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# **AMENDMENT 129 - 159**

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**Amendment 129**

**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Matteo Salvini**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 3 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**- having regard to the Commission Communication of 28 November 2012 entitled 'Annual Growth Survey 2013' (COM(2012)0750) and the Commission Report entitled 'State of the Single Market Integration 2013 – Contribution to the Annual Growth Survey 2013' (COM(2012)0752),**

Or. en

**Amendment 130**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**– having regard to the Commission White Paper of 28 March 2011 entitled 'Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system' (COM(2011)0144),**

Or. en

**Amendment 131**

**Konstantinos Poupakis**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas as indicated by the Consumer Markets Scoreboards and the Single Market integration check-up for the four freedoms, the increased competition resulting from the integration process works as a powerful incentive to offer a wider variety of cheaper and higher quality products for European consumers;***

Or. en

**Amendment 132  
Toine Manders**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Ra. whereas the potential of SOLVIT remains under-used as a key problem-solving tool at national level; whereas more intensive communication to European citizens on SOLVIT should be encouraged, in order to better exploit its potential, without exceeding the current budget;***

Or. en

**Amendment 133  
Emma McClarkin**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Ta. whereas, to improve Single Market governance, there should be a zero tolerance policy in relation to Member States that do not implement the rules of the Single Market properly;***

Or. en

**Amendment 134**  
**Emma McClarkin**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital AA**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

AA. whereas the Commission proposes to target its activities towards specific key areas and instruments; whereas however a stronger focus on a limited number of instruments and actions is necessary in order to achieve tangible improvements in the application of Single Market rules; whereas the digital Single Market, the energy *sector* and public procurement figure among the most important key areas; whereas such key areas and instruments could be reviewed on an annual basis so that the current developments in the Member States and decision-making processes between the Union's institutions, and in particular the economically relevant areas – based on a scientific evaluation – for the Single Market are duly reflected and taken into account;

AA. whereas the Commission proposes to target its activities towards specific key areas and instruments; whereas however a stronger focus on a limited number of instruments and actions is necessary in order to achieve tangible improvements in the application of Single Market rules; whereas the digital Single Market, the *services and energy sectors* and public procurement figure among the most important key areas *for growth*; whereas such key areas and instruments could be reviewed on an annual basis so that the current developments in the Member States and decision-making processes between the Union's institutions, and in particular the economically relevant areas – based on a scientific evaluation – for the Single Market are duly reflected and taken into account;

Or. en

**Amendment 135**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Subtitle 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*A Single European Transport Area*

Or. en

**Amendment 136**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAa. whereas a properly functioning and fully completed Single Market cannot be effective without a single, interconnected and efficient European transport system which is crucial to the smooth movement of goods, people and services – the essential and underlying freedoms for a Single Market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 137**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAb. whereas a Single European*

*Transport Area should ease the movements of citizens and freight, reduce costs and enhance the sustainability of European transport, through the completion of interoperable and sustainable trans-European transport networks, and by eliminating all residual barriers between modes and national systems while facilitating the emergence of multinational and multimodal operators;*

Or. en

**Amendment 138**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAc. whereas, in order to ensure that the Single European Transport Area delivers concrete results for businesses and citizens, the evaluation of its state should become an integral part of the annual cycle of the European Semester which would be used as a platform for policy guidance, reporting, monitoring and assessment of the progress made by the Member States and the Union and for defining remedial action;*

Or. en

**Amendment 139**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAAd. whereas it is necessary to establish a true internal market for rail services by opening-up the domestic rail passenger market to competition and granting all Union licensed railway undertakings the right to bid for public service contracts, while safeguarding quality of rail transport services and public service obligations;*

Or. en

**Amendment 140**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA e (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAe. whereas the European maritime transport space without barriers should be further developed into a 'Blue Belt' of free maritime movement in and around Europe, and whereas an appropriate framework to optimise the internal market for inland waterway transport should be established; whereas, to that end, it is necessary to remove barriers that prevent the increased use of inland waterborne transport and to simplify the formalities for ships travelling between Union ports by removing restrictions which put intra-Union shipping at a disadvantage in comparison to other transport modes;*

Or. en



**Amendment 141**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA f (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAf. whereas the Commission and the Member States should accelerate the implementation of the Single European Sky in order to improve safety, capacity, efficiency and the environmental impact of aviation, through the deployment of the future air traffic management system (SESAR) and the establishment of functional airspace blocks in the agreed timeframe;*

Or. en

**Amendment 142**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA g (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAg. whereas it is necessary to review the market situation of road freight transport as well as the degree of convergence of, among others, road user charges, social and safety legislation, transposition and enforcement of legislation in the Member States, with a view to further opening road transport markets, in particular by eliminating remaining restrictions on road cabotage;*

Or. en

**Amendment 143**

**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AA h (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AAh. whereas it is essential to develop a uniform interpretation of Union law on passenger rights and a harmonised and effective enforcement, to ensure both a level playing field for the industry and a European standard of protection for the citizens;*

Or. en

**Amendment 144**

**Toine Manders**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AB a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ABa. whereas the situation as regards PSCs is very diverse among Member States; whereas the user-friendliness, level of detail and clarity of information provided by the PSCs, as well as the linguistic availability and online procedures, should be improved in all Member States in a cost-effective manner without exceeding the current budget;*

Or. en

**Amendment 145**

**Konstantinos Poupakis**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADa. whereas the country-specific recommendations should, at the same time, offer to the Member States more practical solutions for improving the functioning of the Single Market, so that stronger public support and political commitment are created to encourage the completion of the Single Market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 146**  
**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Matteo Salvini,**  
**Konstantinos Poupakis, Emma McClarkin**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADa. whereas the Annual Growth Survey 2013 has launched the third European Semester cycle and includes now for the first time an annual report on the state of the Single Market integration; whereas this stronger focus on the Single Market in the context of the European Semester is necessary in order to better exploit its growth and employment potentials in Europe and to allow citizens and businesses to fully benefit from it;*

Or. en

**Amendment 147**  
**Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Evelyne Gebhardt**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADa. whereas the report on the State of the Single Market Integration 2013 does however not provide any new insights on the state of play in Member States nor draw sufficiently elaborated conclusions with regard to concrete growth potentials generated by the Single Market; whereas the choice of priority areas in the integration report should be backed by comprehensive data;*

Or. en

**Amendment 148**  
**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Matteo Salvini, Konstantinos Poupakis, Emma McClarkin**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADb. whereas the report on the State of the Single Market Integration 2013 does however not provide any new insights on the state of play in Member States nor draw sufficiently elaborated conclusions with regard to concrete growth potentials; whereas the choice of priority areas in the integration report should be backed by comprehensive data;*

Or. en

**Amendment 149**  
**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Matteo Salvini,**

**Konstantinos Poupakis**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADc. whereas future reports on the State of the Single Market Integration should therefore be clearer on current deficiencies in the Single Market, and provide more concrete guidance on possible remedies and the expected benefits, in order to enable meaningful responses by Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 150**

**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Konstantinos Poupakis**

**Motion for a resolution  
Recital AD d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADd. whereas this year's report emphasises in particular the services sector and calls, among others, for a full compliance with the Services Directive; whereas this is a valid call but merely compelling, if it is not accompanied by both supportive and stringent measures on the correct transposition and interpretation of that Directive;*

Or. en

**Amendment 151**

**Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Evelyne Gebhardt**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AD d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***ADd. whereas the Commission is right to note that labour mobility across Europe is still too low and stronger measures are needed in order to remove all the obstacles and to guarantee the equal treatment and conditions of all workers;***

Or. en

**Amendment 152**

**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Matteo Salvini**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AD e (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***ADe. whereas the report lists a number of priorities for the energy and transport markets, and whereas many of those priorities point to the lack of investments and competition in some areas; whereas further research is needed in order to make a strong case for specific actions and calls upon Member States;***

Or. en

**Amendment 153**

**Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Evelyne Gebhardt**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital AD b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***ADb. whereas the report lists a number of priorities for the energy and transport***

*markets, and whereas many of those priorities point to the lack of national and European investments and competition in some areas;*

Or. en

**Amendment 154**  
**Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Evelyne Gebhardt**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital AD e (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADe. whereas the Late Payment Directive is a fundamental instrument to reduce the huge debt of public administrations towards many companies, especially medium and small enterprises, and whereas its transposition should take place quickly and properly in order to reduce the numbers of insolvency situations;*

Or. en

**Amendment 155**  
**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Matteo Salvini, Konstantinos Poupakis, Emma McClarkin**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital AD f (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADf. whereas the digital economy is also considered as a priority area; whereas timely and correct transposition and implementation of the Consumer Rights Directive is one of the essential factors for the development of this economy;*

**Amendment 156**  
**Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Evelyne Gebhardt**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital AD g (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADg. whereas more innovative actions are needed in order to support the Single Market based on the social market economy; whereas the Annual Growth Survey 2013 brought forward an interesting proposal on the introduction of a consumer insolvency regime, and whereas this proposal should be further explored, considering that this kind of measures can play a fundamental role both for consumer protection and prevention of possible systemic risks for the financial sector;*

**Amendment 157**  
**Andreas Schwab, Toine Manders, Matteo Salvini**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital AD g (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*ADg. whereas more innovative actions are needed in order to support the Single Market based on the social market economy; whereas the Annual Growth Survey 2013 brought forward an interesting proposal on the introduction of a consumer insolvency regime, and whereas this proposal should be further explored to determine its feasibility and*



*usefulness;*

Or. en

**Amendment 158**  
**Konstantinos Poupakis**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*AEa. whereas, as indicated by the annual report of the Single Market integration, Member States in the energy market should focus on the gradual phasing out of regulated prices while ensuring robust competition and strengthening the protection of vulnerable consumers; whereas this procedure will send the correct price signals needed to secure enough investment and enhance energy efficiency while, in the longer run, it would provide consumers with more choice and sustainable market prices;*

Or. en

**Amendment 159**  
**Brian Simpson, on behalf of the Committee on Transport and Tourism**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Annex - recommendation 7 - indent 3 - point c a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*(ca) A regular reporting, monitoring and assessment of the progress made by the Member States with regard to the implementation and application of legislation and policy initiatives aimed at establishing a Single European Transport*

*Area, including the submission by  
Member States of national action plans,  
their assessment by the Commission and  
the formulation of country-specific  
recommendations;*

Or. en