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Draft opinion
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A new EU Forest Strategy: for forests and the forest-based sector
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Amendment 1
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
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Amendment

1. Stresses that the responsibility for forestry rests solely with the Member States, that the principle of subsidiarity must be upheld, and that the differences in regional conditions, ownership models and priorities across the Member States must be respected;

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Or. en

Amendment 2
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo

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Amendment

1. Stresses that the responsibility for forestry rests solely with the Member States, that the principle of subsidiarity must be upheld, and that the differences in regional conditions, ownership models and priorities across the Member States must be respected;

1. Welcomes the Commission communication on a new European forest strategy, bearing in mind that – with due regard to the subsidiarity principle - there is a need for a comprehensive and consistent joint strategy to strengthen the multifunctional role of forests and forest sector in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Fredrick Federley, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Olli Rehn, Marit Paulsen, Nils Torvalds, Morten Helveg Petersen, Kaja Kallas, Pavel Telička, Ulrike Müller

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1. Stresses that the responsibility for forestry rests solely with the Member States, that the principle of subsidiarity must be upheld, and that the differences in regional conditions, ownership models and priorities across the Member States must be respected, ***and that the EU should refrain from imposing any new market restrictions for forests and wood-based products in order to ensure the ownership principles and freedom of market for the participants in the forest value chain;***

Or. en

Amendment 4
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1a. Recognizes that as a growing number of EU policies and different sectors are making increasing demands on forests and increasing competition over forest resources, demand for new uses in the economy and for energy should be coordinated with traditional demands including nature conservation and recreation to ensure a long term balance among the multiple forest functions and demands, while taking into account forest' capacities and sustainability boundaries; in this connection asks the European Commission to ensure that EU policies are designed to support the resource efficient use of forest biomass;

Amendment 5

Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo, Neoklis Sylikiotis

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Recognises that sustainable forest management is essential to balance ecological, social and economic functions that forests serve, and that the existing sustainable forest management frameworks often do not adequately address risks associated with the lack of a balanced approach to forestry such as increasing demands;

Amendment 6

Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo, Neoklis Sylikiotis

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Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1a. Welcomes the study assessing the impact of EU consumption on deforestation published by the European Commission in July 2013; regrets that despite the request made by the Parliament in its resolution 2010/C 184 E/08 of 23 April 2009, the study does not deal with forest degradation; Calls on the Commission to bring forward proposals to reduce the impacts identified in the study and contribute to EU and international environmental goals and commitments to sustainable development; calls on the Commission to publish an EU action plan

on deforestation and forest degradation to this end as called for by the 7th Environmental Action Programme Decision No 1386/2013/EU;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Dan Nica, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Welcomes the adoption of the new Communication on EU Forestry Strategy, as it provides a framework for coordinated action from Member States in promoting sustainable management of forests and in fulfilling their multifunctional role from economic, social and environmental point of view;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. whereas the forest are different in nature and size, the strategy should take into account that forests cover more than half of the territory of some Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. whereas some of the Union's largest biomass resources are found in its most sparsely populated and remote regions, it is imperative that the strategy also takes full account of the specificities of these more sparsely populated regions;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Sampo Terho

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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Amendment

2. Acknowledges that the EU has a role to play in supporting national policies aimed at achieving multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and in ensuring coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

2. Questions the need for a EU wide forest strategy except in cases where EU added value is of benefit to the sector such as in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and in ensuring coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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2. Acknowledges that the EU has a role to play in supporting national policies **aimed at achieving** multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, **and in** ensuring coherence **on** forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

Amendment

2. Acknowledges that the EU has a role to play in supporting national policies **to achieve** multifunctional and sustainable **forestry management respecting functions related to various forest products, recreation as well as nature conservation, in ensuring consistency of management approaches reflecting different forest types, and** in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as **illegal timber import**, forest fires, illegal logging and pests, **in strictly implementing the existing legislation and rules including those related to product control and** ensuring coherence **in** forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil, **emphasising that biodiversity and well-functioning ecosystems are a prerequisite for all forest uses, therefore reversing the trend of biodiversity loss and ecosystem degradation in line with the EU Biodiversity Strategy to 2020 is essential;**

Or. en

**Amendment 12
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo**

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forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and in ensuring coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil; ***in this respect, stresses the importance of Natura 2000 sites where, thanks to their extraordinary natural resources, can be produced (keep producing) products and services of high environmental and cultural quality;***

Or. en

Amendment 13

Fredrick Federley, Morten Helveg Petersen, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Kaja Kallas, Pavel Telička, Olli Rehn, Marit Paulsen, Ulrike Müller, Nils Torvalds

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2. Acknowledges that the EU has a role to play in supporting national policies aimed at achieving multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and ***in ensuring*** coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies ***such as*** those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

Amendment

2. Acknowledges that the EU has a role to play in supporting national policies aimed at achieving ***active***, multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and ***stresses the importance of*** coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies, ***in particular*** those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, ***climate***, renewable energy, water and soil, ***industry, research and innovation, energy efficiency, and resource efficiency;***

Or. en

Amendment 14

Henna Virkkunen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Antonio Tajani

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Amendment

2. Acknowledges that the EU has a **pivotal** role to play in supporting national policies aimed at achieving multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and in ensuring coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, **industry and competitiveness, climate**, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
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Or. en

Amendment 16
Markus Pieper

Draft opinion
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Amendment

2. Acknowledges that the EU has a **coordinating** role to play in supporting national policies aimed at achieving multifunctional and sustainable forest management, in strengthening cooperation in the face of increased cross-border threats such as forest fires, illegal logging and pests, and in ensuring coherence on forest-related issues across EU policies such as those relating to agriculture, biodiversity, renewable energy, water and soil;

Or. de

Amendment 17
Dan Nica, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2a. The implementation of the new forestry strategy should compensate the absence of specific provisions on forest policy in the EU Treaty while respecting Member States competences in this field and should ensure coordinated positions between EU and Member States policies on the issues related to the forestry sector at international level;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Stresses the important role of the Commission in ensuring early and continuous dialogue between EU and member states experts, as well as the inclusion of all relevant stakeholders, in order to facilitate coherence in policy formulation regards to forest;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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Amendment

3. Supports Member States' commitment to implementing sustainable forest management in line with the Forest Europe criteria and indicators as one of the key elements of the current policy framework for forests in Europe;

3. Supports the Commission's intention to develop an ambitious and demonstrable set of criteria and indicators, including concrete thresholds or benchmarks for sustainable management of forests, for an adequate implementation of sustainable forest management across the Union;

Or. en

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Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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3. Supports Member States' **commitment to implementing** sustainable forest management **in line with** the Forest Europe criteria and indicators as one of the key elements of the current policy framework for forests in Europe;

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3. Supports **the commitment of** Member States **to implement** sustainable forest management **based on** the Forest Europe criteria and indicators as one of the key elements of the current policy framework for forests in Europe; **Supports the Commission's intention to develop an ambitious and demonstrable set of criteria and indicators for improved implementation of sustainable forest management to be applied to all uses of forest biomass across the Union, balancing ecological, social and economic functions that forests serve;**

Or. en

Amendment 21
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

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3. Supports Member States' commitment to implementing sustainable forest management in line with the Forest Europe criteria and indicators as one of the key elements of the current policy framework for forests in Europe; **Calls on the Commission to support the establishment of a harmonized Europe-wide forest information system based on national data;**

Or. en

Amendment 22
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
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4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen *forestry's* role in the green economy;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen *forestry's* role in the green economy; ***And recognises the important role of forests for communities, forest sectors, industries, the environment and the climate and supports in this light the focus on promoting an efficient use of forestry biomass as a scarce resource;***

Or. en

Amendment 23
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's role in the green economy;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support ***the fundamental role of forests for the preservation of ecological cycles, the health of citizens, food safety,*** resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's role in the green economy;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Nicolas Bay, Gianluca Buonanno, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

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4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's role in the green economy;

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4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's role in the green economy; ***calls for due account also to be taken of the aesthetic, symbolic and heritage-related aspects of Europe's forests;***

Or. fr

**Amendment 25
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 4**

Draft opinion

4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's role in the green economy;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the prioritisation of the three pillars of sustainability (economic, social and environmental) as a strong basis from which to support resource efficiency, increase competitiveness, boost employment and strengthen forestry's ***and forest-based industries'*** role in the green economy;

Or. en

**Amendment 26
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Reminds that according to the European Commission, in 2009 the bioeconomy represented market estimated to be worth over 2 trillion euro, providing 20 million jobs and accounting for 9% of total employment in the EU; Notes that every euro invested in bioeconomy research and innovation under Horizon 2020 will generate about 10 euro in added value; Stresses that forests have a crucial role in bioeconomy now and in the future;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Notes that timber resources are used and reused efficiently in order to meet demand from timber-processing firms and improve the sustainability and competitiveness of the forestry sector; acknowledges the versatility of timber as a raw material and the significance of the forestry sector for a climate-friendly value chain;

Or. de

Amendment 28
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses the need to move towards bioeconomy in a manner that respects the sustainability boundaries of biomass supply and ensures resource efficient use of forest based material, promoting and prioritising innovation in the forest value chain above energy use;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Rolandas Paksas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Believes that it is only by increasing the economic efficiency and the competitiveness of forestry that it will be possible to ensure a sufficient and uninterrupted supply of wood and other forest products and the provision of services, as well as creating greater added value and new jobs, without weakening the potential of forests, and enabling productive forests to be preserved for the future;

Or. It

Amendment 30
Markus Pieper

Draft opinion
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Amendment

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the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy; *sees, also in the context of carbon emissions policy and the revision of the FFH Directive, no need for the EU to be granted fresh powers;*

Or. de

Amendment 31
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
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5. Considers that the objective *included in* the EU Forest Strategy *of enhancing* the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services *sourced from* forests, in particular the important role *that* forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which *is an* important *element of* EU climate policy;

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5. Considers that the objective *of* the EU Forest Strategy *to enhance* the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, *biodiversity*, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services *provided by* forests, *including services for recreation, tourism, and* in particular the important role forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, *storing carbon and climate adaptation* which *are* important *elements of the* EU climate policy;

Or. en

Amendment 32
José Blanco López

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 5**

Draft opinion

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth **and** job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Amendment

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth, job creation **and efforts to counter depopulation and population ageing** must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that forests play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Or. es

Amendment 33

Fredrick Federley, Morten Helveg Petersen, Kaja Kallas, Pavel Telička, Olli Rehn, Marit Paulsen, Ulrike Müller, Nils Torvalds

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Paragraph 5**

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Amendment

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, **sustainable** growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that **well-managed forests and wood-based material** play in reducing CO₂ emissions **and moving towards a bioeconomy, which are important elements** of EU climate policy;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Henna Virkkunen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Antonio Tajani

Draft opinion
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5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services *sourced from* forests, in particular the important role *that forests* play in reducing *CO₂* emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Amendment

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services *provided by* forests, in particular the important role *sustainable forest management, utilising wood-based products and energy* play in reducing *CO₂* emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy *and recalls that forest biomass is a very important source of renewable energy*;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that *forests* play in reducing *CO₂* emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Amendment

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that *active forest management and wood-based products* play in reducing *CO₂* emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy; *Notes that European forests currently absorb and store around*

10% of EU carbon emissions and thus contribute markedly to climate change mitigation;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Sampo Terho

Draft opinion
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Draft opinion

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that **forests** play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Amendment

5. Considers that the objective included in the EU Forest Strategy of enhancing the contribution of forests and the forest sector to rural development, growth and job creation must take full account of the economic, social, cultural and environmental goods and services sourced from forests, in particular the important role that **successful forest management and wood-based products** play in reducing CO₂ emissions, which is an important element of EU climate policy;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo, Neoklis Sylikiotis

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

5a. Takes the view that it is important to promote the implementation of the concept of bioeconomy while respecting the sustainability boundaries of raw material supply, to boost the economic viability of forest value chains through innovation and technology transfer, and,

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to this end, provide more support for forest products other than timber, and to ensure that different demands on forest products are balanced and evaluated against the sustainable supply potentials;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Emphasises the need to make sure that forest materials are also re-used and used efficiently, supports the Commission in promoting resource efficiency, meaning using forest resources in a way that minimizes impact on the environment and climate, and invites the Commission to consider implementation of demand-side measures; as a way of cutting the EU's trade deficit, helping to reduce unsustainable management, protecting the environment and reducing deforestation in countries outside the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Emphasises the importance of putting in place forest management plans or equivalent instruments for forests that are publicly owned and for forests holdings

above a certain size that receive public funding under the Rural Development policy, as stated in the EU Biodiversity Strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Paul Brannen, Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Considers that the substitution of oil-based or heat-intensive raw materials by timber and harvested wood products should be encouraged, in line with progress in research and technology, which can positively contribute to further gains in terms of climate change mitigation as well as job creation;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Paul Brannen, Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Encourages prioritising the use of timber and harvested wood products particularly in construction sector and industry as an alternative to oil-based or heat-intensive raw materials; strongly encourages increased use of timber in the housing sector including its application in construction of more affordable houses built from sustainably sourced raw material; notes that current technological

developments enable construction of high-capacity housing developments made mostly of wood and thus significantly limiting CO2 emissions in the buildings sector;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Barbara Kappel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Supports resource efficiency and multiple timber use as measures which can enhance the potential of forests and minimise the impact of climate change; takes the view, in that connection, that the Commission should draw up best practice guidelines and make multiple timber use mandatory in law, with a view to regulating properly the use of timber as an energy source, in keeping with sustainability principles, and exploiting to the full the potential offered by the forestry sector;

Or. de

Amendment 43
Anne Sander

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Calls on the Commission to assess the impact of the increase in EU timber exports to emerging countries; calls on the Commission to propose, if necessary, measures to safeguard the availability of

resources for the EU timber-processing industry in the long term;

Or. fr

Amendment 44
Rolandas Paksas

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Points to the need for cooperation by forest owners and for an efficient joint management arrangement for small forest holdings and calls on the Commission and the Member States to take further steps to encourage such cooperation;

Or. It

Amendment 45
Pablo Echenique, Paloma López Bermejo, Neoklis Sylikiotis

Draft opinion
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Amendment

6. Supports the carrying out of a cost assessment of all EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing the industry's long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner.

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Or. en

Amendment 46
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
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6. Supports the *carrying out of a cost* assessment of all EU legislation affecting *the* value chains *of forest-based industries*, *with a* view to cutting *out* all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing *the industry's* long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner.

Amendment

6. Supports the *undertaking of an impact* assessment of all EU legislation affecting *Forest-based Industry* value chains *with the* view to cutting all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing *its* long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Fredrick Federley, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Nils Torvalds, Morten Helveg Petersen, Pavel Telička, Ulrike Müller

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6. Supports the carrying out of a cost assessment of all EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing the industry's long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner.

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6. Supports the carrying out of a cost assessment of all EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing the industry's long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner, *equally so, support the principle that every new legislative proposal should be thoroughly assessed by an impact assessment*;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Henna Virkkunen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Antonio Tajani

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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6. Supports the carrying out of a cost assessment of **all** EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and **increasing the industry's** long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner.

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6. Supports the carrying out of a cost assessment of **the most relevant** EU legislation **and policies** affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and **creating enabling framework to increase industry's** long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Sampo Terho

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Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. **Supports the** carrying out of a cost assessment of all EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing the industry's long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner.

Amendment

6. **Stresses the need for** carrying out of a cost assessment of all EU legislation affecting the value chains of forest-based industries, with a view to cutting out all unnecessary and burdensome bureaucracy and increasing the industry's long-term competitiveness in a sustainable manner;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Benedek Jávor
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Considers that the EU Forest Strategy will be better implemented if supported by appropriate coordination with available or future EU funding including EAFRD;

Or. en

Amendment 51

Benedek Jávor

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Observes the availability of information and monitoring resources via the Copernicus programme and other space initiatives at European level and recommends increasing the use of these resources and tools;

Or. en

Amendment 52

Paul Brannen, Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Pays attention to technological advancements that allow for wider application of wood in industrial processes, particularly in such sectors as automotive and textiles, with high degree of efficiency;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Paul Brannen, Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Is of the opinion that promotion of more diverse uses of wood should go hand in hand with investment in education systems for the young, and training for existing employees in the construction industry in order to increase their awareness of the opportunities created by the use of wood as well as to provide them with necessary skills;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Paul Brannen, Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Recognises the need for improved transportations and logistics for forest management and extraction of timber; calls upon the Member States to develop sustainable logistics and logging systems with reduced negative effect on climate, including the use of trucks and ships powered by sustainable biofuel as well as extended use of railways; encourages the use of EU's structural funds for those purposes;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Fredrick Federley, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Olli Rehn, Marit Paulsen, Nils Torvalds, Morten Helveg Petersen, Kaja Kallas, Pavel Telička, Ulrike Müller

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Stresses the important role of forestry and forest industry research and innovation in achieving smart and sustainable growth, in particular refined biofuels, industrial building in wood, the development of wood and cellulose-based products, as well as renewable materials replacing fossil fuel based chemical materials;

Or. en

Amendment 56

Henna Virkkunen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Antonio Tajani

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Stresses the support EU framework programmes for research and development can give to the forest sector in developing new and higher added-value products, while not forgetting those traditional high-value usages that still have huge growth potential, such as using wood in construction;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Henna Virkkunen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Antonio Tajani

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Welcomes the setting up of a Forest Information System for Europe by collecting data and information on the multifunctional role of forests and forest resources from the national databases;

Or. en

**Amendment 58
Sampo Terho**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Welcomes the benefits of sharing best practices and existing knowledge on forests between the member states, but stresses that such activity should not result in increased demand on budgetary resources;

Or. en

**Amendment 59
Dan Nica, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on the Commission to support the delivery of harmonized data on the multifunctional role of forests and forest resources, by encouraging the establishment of an European forest information system based on national

data and its integration into an European data platform;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Stresses that the long-term competitiveness of the forest sector will be achieved only with a skilled workforce. Notes that the sector currently employs over 3 million European citizens. The EU Forest strategy should then set the conditions to allow relevant EU training facilities and a workforce which is fully aware of the current challenges and threats of the forest sector but also of the safety rules inherent in the forest management;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Stresses the support EU framework programmes for research and development can give to the forest sector in developing new, higher added-value products and cleaner technology, while not forgetting those traditional high-value usages that still have huge growth potential, such as using wood in

construction;

Or. en

Amendment 62

Nicolas Bay, Gianluca Buonanno, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls for due account also to be taken of the aesthetic, symbolic and heritage-related aspects of Europe's forests.

Or. fr

Amendment 63

Rolandas Paksas

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Points out that the use of wood biomass offers great potential and a variety of benefits from the environmental and economic point of view; calls on the Member States and regional and local authorities to boost the demand for local renewables and include local communities in biomass generation strategies;

Or. It

Amendment 64

Rolandas Paksas

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Asks the Commission and the Member States to seek means of encouraging sustainable and active forest management, rationalising the use of forest resources, and also increasing the volume of small-sized seasoned wood and cutting residues used in biofuel production; calls on the Member States to make the best possible use of existing and future funding opportunities to support scientific research and innovation aimed at resolving energy-related forestry problems;

Or. It

**Amendment 65
Rolandas Paksas**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Welcomes the fact that the strategy recognises the importance of informing the public about forests and forestry and wood as a renewable raw material; calls on the Commission and the Member States to support specific information campaigns to give the general public a clearer understanding of the role that forests play for them and vice versa; considers it necessary to create more favourable conditions for society to take part in the policy-making and implementation process where forestry is concerned;

Or. It