the Multi-stakeholder Forum, that public authorities can make a significant contribution by using convening, incentivising and regulatory roles to advance CSR, **not least in public procurement**, and calls on the Member States to give major new impetus to these efforts;

Or. fr

Amendment 143
Minodora Cliveti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Considers that members states should hold companies accountable for the adoption of principles and proactive policies in order to counter discrimination and social exclusion, to promote gender equality and to respect the fundamental rights of all;

Or. en

Amendment 144
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Invites the Commission and Member States given the multi-stakeholder approach to CSR, to consider broadening observer attendance at the bi-annual High Level Group meetings to include observer representatives comprising the two Rapporteurs from Relevant committees of the European Parliament, representatives from the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Human Rights Council and the International Labour Organisation, and from one nominee each from European business, trade unions and civil society agreed from the co-ordinating committee of the Multi-Stakeholder Forum;

Or. en

Amendment 145
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Supports a formal examination of the ‘Solidarité proposal’ for an inter-institutional human resources programme in the EU institutions to facilitate the involvement of the institutions’ staff and trainees in volunteering, humanitarian and social activities, both as part of staff training and volunteering in their own time; taking into account that the proposed programme is cost saving and highly value-adding and would help to promote as well as implement EU policies and programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 146
Minodora Cliveti

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Considers that members states should encourage companies to develop policies and put in place measures regarding the need to respect the private and family life of all their employees; these policies and measures should conform to the principle of equality, and should extend to negotiations on the length and organization of working hours, salary levels, making certain practical facilities available for workers, and flexible working conditions, including the nature of employment contracts and the availability of career breaks;

Or. en

Amendment 147
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Recognises that social indicators lag behind environmental indices in terms of economic valuation and general specificity in many CSR initiatives; despite the handbook on social procurement believes that the European Union itself has been too constrained in this area; calls for a study on "valuing social capital" leading to a wide-ranging European-led debate on better integrating social impact in sustainable business management; supports funding for pilot projects to develop social indices, social ratings agencies and the practice of social auditing in some Member States and business sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 148
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. The Lisbon Treaty heralds solidarity as one of the founding values of the EU. It aims to ensure belonging, cooperation and active citizenship across the Union. At the same time, however, the need pointed out by the Laeken Declaration in 2001 that the EU Institutions be brought closer to the Union's citizens is an ongoing call, and, faced with the

challenges of the present world, EU officials need to be integrally in touch with society and reality.

Or. en

Amendment 149
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18c. Remains unclear how far successive amendments to EU procurement rules have actually been taken-up by public authorities and what overall impact has been achieved in improved environmental or social performance of business as a result as well as to incentivising CSR; calls for further research and evaluation of impact accordingly leading to clear recommendations to provide easily-understandable incentives to business; asks for this to include study of the growing practice of businesses building in CSR clauses in their own private purchasing i.e. in business-to-business contracts, and calls for the identification of good practice in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18d. Commends the Commission for undertaking CSR pilot projects to support

employee volunteering schemes; urges all Member States to include employee volunteering in their national action plans; calls for a "compact" to be signed through the European Volunteer Centre (CEV) to engage civil society organisations from throughout Europe to engage business to this objective; points out that practical schemes such as mentoring or genuine work exchange schemes can break down barriers for unemployed and excluded people and contribute to social and economic objectives; supports a formal examination of the 'Solidarité proposal' for an inter-institutional human resources programme in the EU institutions to facilitate the involvement of the institutions' staff and trainees in volunteering, humanitarian and social activities, both as part of staff training and volunteering in their own time;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18e. Encourages the use of Information Communication Technology and social media to encourage those interested globally to take a more active part in multi-stakeholder consultations;

Or. en

Amendment 152
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends **many** Member States for **their** efforts to develop and implement national action plans on CSR in consultation with national **multi-stakeholder forums**; expresses concern, **however, that the number** of public policy measures **is not yet matched by their** impact in advancing CSR;

Amendment

19. Commends Member States for **considerable** efforts to develop and implement national action plans on CSR in consultation with national **multi-stakeholders in many EU countries**; **however** expresses concern **that a large variety** of public policy measures **has yet to yield significant visible** impact in advancing CSR; **calls for there to be greater research and evaluation into public policy measures on CSR at the European level; calls for the European Commission itself to show its own "leadership by example" as a responsible employer by publishing it's own CSR report according to the GRI's public sector supplement, offering Commission staff 'matched' time-off to pursue employee volunteering initiatives and by reviewing use of pension fund investments according to ethical criteria;**

Or. en

Amendment 153
Birgit Sippel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

19a. Welcomes the Commission's desire to formulate the new Public Procurement Directives in a way which is socially and environmentally more sustainable; notes that binding collective labour agreements are especially important in this context; stresses that social criteria for the award of contracts, such as access to training, equality, fair trade and the social

Amendment

integration of disadvantaged workers and people with disabilities, can provide businesses with an incentive to increase their social responsibility;

Or. de

Amendment 154
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Urges the Member States to establish favourable scenarios to help companies pursue CSR activities;

Or. es

Amendment 155
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Calls for the European Year of Citizenship 2013 to include a specific strand on business citizenship, inviting entrepreneurs and business people to engage with existing CSR initiatives in Member States and at the EU-level to promote and develop the concept of a "good corporate citizen";

Or. en

Amendment 156
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Welcomes the recognition of the role which must be played by public procurement in promoting CSR in practice; considers it important accordingly that measures be taken under the new directive seeking to include social and environmental factors, progress beyond the award of contracts to 'the lowest bidder' and make compulsory compliance with the provisions of international, European and national law and with the collective agreements applicable at the place where the works are carried out or the goods or services provided;

Or. it

**Amendment 157
Jim Higgins**

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

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Supports a formal examination of the 'Solidarité proposal' for an inter-institutional human resources programme in the EU institutions to facilitate the involvement of the institutions' staff and trainees in volunteering, humanitarian and social activities, both as part of staff training and volunteering in their own time.

Highlights the fact that the proposed programme is cost saving and highly value-adding and would help to

implement EU policies and programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 158
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19b. Welcomes the European Commission's intention to base its new award scheme by building on existing practices on this area; believes that the awards can incentivise CSR but only if winners represent genuine best practice at their national, European and global level; invites the European Commission to set up an independent panel of experts to assess this and to "audit" the scheme in this and future years on a continuing basis; asks that the publicity around the awards reflects the real complexity of the challenges being faced and emphasises lessons for all companies and not exclusively the winners;

Or. en

Amendment 159
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19b. Considers it essential for the Commission to develop as soon as possible the announced common methodology for the measurement of environmental performance based on the

life-cycle cost. Such a methodology would be useful in terms of both transparency of company information and assessment by the authorities of companies' environmental performance;

Or. it

Amendment 160
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Calls on the Commission to accelerate its efforts to **put** forward new proposals **for meeting** governance gaps with regard to international CSR standards, as recommended in the 'Edinburgh Study' it commissioned;

Amendment

20. Calls on the Commission to accelerate its efforts to **bring** forward new proposals **in its work programme to meet** governance gaps with regard to international CSR standards, as recommended in the 'Edinburgh Study' it commissioned;

Or. en

Amendment 161
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

20a. Commends the European Commission's plans to advance initiatives in the fields of responsible production and consumption; believes the EU can build on the experience of CSR initiatives which have undertaken specific training and capacity-building for purchasers within companies; believes the planned initiative on transparency can be a major driver for the ethical consumer

Amendment

20a. Commends the European Commission's plans to advance initiatives in the fields of responsible production and consumption; believes the EU can build on the experience of CSR initiatives which have undertaken specific training and capacity-building for purchasers within companies; believes the planned initiative on transparency can be a major driver for the ethical consumer

movement; remains sceptical of new initiatives for social and environmental labels at an EU-wide, national or sectoral level, instead preferring continuing support to existing labelling initiatives to continuously promote collaboration from "bottom-up" under the auspices of the International Social and Environmental Accreditation and Labelling (ISEAL) Alliance;

Or. en

Amendment 162
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Calls on the Member States to take action to enhance the effectiveness of policies to promote corporate social responsibility by, for example, introducing rewards for responsible corporate behaviour in the form of investment policy incentives and access to public investment;

Or. el

Amendment 163
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. Urges the Commission to contribute effectively to the guidance and coordination of EU Member State policies, thereby minimising the risk of

additional costs being incurred by businesses operating in more than one Member State as a result of divergent provisions;

Or. el

Amendment 164
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20c. Points out that most small, medium and micro enterprises continue to adopt a more informal and intuitive approach to corporate social responsibility and that it would perhaps be appropriate to adopt measures in line with the size of the enterprises and the nature of their activities so as to foster awareness of corporate social responsibility without any increase in costs or bureaucratic burdens;

Or. el

Amendment 165
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be *principles-based*;

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand, *but the primary focus should not remain confined to environmental aspects*; notes, in this vein, that disclosure to investors and consumers is a key driver of CSR and must

be based *on readily applicable and measurable social and environmental principles*;

Or. fr

Amendment 166
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be principles-based;

Amendment

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially *and sustainably* responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be principles-based;

Or. en

Amendment 167
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be principles-*based*;

Amendment

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be *based on voluntary* principles;

Or. de

Amendment 168
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be principles-based;

Amendment

21. Notes that a key driver of the socially responsible investment market remains institutional investor demand; notes, in this vein, that disclosure is a key driver of CSR and must be principles-based; **welcomes the Commission's moves to engage with the investor community on CSR issues; calls for this engagement to be firmly based on support for the UN Principles for Responsible investment and the principle of integrated reporting (IR);**

Or. en

Amendment 169
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

21a. Considers that the publicity given to companies' activities is very important because it enables consumers to make objective assessments regarding the companies most deserving of their custom and/or investment;

Or. es

Amendment 170
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Notes that beneficiaries of long-term investors such as pension funds have an interest in sustainable returns and in responsible corporate behaviour; believes that it is important that the incentives of investment agents are effectively aligned with beneficiaries' interests, and do not restrict them to a narrow interpretation of those interests which focuses solely on the maximisation of short-term returns; endorses a legal framework supports this aim; welcomes that the Commission is developing proposals on long-term investing and on corporate governance which will help to address these issues

Or. en

Amendment 171
Milan Cabrnoch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

deleted

Amendment 172
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

deleted

Amendment 173
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and

22. Supports the Commission in putting forward a proposal for guidelines on non-financial disclosure by businesses which gives the EU the opportunity to recommend European businesses to apply the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights¹ and the UN Global

human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Compact; the proposal should be harmonised with integrated reporting as currently being developed by the International Integrated Reporting Committee (IIRC); it should also be pointed out that the impact of business action and social commitment can also be measured in terms of amounts of money;

¹Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary- General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, John Ruggie: Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implementing the United Nations “Protect, Respect and Remedy” Framework, 21 March 2011

Or. xm

Amendment 174
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. *Fully supports* the Commission’s intention to put forward a legislative proposal on ‘non-financial disclosure’ by businesses; *warns that use of the term ‘non-financial’ should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;*

Amendment

22. *Is critical of* the Commission’s intention to put forward a legislative proposal on ‘non-financial disclosure’ by businesses; *cannot agree with the introduction of compulsory reporting with regard to voluntary charitable acts, as this goes against the idea of a free society and would give rise to administration and expense which would gravely endanger voluntary commitment, particularly for businesses with fewer than 500 staff; calls for greater discrimination and more prudent use of the term CSR, the principal meaning of which is charitable, informal and intuitive CSR commitment; warmly welcomes the aim of uncovering*

human rights abuses and criminal activities and urges countries to punish these severely; considers that the failings of a few have led to businesses as a whole being pilloried and threatened with possible reporting obligations, with their attendant increased burden and expense; calls for differentiated proposals from the Commission;

Or. de

Amendment 175
Danuta Jazłowiecka

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Amendment

22. Agrees that the issue of 'non-financial disclosure' by business requires further consideration; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; stresses, however, that any solutions must not create excessive administrative burdens, particularly not for SMEs;

Or. pl

Amendment 176
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. **Fully supports** the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; **warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;**

Amendment

22. **Welcomes** the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; **however, reporting on 'non-financial issues' should remain flexible and a choice of each business according to its needs and strategy;**

Or. en

Amendment 177

Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Amendment

22. **Welcomes the introduction of non-financial disclosure requirements by many Member States but reminds that different national disclosure requirements could create additional costs for enterprises operating in more than one Member State; therefore,** fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many

current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Or. en

Amendment 178
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Amendment

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; ***commends that this proposal is based on a wide-ranging public consultation as well as a series of workshops with relevant stakeholders;*** warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Or. en

Amendment 179
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade;

Amendment

22. Fully supports the Commission's intention to put forward a legislative proposal on 'non-financial disclosure' by businesses; warns that use of the term 'non-financial' should not disguise the very real financial consequences for business of social, environmental and human-rights-related impact; calls for an ambitious proposal which places the EU right among the many current international initiatives on mandatory corporate sustainability reporting and squarely within the objective of making Integrated Reporting, as being developed by the IIRC, the global norm by the end of the decade; ***believes that a "comply or explain" system is a useful tool in CSR; is in favour of introducing a CSR policy in businesses and that any deviation from a CSR policy should be explained in a meaningful way;***

Or. en

Amendment 180
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Underlines that CSR is led by business and that companies must be able to report in a way which is appropriate and relevant for their particular situation;

Or. en

Amendment 181
Sergio Gaetano Cofferati

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Calls on the Commission accordingly to propose a clear legislative framework making compulsory non-financial disclosure by major European companies and specifying the minimum amount of information which must be provided (including environmental data, taking account of life-cycle costs, social aspects, in particular respect for human rights, and governance) and the methodology; notes that information should also be given regarding subcontracting and supply chains; calls for the drafting of simplified framework provisions which may be adopted by SMEs ;

Or. it

Amendment 182
Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Notes that to enhance the credibility of a business's actions, the social report should be verified by an external body;

Or. pl

Amendment 183
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Endorses a continuing leading role for

23. Endorses a continuing leading role for

the European Multi-stakeholder Forum in supporting the implementation of the proposals set out in the Commission communication;

the European Multi-stakeholder Forum in supporting the implementation of the proposals set out in the Commission communication; *points out that if it were geared more closely to SMEs, CSR could spread more widely in all parts of Europe;*

Or. fr

Amendment 184
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Endorses a continuing leading role for the European Multi-stakeholder Forum in supporting the implementation of the proposals set out in the Commission communication;

Amendment

23. Endorses a continuing leading role for the European Multi-stakeholder Forum in supporting the implementation of the proposals set out in the Commission communication; *calls on all participants to engage in the work of the forum with an approach which is flexible, open-minded and consensus-building in the true spirit of CSR;*

Or. en

Amendment 185
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

23a. Insists that trade union rights and freedoms are at the centre of any CSR strategy, commends the extensive EU framework of sectoral and cross-sectoral social dialogue structures and calls for full and active consultation and involvement of representative

organisations and trade unions in particular in the development, operation and monitoring of companies' CSR processes and structures, working with employers in a genuine partnership approach;

Or. en

Amendment 186
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23b. Calls for CSR policies to include specific measures to tackle the unlawful practice of blacklisting workers and denying them access to employment, often due to their trade union membership and activities or health and safety representative role;

Or. en

Amendment 187
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23c. Insists that any enterprise that is found to be blacklisting workers or breaching human rights and labour standards should be excluded from receiving EU grants and funding and from taking part in calls for tender for other public procurement contracts at EU, national or public authority level;

Amendment 188
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23d. Asks the Commission to introduce a more open and clear procedure for filing and considering complaints of non-compliance to CSR principles, including enforcement mechanisms and initiating investigations, where necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23e. Notes that CSR policies must be respected not only by the main company or contractor but also by any sub-contractors or supply chains which it may use, whether in the supply of goods, workers or services and whether based in the EU or in a third country, thereby ensuring a level playing field based on fair pay and decent working conditions, and guaranteeing trade union rights and freedoms;

Or. en

Amendment 190
Richard Howitt, Stephen Hughes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23f. Endorses the Commission's Directive on minimum standards for victims and calls for the CSR policies of companies in the relevant sectors (such as travel, insurance, accommodation and telecommunications) to include positive and practical strategies and structures to support victims of crime and their families during a crisis, and to set up specific policies for any employee who becomes a victim of crime, whether in the workplace or outside;

Or. en

Amendment 191
Thomas Mann

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 192
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, ***recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together*** with other international bodies, to ***make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;***

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but ***that there must be sufficient flexibility when implementing CSR guidelines to cater for the specific requirements of each Member State and region and in particular with regard to the capacities of SMEs; welcomes, however, the Commission's cooperation*** with other international bodies to ***achieve a fundamental convergence of CSR initiatives in the long term;***

Or. de

Amendment 193
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR ***but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation,*** calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ***'convergence'*** of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR; ***recognises that the various public, private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional awareness on the importance of CSR policies;*** calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ***'internalisation'*** of CSR Initiatives ***within the business community;***

Or. en

Amendment 194
Veronica Lope Fontagné

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR **but, recognising** that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives **can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation**, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the **long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives**;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR **and recognises** that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives **demonstrates the value of the voluntary approach, although there is still room for improvement**; calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the **exchange and promotion of good corporate practice regarding CSR**;

Or. es

Amendment 195
Milan Cabrnoch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR **but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation**, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 196
Philippe Boulland

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of *private and voluntary* initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of **CSR** initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' of CSR initiatives;

Or. fr

Amendment 197
Malika Benarab-Attou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' *of* CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a 'one size fits all' approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation ***undermining trust and fairness***, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of 'convergence' *of binding* CSR initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 198
Jutta Steinruck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, ***with the participation of Parliament and the Council and*** together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives;

Or. de

Amendment 199
Antigoni Papadopoulou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission ***to play a much more active role***, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 200
Ole Christensen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation, calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives;

Amendment

24. Agrees that there cannot be a ‘one size fits all’ approach to CSR but, recognising that the profusion of private and voluntary initiatives can generate additional costs and be a barrier to implementation; calls on the Commission, together with other international bodies, to make a commitment to supporting the long-term objective of ‘convergence’ of CSR initiatives, ***as well as pushing forward the guidelines found in the International Standard ISO 26000 so as to ensure a single global, coherent and transparent definition of CSR;***

Or. en

Amendment 201
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

24a. Believes that the notion that CSR is a "luxury good" supported by business only in good economic times has been decisively refuted by the continuing high levels of business engagement with CSR; believes that this was an old-fashioned assumption which ignores the importance of reputation and also of the level of external risk to modern business profitability; calls for all European policy-makers to themselves integrate CSR at all levels of economic policy including reinforcing CSR within the Europe 2020 Strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 202
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Calls on the Member States, in cooperation with the Commission and, as appropriate, with universities, to promote corporate social responsibility through inclusion of the relevant material in the context of education and vocational training, thereby enhancing the role of CSR in the business sector and fostering awareness of sustainable consumption;

Or. el

Amendment 203
Konstantinos Poupakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24b Takes the view that the social partners can play a major role in promoting corporate social responsibility, which, it should be noted, contributes to and facilitates social dialogue;

Or. el

Amendment 204
Kinga Göncz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR into management education for all;

Amendment

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR, ***responsible management and responsible citizenship*** into management education for all; ***calls on the Commission to provide further financial support for education and training projects on CSR under the EU Lifelong Learning and Youth in Action Programmes;***

Or. en

Amendment 205
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR into management education for all;

Amendment

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR into management education for all ***future business leaders; believes that this must begin with CSR education for school-age children involved in young entrepreneurship schemes;***

Or. en

Amendment 206
Nadja Hirsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR into management education for all;

Amendment

25. Commends the work being undertaken in some business schools to promote CSR, but recognises that they are only a minority; calls on the High-Level Group to address ways of mainstreaming CSR into management education for all ***so that it will become a keystone in strategic corporate governance***;

Or. de

Amendment 207
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission, and to the governments and parliaments of the Member States.

Amendment

26. Calls on the Commission to safeguard established, well-functioning CSR-initiatives by introducing a CSR-Test, which shall assess the impact of forthcoming legislative and administrative initiatives on CSR measures and take relevant results into account when designing proposals;

Or. en

Amendment 208
Heinz K. Becker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

26a. Welcomes, for the sake of sustainability, obligations imposed on market operators and calls on the

Amendment

Commission to monitor and evaluate CSR initiatives.

Or. de

Amendment 209

Marian Harkin, Jean Lambert, Sari Essayah, Malika Benarab-Attou, Edward McMillan-Scott

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Recognises that the Laeken Declaration in 2001 points out that the EU institutions need to be brought closer to the Unions citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 210

Marian Harkin, Jean Lambert, Sari Essayah, Malika Benarab-Attou, Edward McMillan-Scott

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26b. Supports the development of the 'Solidarité proposal' for an inter-institutional human resources programme in the EU Institutions to facilitate the involvement of the Institutions' staff and trainees in community engagement through benevolent humanitarian and positive social activities, both as part of staff training and volunteering in their own time.

Or. en