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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 49**

**Draft opinion**  
**Alessia Maria Mosca**  
(PE554.841v01-00)

on the possible extension of geographical indication protection of the European Union to non-agricultural products  
(2015/2053(INI))

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**Amendment 1**  
**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses the importance of geographical indications (GIs) in the broader spectrum of intellectual property rights, **and the key role played by IPR in EU trade policy;**

*Amendment*

1. Stresses the importance of **agricultural** geographical indications (GIs) in the broader spectrum of intellectual property rights, **as a way to protect the value of the local, including infrastructure and employment and improve regional development;**

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses the importance of geographical indications (GIs) **in the broader spectrum of intellectual property rights, and the key role played by IPR** in EU trade policy;

*Amendment*

1. Stresses the importance of geographical indications (GIs) **as an important tool to enhance traceability, transparency and information for consumers and to enhance protagonism of EU territories in a more social and environmental sustainable approach to economic development, as well as** the key role played in EU trade policy;

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Christofer Fjellner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses ***the importance of*** geographical indications (GIs) in the broader spectrum of intellectual property rights, ***and the key role played by IPR in EU trade policy***;

*Amendment*

1. Stresses ***that*** geographical indications (GIs) ***can under certain circumstances play an important role*** in the broader spectrum of intellectual property rights, ***recalls that current intellectual property rights can serve the same purpose***;

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to ***adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs***, in order to increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products;

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to ***fully explore the advantages and potential disadvantages of an extension of GIs to non-agricultural products***, in order to increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products;

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase ***the*** distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products;

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase distinctiveness, ***guarantee traditional and original products, reduce disparities, alleviate the***

*impact on the internal market* and fully exploit the potential of protected products;

Or. el

**Amendment 6**  
**Dita Charanzová**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to ***increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected*** products;

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to ***fully exploit the positive economic effects of protecting the distinctiveness and quality of these*** products;

Or. en

**Amendment 7**  
**Emma McClarkin**  
on behalf of the ECR Group

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. ***Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt*** legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products;

*Amendment*

2. ***Believes that before*** the European Union ***consider adopting*** legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products, ***that further ex-ante impact assessment and analysis of the benefits that this would bring for European business should be conducted by the Commission;***

Or. en

**Amendment 8**  
**Christofer Fjellner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that *it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase the distinctiveness and fully exploit the potential of protected products;*

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that *non-agricultural products can be protected through other modes of intellectual property rights, such as copyright, trademarks and patents which can also increase the distinctiveness of the products;*

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase the distinctiveness *and* fully exploit the potential of protected products;

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that it would be highly recommended for the European Union to adopt legislation on non-agricultural GIs, in order to increase the distinctiveness, fully exploit the potential of protected products, *provide consumers with reliable information on their place and/or method of production and preserve the know-how and jobs relating to them;*

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Dita Charanzová**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***2a. Believes that an EU level system of protection for non-agricultural GIs should cover non-geographical names which are unambiguously associated with a given place;***

Or. en

**Amendment 11  
Eric Andrieu**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***2a. Notes that industrial and handicraft products connected with their origin or rooted in their territory are central to the economy and society in many of Europe's regions in that they generate non-relocatable activities directly linked to local ways of life, especially in rural areas; stresses that the adoption at European level of a system to protect industrial and handicraft products connected with their origin or rooted in their territory would allow the originality of our industrial and handicraft products to be maintained and prevent product standardisation;***

Or. fr

**Amendment 12  
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Stresses that protection for the geographical indications of non-agricultural products will help preserve the cultural and artistic heritage constituted by Europe's local and regional traditions;**

Or. es

**Amendment 13  
Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that *the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition;*

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that *for the time being levels of protection, acceptance and availability of enforcement mechanisms vary between Member States and can also be very different in EU trading partner countries; Notes that this has an adverse effect on further potential benefits that could be derived from agricultural GIs;*

Or. en

**Amendment 14  
Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in

countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition;

countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring *a more social, economic and environmental sustainable approach to economic development inside and outside EU, as well as* fair competition *and consumers protection*

Or. en

### **Amendment 15**

**Tokia Saïfi, Franck Proust, Marielle de Sarnez**

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 3**

##### *Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition;

##### *Amendment*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs *and traditional, high-quality know-how* is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition *and consumer safety*;

Or. fr

### **Amendment 16**

**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 3**

##### *Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and *it can be* an effective tool *in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair* competition;

##### *Amendment*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and an effective tool *to support micro, small and medium-sized businesses and manufactures (SMEs) preventing*

*unfair competition, counterfeiting and misleading imitation; recognising unitary protections of non-agricultural GIs would also contribute to build social capital in the region of production;*

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Marine Le Pen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest *in the framework of the common commercial policy* and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in *ensuring fair* competition;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products, *protecting traditional local activities and crafts and creating associated jobs, in the context of international competition in which EU countries are already disadvantaged;*

Or. fr

**Amendment 18**  
**Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the recognition of protection of non-agricultural GIs is both a defensive and offensive interest in the framework of the common commercial policy and it can be an effective tool in countering imitation and counterfeit products and in ensuring fair competition, *making it possible to identify more*

*effectively product authenticity,  
originality and quality;*

Or. es

**Amendment 19**  
**Tokia Saïfi, Franck Proust, Marielle de Sarnez**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3a. Believes that the extension of protection for EU geographical indications to non-agricultural products would be a way to stimulate European exports and gain market share while achieving international recognition of the products in question and developing their high-quality image and reputation through trade and trade negotiations;*

Or. fr

**Amendment 20**  
**Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3a. Considers that uniform protection of geographical indications for non-agricultural products in the EU could be an advantage in negotiating trade agreements with third countries, in particular trading partners that provide protection for non-agricultural GIs;*

Or. es

**Amendment 21**  
**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for *non-agricultural* products *would enable* the EU *to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations*;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for *agricultural* products *inside* the EU *is a first step to understand whether essentials such as the controlled retention of the full production chain in a geographically clearly defined region, is transferable to the non-agricultural sector*;

Or. en

**Amendment 22**  
**Aldo Patriciello**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations *and at the same time establish a quality benchmark for such products*;

Or. it

**Amendment 23**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that ***special (sui generis) legislation for non-agricultural products of the Member States is not enough and that*** a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

Or. el

**Amendment 24**  
**Dita Charanzová**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve ***similar*** protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple, ***transparent***, and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve ***equal*** protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations ***and create a significant advantage in negotiating free trade agreements with third countries***;

Or. en

**Amendment 25**  
**Emma McClarkin**  
on behalf of the ECR Group

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and **economically non-burdensome** EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for **such** European products **outside the EU** in the framework of international trade negotiations;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that a coherent, simple and **not** bureaucratically and **financially burdensome** EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for **these** European products **abroad** in the framework of international trade negotiations;

Or. en

**Amendment 26**  
**Tokia Saïfi, Franck Proust, Marielle de Sarnez**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that **a** coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome **EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products** would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that **an EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products which is** coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome **so that SMEs in particular could access it** would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;

Or. fr

**Amendment 27**  
**Christofer Fjellner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Is of the opinion that ***a coherent, simple and bureaucratically and economically non-burdensome EU-level system of GI protection for non-agricultural products would enable the EU to achieve similar protection for such European products outside the EU in the framework of international trade negotiations;***

*Amendment*

4. Is of the opinion that ***geographical indications for non-agricultural products risks introducing an outdated mode of protection in a more globalised economy, and do not take into account the value of the current proliferation of global value chains;***

Or. en

**Amendment 28**  
**Dita Charanzová**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4a. Believes that the establishment of such a system at the EU level could positively influence renewed discussions of the widening of GIs protection and the creation of a multilateral GIs register within the Doha Development Agenda of the World Trade Organisation;***

Or. en

**Amendment 29**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4a. Underlines that the absence of a harmonised and coherent EU system of GI protection for non-agricultural products negatively affects the EU's***

*capacity to negotiate the issue bilaterally with EU trading partners such as the US and Canada, and multilaterally within the WTO;*

Or. en

**Amendment 30**  
**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Considers that the *protection of non-agricultural GIs at EU level would be a positive signal for the ongoing discussions on GIs at multilateral level and that it is fully in line with the TRIPS Agreement;*

*Amendment*

5. Considers that the *discussion about newly developed versus traditional products, as well as the relation between GIs and trademarks, when it comes to non-agricultural products has yet to be held;*

Or. en

**Amendment 31**  
**Tokia Saïfi, Franck Proust, Marielle de Sarnez**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Considers that the protection of non-agricultural GIs at EU level would be a positive signal for the ongoing discussions on GIs at multilateral level and that it is fully in line with the TRIPS Agreement;

*Amendment*

5. Considers that the protection of non-agricultural GIs at EU level would be a positive signal for the ongoing discussions on GIs at multilateral level, *that it would strengthen the EU's hand in calling for an increase in the standard level of protection applying to all products* and that it is fully in line with the TRIPS Agreement;

Or. fr

**Amendment 32**  
**Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5a. Considers also important, in the framework of the EU trade and investment strategy, a fair and equitable access to non-agricultural GIs in third countries, especially the poorest ones in the framework also of a reform of the article 23rd of the TRIPS agreement;***

Or. en

**Amendment 33**  
**Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5a. Notes that the protection of non-agricultural GIs must be accompanied by a more effective strategy for the protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights in third countries, so as to step up measures to combat counterfeit or imitation products;***

Or. es

**Amendment 34**  
**Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5b. Considers important to guarantee the same safeguards provided to Non-agricultural products to agricultural GIs in relation to the TRIPS agreement. Calls the Commission in this framework to assess the TRIPS protection to date, particularly in relation to clear, consistent and structured notification and registration systems, and consistency in treatment;***

Or. en

**Amendment 35  
Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5c. Calls on the Commission also to assess the consistency of protection actually guaranteed by the TRIPS agreement with the necessary implementation of a Human Right Based approach in trade policies, inside and outside EU, as recently recalled by UN special rapporteur on promotion of a democratic and equitable international order;***

Or. en

**Amendment 36  
Eleonora Forenza**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5d. Expresses concerns over the compatibility of the extension of Igs to non-agricultural goods with the ongoing FTAs negotiations, in particular the TTIP and CETA;**

Or. en

**Amendment 37**  
**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, ***without*** lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

*Amendment*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, ***also depends on the establishment of a trustworthy authority which decides about the granting of the status of a non-agricultural GI, and on clear criteria to exclude the ephemeral creation of products for publicity and quick money making purposes, while at the same time not*** lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

Or. en

**Amendment 38**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, without lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

*Amendment*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, without lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries; ***takes the view that this would contribute to consumer protection by ensuring compliance with health standards and deter unfair competition;***

Or. el

**Amendment 39**  
**Dita Charanzová**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a ***single*** EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, ***without lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States,*** would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

*Amendment*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a ***uniform*** EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level, ***in parallel with protection offered at the level of the Member State,*** would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

Or. en

**Amendment 40**  
**Emma McClarkin**  
on behalf of the ECR Group

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs ***that includes a registration scheme recognised at EU level***, without lowering the standards of protection already existing in some Member States, ***would be the best*** way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

*Amendment*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs without lowering the standards of protection ***afforded by*** already existing ***systems*** in some Member States, ***such as trademarks, could be considered as one*** way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

Or. en

**Amendment 41**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes ***a registration scheme*** recognised at EU level, without lowering the standards of protection already existing in ***some*** Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

*Amendment*

6. Is of the opinion that the creation of a single EU-level protection of non-agricultural GIs that includes ***common definitions, registration procedures and costs, as well as scope of protection and enforcement means*** recognised at EU level, without lowering the standards of protection already existing in ***fifteen*** Member States, would be the best way to be more effective both within the EU and in negotiations with third countries;

Or. en

**Amendment 42**  
**Eleonora Forenza**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6a. Calls on the Commission to explore the possibility to experiment alternative schemes of non-agricultural GIs protection as Territorial Participatory Processes of Mutual Recognition, in particular for small scale producers and localized typical productions;**

Or. en

**Amendment 43**

**Eric Andrieu**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6a. Stresses that some of our major trade partners, such as India and China, have already introduced systems to protect geographical indications for non-agricultural products;**

Or. fr

**Amendment 44**

**Klaus Buchner**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs in ***the upcoming*** communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy.

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs in ***a future*** communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy, ***once all aspects have been sufficiently analysed.***

**Amendment 45**  
**Emma McClarkin**  
on behalf of the ECR Group

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs in the upcoming communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy.

*Amendment*

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs, ***including plans for an ex-ante impact assessment on the effects on non-agricultural products***, in the upcoming Communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy;

Or. en

**Amendment 46**  
**Tokia Saïfi, Franck Proust, Marielle de Sarnez**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs in the upcoming communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy.

*Amendment*

7. Calls on the Commission to include a coherent and well prepared strategy on all GIs, ***which ensures that they are observed and recognised***, in the upcoming communication on the EU's trade and investment strategy.

Or. fr

**Amendment 47**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***7a. Recalls that a better protection of extended GIs needs to be compatible with the existing European and international legal framework and meet both economic and stakeholders needs. In this regards is of the opinion that a future strategy on GIs should determine whether the specificities of non-agricultural products would justify adding other exceptions to those set out in Articles 22-23-24 of the TRIPS agreement and whether such protection would match the safeguards already provided to agricultural GIs at EU level;***

Or. en

**Amendment 48**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***7b. Considers that a coherent strategy on a broader GIs protection should include a review on the current functioning of EU customs and the need to harmonise control operations putting in place common systems to check compliance with legal requirements and prevent the entry and distribution of counterfeited goods;***

Or. en

**Amendment 49**  
**Tiziana Beghin, David Borrelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***7c. Stress the importance to find an appropriate link between a potential GIs system for non-agricultural products and international trademark law to avoid any legal uncertainty and confusion. In this regards, recalls the need to have a particular attention for future patents, design, trademark registration for non-agricultural GIs when exported to third countries;***

Or. en