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Amendment 1
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Article 208 of the Treaty of Lisbon, which enshrines the principle of consistency between the EU's commercial and development policy,

Or. es

Amendment 2
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Citation 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Article 208 TFEU, which establishes eradication of poverty as the primary objective of the EU development policy and the principle of policy coherent for development,

Or. en

Amendment 3
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the amendments it adopted on 15 January 2014 to the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the

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access of third-country goods and services to the Union's internal market in public procurement and procedures supporting negotiations on access of Union goods and services to the public procurement markets of third countries⁴,

⁴ *Texts adopted, P7_TA(2014)0027.*

Or. en

Amendment 4
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the 2010 report by EIM for the European Commission entitled 'Internationalisation of European SMEs',

Or. en

Amendment 5
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission Communication entitled 'Europe 2020: A strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth' (COM(2010) 2020),

Or. es

Amendment 6
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 27 September 2011 on a New Trade Policy for Europe under the Europe 2020 Strategy (2010/2152(INI))¹,

¹ OJ C 56E, 26.2.2013, p. 87–98

Or. es

Amendment 7
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Communication from the Commission entitled ‘Trade, Growth and World Affairs – Trade Policy as a core component of the EU’s 2020 strategy’ (COM(2010)0612),

Or. es

Amendment 8
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission communication entitled “Towards a job

rich recovery” (COM (2012)0173),

Or. es

Amendment 9
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the systematic literature review by the Policy and Operations Evaluation Department (IOB) of the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs entitled ‘Public-Private Partnerships in developing countries’

Or. en

Amendment 10
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the 1997 OECD Convention on combating bribery of foreign public officials in international business transactions,

Or. es

Amendment 11
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to paragraph 46 of the final document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20),

Or. es

Amendment 12
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, updated in May 2011,

Or. es

Amendment 13
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission communication entitled 'A renewed EU strategy 2011-2014 for Corporate Social Responsibility' (COM(2011)0681),

Or. es

Amendment 14
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 29 January 2013 on corporate social responsibility: promoting society's interests and a route to sustainable and inclusive recovery (2012/2097(INI)) PE 498.081v02-00; A7-0023/2013)¹,

¹ P7_TA(2013)0050

Or. es

Amendment 15
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 j (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 collaboration between UN Women and the United Nations Global Compact,

Or. es

Amendment 16
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and to the Foreign Affairs Council conclusions of 8 December 2009,

Or. es

Amendment 17

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution

Citation 10 k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to paragraph 5 of the Commission communication entitled 'Strategy for equality between women and men 2010-2015' (COM(2010)0491),

Or. es

Amendment 18

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution

Citation 10 l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, adopted in 1998, and to the ILO conventions establishing universal core labour standards with regard to: the abolition of forced labour (Nos 29 (1930) and 105 (1957)); freedom of association and the right to bargain collectively (Nos 87 (1948) and 98 (1949)); the abolition of child labour (Nos 138 (1973)

and 182 (1999)); and non-discrimination in employment (Nos 100 (1951) and 111 (1958)),

Or. es

Amendment 19
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the ILO conventions on labour clauses (public contracts) (No 94) (1949) and collective bargaining (No 154),

Or. es

Amendment 20
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 n (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the ILO Decent Work Agenda and to the ILO Global Jobs Pact, adopted by global consensus on 19 June 2009 at the International Labour Conference,

Or. es

Amendment 21
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 o (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalisation, adopted by consensus of the ILO's 183 member states on 10 June 2008,

Or. es

Amendment 22

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas countries' economic structures and the dynamism thereof benefit from environments which allow interaction between the public and private sectors and cooperation between public and private entities through joint initiatives and ventures;

Amendment

A. whereas countries' ***societies and*** economic structures and the dynamism thereof benefit from environments which allow interaction between the public and private sectors and cooperation between public and private entities, ***for example*** through joint initiatives and ventures;

Or. es

Amendment 23

Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) are high on the development agenda and they are increasingly being promoted as a way of closing the infrastructure financing gap in developed and developing countries alike;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas the EU's support and cooperation with the private sector can and must contribute to reducing poverty and inequality and promote human rights, environmental standards and social dialogue;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas, although public-private partnerships (PPPs) are a long-term tool used in government policies at ***federal***, regional and local level, there is no internationally recognised definition and comprehensive regulatory framework for them; whereas in practice PPPs are understood to refer to a 'broad and varied spectrum of cooperative relationships between public actors (governments, agencies, and international organisations, or a combination thereof) and private actors (companies or not-for-profit entities)' and usually imply supply by the private sector of infrastructure or assets traditionally provided by governments;

B. whereas, although public-private partnerships (PPPs) are a long-term tool used in government policies at ***international, national***, regional and local level, there is no internationally recognised definition and comprehensive regulatory framework for them; whereas in practice PPPs are understood to refer to a 'broad and varied spectrum of cooperative relationships between public actors (governments, agencies, and international organisations, or a combination thereof) and private actors (companies or not-for-profit entities)' and usually imply supply by the private sector of infrastructure, or assets traditionally provided by governments;

Or. es

Amendment 26
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the global economic crisis has severely affected mature, emerging and developing countries since 2007 and has had an impact on budgetary policies and on the access of both institutional and private entities to the funds needed to carry out projects, affecting the development of infrastructure and other capital-intensive projects and the provision of basic services;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 27
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the global economic crisis has severely affected mature, emerging and developing countries since 2007 and has had an impact on budgetary policies and on the access of both institutional and private entities to the funds needed to carry out projects, affecting the development of infrastructure and other capital-intensive projects and the provision of basic services;

Amendment

C. whereas the global economic crisis has severely affected mature, emerging and developing countries since 2007 and has had an impact on budgetary policies and on the access of both institutional and private entities, *particularly SMEs*, to the funds needed to carry out projects, affecting the development of infrastructure and other capital-intensive projects and the provision of basic services;

Or. es

Amendment 28
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the global economic crisis has severely affected mature, emerging and developing countries since 2007 and has had an impact on budgetary policies and on the access of both institutional and private entities to the funds needed to carry out projects, affecting the development of infrastructure and other capital-intensive projects and the provision of basic services;

Amendment

C. whereas the global economic crisis has severely affected **all** mature, emerging and developing countries since 2007 and has had an impact on budgetary policies and on the access of both institutional and private entities to the funds needed to carry out projects, affecting the development of infrastructure and other capital-intensive projects and the provision of basic services;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas, owing to public budgetary constraints exacerbated by the economic and public debt crisis, it is important to improve the costs, effectiveness, efficiency and quality of public services and to ensure the timely delivery of public infrastructure, and whereas appropriate involvement of public and private actors can contribute to this;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 30
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas, owing to public budgetary constraints exacerbated by the economic and public debt crisis, ***it is important*** to improve the costs, effectiveness, efficiency and quality of public services and to ensure the timely delivery of public infrastructure, ***and whereas appropriate involvement of public and private actors can contribute to this;***

Amendment

D. whereas, owing to public budgetary constraints exacerbated by the economic and public debt crisis, ***a growing number of governments are adopting innovative solutions such as public-private partnerships which, if implemented appropriately, can help*** to improve the costs, effectiveness, efficiency and quality of public services and to ensure the timely delivery of public infrastructure; ***whereas, however, there is a serious risk that governments may opt for public-private initiatives because this instrument is not taken into account when calculating the public deficit, and not primarily because it is the option that is most likely to ensure that the project is properly managed;***

Or. es

Amendment 31
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas, owing to public budgetary constraints exacerbated by the economic and public debt crisis, it is important to improve the costs, effectiveness, ***efficiency*** and quality of public services and to ensure the timely delivery of public infrastructure, ***and whereas appropriate involvement of public and private actors can contribute to this;***

Amendment

D. whereas, owing to public budgetary constraints exacerbated by the economic and public debt crisis, it is important to improve the costs, effectiveness and quality of public services and to ensure the timely delivery of public infrastructure;

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas, in addition, there are new areas to be developed which have not been provided in the past by public services, together with newly designed financial instruments and a network of free trade agreements which provide, or pave the way, for further participation in investment projects abroad bringing together private companies and public entities;

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Or. en

Amendment 33
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas, in addition, **there are** new areas **to be developed** which have not been provided in the past by public services, **together with newly designed financial instruments and a network of free trade agreements which provide, or pave the way, for further participation in investment projects abroad bringing together private companies and public entities;**

E. whereas, in addition, **Member States should be invited to develop** new areas which have not been provided in the past by public services;

Or. fr

Amendment 34
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas, ***in addition, there are new areas to be developed which have not been provided in the past by public services,*** together with newly designed financial instruments and a network of free trade agreements which ***provide***, or ***pave*** the way, for further participation in investment projects abroad bringing together private companies and public entities;

Amendment

E. whereas ***the liberalisation of trade and investment is not an end in itself but a tool which should help improve the quality of life for the world's population, and in this context there is an opportunity to develop innovative policies,*** together with ***new instruments such as the*** newly designed financial instruments, and a network of free trade agreements which ***are useful for third-country governments in guaranteeing the provision of infrastructure, goods and services of general interest, while providing,*** or ***paving*** the way, for further participation ***by EU companies*** in investment projects abroad bringing together private companies and public entities;

Or. es

Amendment 35
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ea. whereas EU trade policy should neither encourage nor discourage the sovereign decision on whether or not to use a PPP, but once the decision has been taken, the EU has an obligation to ensure that our large, medium-sized and small enterprises and micro-enterprises have the best possible access to procurement markets in the partner country, bringing added value to the local community, in keeping with the principles of openness, participation, accountability, effectiveness

Amendment

and policy coherence;

Or. es

Amendment 36
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F. whereas the fact that the private sector may undervalue social infrastructure and the cover it provides, the considerable costs associated with providing infrastructure, the position of some sectors as natural monopolies or their strategic importance mean that in many cases open competition and privatisation are not the most suitable policy option where the public interest must prevail;

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Or. es

Amendment 37
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F. whereas the fact that the private sector may undervalue social infrastructure and the cover it provides, the considerable costs associated with providing infrastructure, the position of some sectors as natural monopolies or their strategic importance mean that in many cases open competition and privatisation are not the most suitable policy option *where* the public interest must prevail;

F. whereas the fact that the private sector may undervalue social infrastructure and the cover it provides, the considerable costs associated with providing infrastructure, the position of some sectors as natural monopolies or their strategic importance mean that in many cases open competition and privatisation are not the most suitable policy option *since* the public interest must prevail;

Or. fr

Amendment 38
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas public-private partnerships for the provision of infrastructure, goods and basic services are technically complex; whereas they are not always the best policy response to public needs, and whereas it has been demonstrated that such partnerships can increase the cost of public services and reduce the coverage and quality of the services provided;

Or. es

Amendment 39
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas the purpose of PPPs is *therefore* to combine *the best of both worlds* – the provision of services and infrastructure of general interest, *but through* enhanced participation by the private sector *rather than through privatisation processes*;

G. whereas the purpose of PPPs is to combine the provision of services and infrastructure of general interest *with* enhanced participation by the private sector; *whereas this must not be regarded as a first step towards privatisation, and whereas governments retain the right to take over the management of projects wherever they consider this necessary*;

Or. es

Amendment 40
Jude Kirton-Darling, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas the PPP model raises a number of concerns due to the fact that the provisions of a public good or service in this framework is conditioned by contractual conditions which can curtail the ability of national and local authorities to introduce, adopt, maintain or repeal some measures with regards to the commissioning, organisation, funding and provision of such goods and services;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H. whereas many emerging and developing countries face a mismatch between the dynamism of private businesses and the lack of reliable public infrastructure; whereas such gaps (which are striking in India or Brazil) have undermined potential growth, limiting export/import capacities or disturbing production lines owing to the absence of sufficient port infrastructure, deficiencies in internal transport (railways, freight or highways) or dysfunctional power generation units and power distribution grids; whereas they also have a negative impact on human welfare (owing to scarcity of sewage and water distribution networks); whereas PPPs allow integrated solutions whereby a partner or a

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consortium provides 'building' (construction, engineering and architecture services), 'financing' (injection of private funds, at least to pre-finance a project) and 'exploitation' (maintenance, surveillance and management services);

Or. en

Amendment 42
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas many emerging and developing countries face a mismatch between the dynamism of private businesses and the lack of reliable public infrastructure; whereas such gaps (which are striking in India or Brazil) have undermined potential growth, limiting export/import capacities or disturbing production lines owing to the absence of sufficient port infrastructure, deficiencies in internal transport (railways, freight or highways) or dysfunctional power generation units and power distribution grids; whereas they also have a negative impact on human welfare (owing to scarcity of sewage and water distribution networks); *whereas PPPs allow integrated solutions whereby a partner or a consortium provides 'building' (construction, engineering and architecture services), 'financing' (injection of private funds, at least to pre-finance a project) and 'exploitation' (maintenance, surveillance and management services);*

Amendment

H. whereas many emerging and developing countries face a mismatch between the dynamism of private businesses and the lack of reliable public infrastructure; whereas such gaps (which are striking in India or Brazil) have undermined potential growth, limiting export/import capacities or disturbing production lines owing to the absence of sufficient port infrastructure, deficiencies in internal transport (railways, freight or highways) or dysfunctional power generation units and power distribution grids; whereas they also have a negative impact on human welfare (owing to scarcity of sewage and water distribution networks);

Or. fr

Amendment 43
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas many emerging and developing countries face a mismatch between the dynamism of private businesses and the lack of reliable public infrastructure; whereas such gaps (which are striking in India or Brazil) have undermined potential growth, limiting export/import capacities or disturbing production lines owing to the absence of sufficient port infrastructure, deficiencies in internal transport (railways, freight or highways) or dysfunctional power generation units and power distribution grids; whereas *they* also have a negative impact on human welfare (owing to scarcity of sewage and water distribution networks); whereas PPPs allow integrated solutions whereby a partner or a consortium provides ‘building’ (construction, engineering and architecture services), ‘financing’ (injection of private funds, at least to pre-finance a project) and ‘exploitation’ (maintenance, surveillance and management services);

Amendment

H. whereas many emerging and developing countries face a mismatch between the dynamism of private businesses and the lack of reliable public infrastructure; whereas such gaps (which are striking in India or Brazil) have undermined potential growth, limiting export/import capacities or disturbing production lines owing to the absence of sufficient port infrastructure, deficiencies in internal transport (railways, freight or highways) or dysfunctional power generation units and power distribution grids; whereas *these gaps* also have a negative impact on human welfare (owing to scarcity of sewage and water distribution networks); whereas PPPs allow integrated solutions whereby a partner or a consortium provides ‘building’ (construction, engineering and architecture services), ‘financing’ (injection of private funds, at least to pre-finance a project) and ‘exploitation’ (maintenance, surveillance and management services);

Or. en

Amendment 44
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas intergovernmental organisations have also used PPPs to devote aid to least-developed countries through partnerships operating in the

Amendment

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field of development and cooperation: the World Bank, regional reconstruction banks, the Food and Agriculture Organisation, the World Health Organisation and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), to name but a few, have used PPPs to implement actions; whereas, as regards geographical focus, the USA, Australia, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, the United Arab Emirates and other Asian and Latin American countries (led by Chile) have experience of PPPs; whereas OECD countries (Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ireland, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain) also have relevant legislation; whereas the UK has the most developed programme in respect of PPPs (with the Private Finance Initiative accounting for around 20 % of public investment); whereas the EU leads the PPP infrastructure market, concentrating more than 45 % of the nominal value of PPPs;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas intergovernmental organisations have also used PPPs to devote aid to least-developed countries through partnerships operating in the field of development and cooperation: the World Bank, regional reconstruction banks, the Food and Agriculture Organisation, the World Health Organisation and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), to name but a few, have used PPPs to implement actions; whereas, *as regards geographical focus, the USA, Australia, Japan, Malaysia,*

Amendment

I. whereas intergovernmental organisations have also used PPPs to devote aid to least-developed countries through partnerships operating in the field of development and cooperation: the World Bank, regional reconstruction banks, the Food and Agriculture Organisation, the World Health Organisation and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), to name but a few, have used PPPs to implement actions; whereas *the experience with PPPs in developing countries - and in particular*

Singapore, the United Arab Emirates and other Asian and Latin American countries (led by Chile) have experience of PPPs; whereas OECD countries (Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ireland, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain) also have relevant legislation; whereas the UK has the most developed programme in respect of PPPs (with the Private Finance Initiative accounting for around 20 % of public investment); whereas the EU leads the PPP infrastructure market, concentrating more than 45 % of the nominal value of PPPs;

least-developed countries - is mixed, since PPPs prove often to be more expensive in the long-term than standard procurement due to higher costs of private sector borrowing when compared to government rates; whereas therefore PPPs often fail to reach the public development goals, because they have to be oriented at short term financial amortisation criteria;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas PPPs are just one of several options for governments to attract private investment capital and should not be regarded as a one-size-fits-all solution for all purposes, especially in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas, however, experience has demonstrated that PPPs have shown

serious management deficiencies and governments have had to take on a heavy financial burden, in particular in the hospital and prison sectors;

Or. fr

Amendment 48
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Recital I b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ib. whereas still few diagnostic tools are available to measure the effectiveness of PPPs and to determine when and how PPPs represent a preferable option to conventional contract arrangements in developing and least-developed countries;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

J. whereas PPPs have been used in the context of the Structural Funds, enlargement, the trans-European networks, Joint Technology Initiatives, Europe 2020, R&D (factories for the future, energy-efficient buildings, the green vehicles initiative, the sustainable process industry, photonics, robotics, high-performing computing, and 5G networks), e-learning, research projects with universities and other programmes in the health field (such as the innovative

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medicines initiative); whereas the European Investment Bank and the European PPP Expertise Centre have carried out projects in the EU, its neighbourhood and beyond; whereas the EU has also contributed through the Global Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Fund; whereas the European Fund for Strategic Investments intends to support a number of PPPs in the EU, in which companies from trading partners may participate;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ja. whereas the EU has hitherto kept its public procurement markets wide open to international competition and has put in place rules seeking to ensure genuine and fair competition on the single market and to enable international investors to compete on an equal footing; whereas inside the EU there is no discrimination on grounds of foreign ownership or control, and whereas companies from abroad may set up a local base in order to participate in PPPs;

Or. es

Amendment 51
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

K. whereas EU free trade agreements include provisions which pave the way for companies to bid in PPPs via market access and pre-establishment; whereas the treatment and possibilities open in respect of Korea, Colombia/Peru, Central America, Singapore and Canada (and Vietnam and Japan) are defined differently and specifically; whereas there has to be a relatively flexible approach as regards negotiations with different partners; whereas, at the multilateral level, the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and the Agreement on Government Procurement (GPA) also establish a number of commitments, as may other plurilateral instruments such as the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA); whereas the environment in the EU is therefore becoming more competitive;

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Or. en

Amendment 52

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution

Recital K

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

K. whereas EU free trade agreements include provisions which pave the way for companies to bid in PPPs via market access and pre-establishment; whereas the treatment and possibilities open in respect of Korea, Colombia/Peru, Central America, Singapore and Canada (and Vietnam and Japan) are defined differently and specifically; whereas there has to be a relatively flexible approach as regards negotiations with different partners;

K. whereas EU free trade agreements include provisions which pave the way for companies to bid in PPPs via market access and pre-establishment; whereas the treatment and possibilities open in respect of Korea, Colombia/Peru, Central America, Singapore and Canada (and Vietnam and Japan) are defined differently and specifically; whereas there has to be a relatively flexible approach as regards negotiations with different partners;

whereas, at the multilateral level, the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and the Agreement on Government Procurement (GPA) also establish a number of commitments, as may other plurilateral instruments such as the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA); whereas the environment in the EU is therefore becoming more competitive;

whereas, however, the aim must continue to be to help foster social and economic development, environmental sustainability, democracy and good governance, the observance of human rights and the promotion of internationally recognised standards of protection, as well as the creation of decent jobs; whereas, at the multilateral level, the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and the Agreement on Government Procurement (GPA) also establish a number of commitments, as may other plurilateral instruments such as the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA); whereas the environment in the EU is therefore becoming more competitive;

Or. es

Amendment 53
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Recital K a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ka. whereas public procurement remains an important tool especially in developing countries to strengthen and diversify their industrial capacities, explaining their reluctance to accede to the GPA; whereas the EU should respect that cost effectiveness is only one among many factors for infrastructure procurement decisions, especially in least developed countries;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the need to stimulate job creation, competitiveness and productivity through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth;

Amendment

1. Stresses the need to stimulate job creation, competitiveness and productivity through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth, ***including via investments outside the Single Market;***

Or. en

Amendment 55
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the need to stimulate job creation, competitiveness and productivity through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth;

Amendment

1. Stresses the need to stimulate job creation, competitiveness and productivity ***inside the EU and in third countries*** through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the need to stimulate job creation, competitiveness and productivity through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth;

Amendment

1. Stresses the need to stimulate ***decent*** job creation, competitiveness and productivity through new endeavours designed to stimulate the activity of economic actors in order to re-launch growth ***in a sustainable***

way;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Believes that PPPs could be a major potential source of growth for our European companies and in the case of development PPPs, a way that our European companies can help to do good works in the world;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Calls the EU to set up a regulatory framework that stimulates fair, responsible, transparent and accountable investment;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 60
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;

2. Notes that **both** SMEs and larger companies **alike** can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can **best** achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, ***often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;***

Amendment

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they ***set up networks and*** perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs; ***suggests that the Commission should promote the establishment of consortiums and other forms of cooperation between large businesses and SMEs, with a view to helping the latter to become involved in PPPs;***

Or. es

Amendment 62
Fernando Ruas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries; considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;

Amendment

2. Notes that SMEs and larger companies can provide unique private-sector know-how, experience, ***good practices*** and networks involving public authorities in non-EU countries, ***helping to deliver vigorous sustainable development policies,*** considers that SMEs can achieve their potential if they perform at the global level and enter markets outside Europe, inter alia through PPPs, often by acting as subcontractors for larger EU companies;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Urges the Commission to promote a definition of PPPs that can gain international recognition as a long-term relationship between public entities and private investors geared to the provision of high-quality, accessible public services and infrastructure on the basis of terms and conditions clearly laid down in a contract, compliance with which may easily be assessed by means of indicators ensuring that such compliance is rewarded with fair and appropriate remuneration;

Or. es

Amendment 64
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Rejects the use public-private partnerships (PPPs) as a mechanism used to enforce developing countries to privatise state-run utilities and transfer the responsibility for improving public services into private hands;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Considers it regrettable that while the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition, many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 66
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Considers it regrettable that while the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition, many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing;

Amendment

3. Notes that while the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition, many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing; ***calls on the Commission and the Council to reconsider the EU policy of***

open procurement markets by default;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Considers it regrettable that while *the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition*, many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing;

Amendment

3. Considers it regrettable that while many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing, *the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition;*

Or. fr

Amendment 68
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. *Considers it regrettable that while the EU has so far kept its government procurement markets largely open to international competition, many companies competing at EU level operate from protected countries, with such*

Amendment

3. *Urges the Commission to ensure that EU trade agreements include provisions that will ensure that our companies, in particular SMEs, can compete outside the EU on an equal footing with local companies, requiring there to be clear*

protection taking different forms such as state-owned enterprises, trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing;

rules and easy access to information on procurement procedures and award criteria and stipulating the removal of any discriminatory and unjustified trade barriers in the field of government procurement, services or investment, including preference for domestic bidders, restrictions on national treatment and market access, tax discrimination, regulatory barriers to the establishment of branches or subsidiaries, and restrictions on access to financing; calls on the Commission also to promote legislation minimising the risk of conflicts of interest and of regulatory capture, where the public interest is subordinated to the interests of the industries that are being regulated, and to call on the authorities of partner countries to adhere to the principle of open government, in order to ensure that procurement procedures are transparent, fair and open;

Or. es

Amendment 69
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Calls on the Commission also to ensure that trade agreements emphasise the importance of governments taking a suitably cautious approach to the use of PPPs and of them taking account not only of each project's viability and value for money, but also of whether there is the technical and financial capacity required in order properly to supervise the provision of the service or the operation of the piece of infrastructure involved, which must be carried out in keeping with the

public interest;

Or. es

Amendment 70
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Stresses that the use of PPPs has been problematic due to a lack of transparency regarding PPPs-contracts, lack of assessing methodologies and lack of a clear and transparent regulatory framework to prevent corruption;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Stress the link between PPPs and the risk of debt unsustainability; Notes that PPPs must not be the way to transfer the risk from rich private companies taxpayers in poor countries;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Daniel Caspary

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency of rules, decisions and implementation, adequate planning, medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, stakeholder participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, corruption deterrents, expertise of officials, appropriate risk assessment (from geopolitical contexts to interest rates) and allocation, and adequate investment protection;

Amendment

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency of rules, decisions and implementation, adequate planning, medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, stakeholder participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, corruption deterrents, expertise of officials, appropriate risk assessment (from geopolitical contexts to interest rates) and allocation, and adequate, ***transparent and, at the same time, effective*** investment protection;

Or. de

Amendment 73

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency of rules, ***decisions and implementation, adequate planning***, medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, stakeholder participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, corruption ***deterrents, expertise*** of officials, ***appropriate risk assessment (from geopolitical contexts to interest rates) and allocation***, and adequate investment protection;

Amendment

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency ***and clarity*** of rules ***on award, implementation and assessment from the early stages of the project, with particular reference to the definition of a risk transfer model, the assessment of*** medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, stakeholder participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, ***measures to combat corruption and fraud, technical training for officials and adequate funding for departments responsible for proper planning and supervision of compliance with contractual terms and conditions, greater legal certainty*** and adequate

investment protection, *within a framework that enables the public authorities to exercise their legitimate powers*;

Or. es

Amendment 74
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency of rules, decisions and implementation, adequate planning, medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, *stakeholder* participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, corruption deterrents, expertise of officials, appropriate risk assessment (from geopolitical contexts to interest rates) and allocation, *and adequate investment protection*;

Amendment

4. Acknowledges that PPP-related challenges can be overcome through principles of good governance, such as transparency of rules, decisions and implementation, *respect of countries sovereign policy space to take decisions in accordance to their populations' demands*, adequate planning, medium- and long-term cost-effectiveness, *civil society organisations (CSOs)* participation, reliability, accountability, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness, corruption deterrents, expertise of officials *debt risk assessments and* appropriate *overall* risk assessment (from geopolitical contexts to interest rates) and allocation;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Believes, therefore, the Commission and the Member States should work to

promote these principles and good practices beyond our borders; underlines that the Member States are the vital parties in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Notes that PPPs projects are opening up developing countries' health sector to the private sector leading to the diversion of the scarce public funds from primary healthcare services instead of strengthening the universal public healthcare delivery systems with catastrophic consequences as it was again revealed during the struggle against the Ebola disease;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4b. Stresses that PPPs should always comply with internationally agreed development principles such as the Development Effectiveness Principles, and should aligned with the partner countries' national development and should respect local knowledge and ownership as key ingredients of PPP

models and implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4c. Warns that the PPPs projects make it impossible to achieve the goal of food sovereignty as the PPPs harm small farmers by requiring developing countries to change their policies to facilitate the expansion of agribusiness and land grabbing in exchange of investment;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective services to the public is ***essential in order to ensure*** successful implementation and viability; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; warns that at some stages PPPs have been used to exploit loopholes in fiscal accounting and reporting, which has led Eurostat to adopt targeted accounting rules; highlights the need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation;

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality, ***accessible and*** cost-effective services to the public is ***a precondition for*** successful implementation and viability; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; warns ***of the risk of governments deciding to set up PPPs solely with a view to meeting deficit reduction targets, and points out*** that at some stages PPPs have been used to exploit loopholes in fiscal accounting and reporting, which has led Eurostat to adopt targeted accounting rules; highlights the

need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation, *in order to ensure that PPPs help to achieve the ultimate goal of securing public services of the highest possible quality and with the broadest possible coverage; stresses the importance, in this connection, of assessing the past record and experience of companies as regards quality of service and responsible business conduct;*

Or. es

Amendment 80
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective services to the public is essential in order to ensure successful implementation and viability; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; *warns that at some stages PPPs have been used to exploit loopholes in fiscal accounting and reporting, which has led Eurostat to adopt targeted accounting rules*; highlights the need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective services to the public, *both inside and outside the EU*, is essential in order to ensure successful implementation and viability; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; highlights the need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality, ***cost-effective*** services to the public is essential ***in order to ensure successful implementation and viability***; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; warns that at some stages PPPs have been used to exploit loopholes in fiscal accounting and reporting, which has led Eurostat to adopt targeted accounting rules; highlights the need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation;

Amendment

5. Recalls that the delivery of high-quality ***public*** services to the public is essential ***for reaching sustainable development***; recalls that the complex choice of models and contracts has an impact on a project's evolution; warns that at some stages PPPs have been used to exploit loopholes in fiscal accounting and reporting, which has led Eurostat to adopt targeted accounting rules; highlights the need for an adequate institutional framework combining political commitment, good governance and adequate underlying legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 82
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

5a. Points out, furthermore, that, with a view to ensuring that PPPs are not, in practice, a step towards the privatisation of public services and that governments can take over full management of such services, it is important to ensure in each case that the public entity involved is not dependent on the contracting private entity;

Amendment

Or. es

Amendment 83
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Stresses the increasing potential of PPPs to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in developing countries in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, the majority of which will need to come from the private sector; believes that PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models, and build mechanisms for holding the private sector accountable;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 84
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Stresses the increasing potential of PPPs to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in developing countries in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, the majority of which will need to come from the private sector; believes that PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models, and build mechanisms for holding the private sector accountable;

6. Believes that that only if properly regulated PPPs could also generate innovation in technologies and business models, and build mechanisms for holding the private sector accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses the increasing potential of PPPs to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in *developing countries* in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, **the majority of which will need to come from the private** sector; believes that PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models, **and build mechanisms for holding** the private sector **accountable**;

Amendment

6. Stresses the potential of PPPs to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, **and in many cases cannot be provided by the public sector alone**; believes that PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models; **points out, however, that private sector participation in PPPs in developing countries has in many cases proved ineffective and needs to be backed up by capacity-building support for those countries**;

Or. es

Amendment 86
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. **Stresses the increasing potential of PPPs** to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in developing countries in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, the majority of which **will need to come from** the private sector; believes that

Amendment

6. **Considers PPPs as one option among others** to foster innovative solutions mobilising long-term private finance and domestic resources for development objectives, given that massive investments are required in developing countries in terms of infrastructure, water supply and energy, the majority of which **would profit from an involvement of** the private sector;

PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models, and build mechanisms for holding the private sector accountable;

believes that PPPs can also generate innovation in technologies and business models, and build mechanisms for holding the private sector accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Urges EU bodies, in this connection, to support technical assistance programmes for developing countries in order to help strengthen the legal and institutional framework for PPPs and, in particular, enhance the ability of those countries properly to assess, plan and supervise the implementation of projects and to require companies to pay compensation in the event of non-performance;

Or. es

Amendment 88
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Notes that PPPs are high on the development agenda and they are increasingly being promoted as a way of closing the infrastructure financing gap in developed and developing countries alike;

Amendment 89
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Stresses the need for the EU trade policy to respect developing country policy space for the maintenance of robust import tariffs that facilitate creation of skilled and decent jobs within local manufacturing and agro-processing industries as possible enablers of higher domestic value added, industrial growth and diversification which is a key component of economic and social upgrading; stresses that, opposite to the negative impacts of PPPs, which allow private partners to have their risk almost completely covered by governments by transferring the business risk to the public sector, the increase of the public-public partnership is a mechanism to rehabilitate or improve government-operated infrastructure enterprises;

Amendment 90
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6c. Calls to consider PPPs only when other less expensive and risky financing options are not available

Amendment 91
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6d. Stress the capacity of PPPs to deliver positive development outcomes cannot be assumed; PPPs should be promoted and designed in a way that delivers real results for the poor;

Amendment 92
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Calls on EU bodies to encourage EU companies participating in PPPs in third countries, in particular in least-developed countries, to work in accordance with the principle of policy coherence so that development cooperation objectives are taken into consideration; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

deleted

Amendment 93
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on EU bodies to encourage EU companies participating in PPPs in third countries, in particular in least-developed countries, to work in accordance with the principle of policy coherence so that development cooperation objectives are taken into consideration; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable *investments* and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, *for instance*;

Amendment

7. Calls on EU bodies to encourage EU companies participating in PPPs in third countries, in particular in least-developed countries, to work in accordance with the principle of policy coherence so that development cooperation objectives are taken into consideration; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable *development* and promote projects focused on *poverty reduction*, environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on *EU bodies to encourage* EU companies participating in PPPs in third countries, in particular in least-developed countries, to work in accordance with the principle of policy coherence *so that development cooperation objectives are taken into consideration*; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

Amendment

7. Calls on *the Commission to develop a code of conduct, on the base of existing OECD Guidelines for multinationals, for* EU companies participating in PPPs in third countries, in particular in least-developed countries, *in order to enable them* to work in accordance with the principle of policy coherence *for development and to hold them accountable*; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments *by prioritising the long term development of domestic economies particularly in least-developed*

countries and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on EU bodies to encourage EU companies *participating* in PPPs in third countries, *in particular in least-developed countries, to work* in accordance with the principle of *policy coherence so that* development cooperation objectives *are taken into consideration*; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

Amendment

7. Calls on EU bodies to encourage EU companies *to participate* in PPPs in third countries in accordance with the principle of *consistency with* development cooperation objectives; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

Or. es

Amendment 96
Aldo Patriciello

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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taken into consideration; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

taken into consideration; calls on the Commission, furthermore, to encourage sustainable investments and promote projects focused on environmental protection, **public sector training**, waste management or the use of renewable energies, for instance;

Or. it

Amendment 97
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Stresses that in the area of development aid, PPPs are an effective way to spend European funds while supporting EU priorities and coherence with other policies; calls for greater Commission involvement and investment in development PPPs and to use PPPs as a vehicle to allow the extension of the Union's limited development budget;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Considers it essential, in accordance with the principle of policy coherence, for PPP projects in respect of which official development assistance is provided to be subjected to a prior assessment in order to determine their likely economic, social, employment, environmental and human

rights impact;

Or. es

Amendment 99
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7b. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that EU companies participating in PPPs abide by the principle of corporate social responsibility throughout the life cycle of projects; urges the Commission, in this connection, to draw up a European business and human rights plan in order to promote corporate social responsibility among EU companies in an effective manner;

Or. es

Amendment 100
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission to work towards gaining substantial market access commitments internationally in the World Trade Organisation and in ongoing bilateral negotiations with third countries in order to redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners;

deleted

Amendment 101
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Commission to *work towards gaining substantial market access commitments internationally in the World Trade Organisation and in ongoing bilateral negotiations with third countries in order to* redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners;

Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission to *acknowledge the reluctance of WTO members and main trading partners to concede substantial market access commitments which would* redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners, *while taking into account the lack of market competitiveness of particularly least-developed countries and remaining consistent with its current strategy to grant preferential treatment to such countries;*

Amendment 102
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Commission to *work towards gaining substantial market access commitments internationally in the World Trade Organisation and in ongoing bilateral negotiations with* third countries *in order to redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners;*

Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission to *help Member States protect their government procurement markets by taking an approach based on reciprocity in relation to* third countries *which are partners of the Member States and have set up protectionist systems;*

Amendment 103
Fernando Ruas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Commission to work towards gaining substantial market access commitments internationally in the World Trade Organisation and in ongoing bilateral negotiations with third countries in order to redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners;

Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission to work towards gaining substantial market access commitments internationally in the World Trade Organisation and in ongoing bilateral negotiations with third countries ***in a positive reciprocity approach, which allows international competition, in*** order to redress the asymmetries in the level of openness of EU government procurement markets as compared with those of other trading partners, ***including provisions relating to investments and access to public procurement, to ensure a level playing field for EU companies involved in PPP projects;***

Or. en

Amendment 104
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

8a. Asks the Commission to work to prevent all attempts to block European companies taking part in foreign PPPs through administrative, procedural and technical barriers;

Or. en

Amendment 105
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Commission to monitor EU businesses abroad and ***draw conclusions on success stories, models and good practices, with a view to drawing up guidelines, and to consider creating virtual documentation centres or observatories, to promote user-friendly platforms and networks for informing EU SMEs about opportunities to participate in PPPs abroad and to provide technical support as regards the legal framework and expected challenges; also calls on the Commission to promote the use of clear and comprehensive accounting rules at the international level so as to reduce the uncertainties associated with PPPs, while at the same time promoting sound budgetary policies and the sustainability of projects;***

Amendment

9. Calls on the Commission to monitor EU businesses abroad and ***produce an assessment of their viability and protection, in order to inform EU SMEs;***

Or. fr

Amendment 106
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Commission to monitor EU businesses abroad and draw conclusions on success stories, models and good practices, with a view to drawing up guidelines, and to consider creating virtual ***documentation*** centres or observatories, ***to promote user-***

Amendment

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friendly platforms and networks for informing EU SMEs about opportunities to participate in PPPs abroad and to provide technical support as regards the legal framework and expected challenges; also calls on the Commission to promote the use of clear and comprehensive accounting rules at the international level so as to reduce the uncertainties associated with PPPs, while at the same time promoting sound budgetary policies and the sustainability of projects;

access to documentation and to promote the setting up of user-friendly platforms and networks, to provide information on opportunities to participate in PPPs abroad and to provide technical support as regards the legal framework and expected challenges;

Or. es

Amendment 107
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Commission to monitor EU businesses abroad and *draw conclusions on success stories, models and good practices, with a view to drawing up guidelines, and to consider creating virtual documentation centres or observatories, to promote user-friendly platforms and networks for informing EU SMEs about opportunities to participate in PPPs abroad and to provide technical support as regards the legal framework and expected challenges;* also calls on the Commission to promote the use of clear and comprehensive accounting rules at the international level so as to reduce the uncertainties associated with PPPs, *while at the same time promoting sound budgetary policies and the sustainability of projects;*

Amendment

9. Calls on the Commission to monitor EU businesses abroad and *develop a legally binding framework ensuring accountability of the EU companies for their actions in developing countries in cases when they violate standards on human rights, gender equality, decent work, union rights, environmental protection, universal access to quality public services, social protection, public and universal health coverage, universal access to medicines, and food and product safety;* also calls on the Commission to promote the use of clear and comprehensive accounting rules at the international level so as to reduce the uncertainties associated with PPPs;

Or. en

Amendment 108
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Asks the Commission to undertake a study on the effects of the Union's FTAs and their implementation on the access to foreign PPPs by European companies; believes that such a study might give insight into their concrete impacts in the PPP field and eventually which barriers have not been addressed;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Urges the Commission also to promote platforms for structural dialogue between stakeholders in international PPPs, namely governments, donors, companies and civil-society organisations;

Or. es

Amendment 110
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Calls on the Commission and the

Member States to ensure that companies involved in PPPs respect corporate social responsibility (CSR) and corporate social accountability principles throughout the whole lifecycle of projects as PPPs cannot function effectively without an adequate regulatory framework;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Calls on the Commission to promote the use of clear and comprehensive accounting rules at international level in order to reduce the uncertainties associated with PPPs, while at the same time promoting sound budgetary policies and project sustainability;

Or. es

Amendment 112
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Given that in order to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that long-term investment will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment, good governance and effective dispute settlement; calls on the Commission and the Council to

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collaborate to ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient (the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets);

Or. fr

Amendment 113
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. *Given that in order* to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that *long-term investment* will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment, good governance and effective dispute settlement; calls on the Commission and the Council to *collaborate* to ensure that the necessary legal *set-up* in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient *(the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets);*

Amendment

10. *Underlines that* to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that *these long-term investments* will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment *with* good governance and effective dispute settlement; calls on the Commission and the Council to *work together* to ensure that the necessary legal *framework* in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Klaus Buchner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Given that ***in order to attract*** cross-border private-sector funds ***into*** PPPs, ***it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that long-term investment will*** benefit from ***a*** clear, stable and secure ***environment, good governance and effective dispute settlement***; calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ***ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient (the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets)***;

Amendment

10. Given that cross-border private-sector funds ***for*** PPPs, benefit from clear, stable and secure ***rules***, calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ***this end in the competent international fora and international finance institutions***;

Or. en

Amendment 115

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10**

Motion for a resolution

10. Given that in order to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances ***that long-term investment will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment, good governance and effective dispute settlement***; calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is transparent, effective ***and cost-efficient*** (the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets);

Amendment

10. Given that in order to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances ***as to legal certainty and good governance and adherence to the principles of transparency, equal treatment and non-discrimination***, calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is ***democratic***, transparent, ***fair, inclusive and*** effective (the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets);

Amendment 116
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Given that in order to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that long-term investment will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment, good governance ***and effective dispute settlement***; calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient (***the new EU competence for investment allows synergies between investment and government procurement in a way that adds value in terms of market access and protection of acquired rights and assets***);

Amendment

10. Given that in order to attract cross-border private-sector funds into PPPs, it is paramount to provide sufficient assurances that long-term investment will benefit from a clear, stable and secure environment, good governance; calls on the Commission and the Council to collaborate to ensure that the necessary legal set-up in this area exists and is transparent, effective and cost-efficient;

Amendment 117
Christofer Fjellner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

10a. Recalls the need for substantial investments in order to facilitate public-private partnerships outside the EU; considers comprehensive chapters on investment in free trade agreements, containing provisions on investment liberalisation, investment protection and

Amendment

*investor-to-state dispute settlement,
essential to encourage and safeguard
investments related to public-private
partnerships;*

Or. en

Amendment 118
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

PPPs outside the EU: new jobs and **growth opportunities for EU companies**

Amendment

PPPs outside the EU: new **decent** jobs and **equitable and sustainable growth**

Or. en

Amendment 119
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

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Or. fr

Amendment 120
Fernando Ruas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, **technology** and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Amendment

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, **technological capabilities** and innovation development in Europe, **in line to what is proposed by the European Fund for Strategic Investment internally**; recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Or. en

Amendment 121
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs **would** lead to substantial benefits in terms of **job** creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Amendment

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs **could** lead to substantial benefits in terms of **the** creation **of decent jobs**, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Amendment 122
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the *report* ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Amendment

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; recalls that the *2010 Commission study entitled* ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of job creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe; *recalls that the report ‘Internationalisation of European SMEs’ highlights the positive link between internationalisation and innovation in terms of product, service and processes;*

Amendment

11. Is convinced that increased participation by EU companies in large-scale international PPPs would lead to substantial benefits in terms of *decent* job creation, productivity, competitiveness, technology and innovation development in Europe;

Amendment 124
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Stresses that the work in this area must take into account, in particular, the challenges for EU-based SMEs in competing on international markets as parts of PPP and the need to ensure that SMEs gain concrete and fair access; highlights in this respect the importance of specific rules allowing for cluster or grouped tendering by SMEs and the use of open and transparent subcontracting chains; believes that SMEs should be encouraged to take part either as subcontractors or as part of consortiums tendering for contracts;

Amendment 125
Marine Le Pen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies in such

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ventures abroad;

Or. fr

Amendment 126
Lola Sánchez Caldentey

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies in such ventures abroad;

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Or. en

Amendment 127
Daniel Caspary

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies in such ventures abroad;

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies, ***in particular SMEs***, in such ventures abroad;

Or. de

Amendment 128
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies in such ventures abroad;

Amendment

12. Recalls the achievements in the EU through the use of PPPs in infrastructure development and vanguard fields of technology, research, e-learning and other high-added-value sectors, and encourages the Commission to identify those projects which have yielded the best results in the EU and to promote participation by EU companies *of all kinds* in such ventures abroad;

Or. es