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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion

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A new forward-looking and innovative future strategy on trade and investment
(2015/2105(INI))

Amendment 1
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph -1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1. Welcomes the Commission's communication on "Trade for all. Towards a more responsible trade and investment policy";

Or. en

Amendment 2
Nicola Danti, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, ***and the fact that open*** and free global trade ***is essential to making the single market function and grow***;

1. Stresses ***that EU common trade policy should be fully compatible with other EU policies and objectives and highlights the importance of*** the link between the single market and EU trade policy; ***believes that an open, fair*** and free global trade ***could strengthen internal and external EU competitiveness, sustainable and durable growth and social cohesion***;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and *free* global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that *a dynamic*, open and *fair* global trade *system* is essential to making the single market function and grow; *However, notes that this system needs effective, fair, transparent and strong global rules; Highlights that the multilateral rule-based system under the WTO is the most legitimate mean of managing and expanding trade relations in a more transparent and democratic way;*

Or. en

Amendment 4
Evelyne Gebhardt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function *and* grow;

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function, grow *and work to the benefit of citizens, consumers and small and medium-sized enterprises;*

Or. de

Amendment 5
Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow *in a spirit of reciprocity and mutual benefit*;

Or. fr

Amendment 6
Eva Paunova

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market *realise its full potential*, function *efficiently* and grow;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open and free global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open, *fair* and free global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow; *notes that trade should ultimately be for the benefit of citizens and consumers*;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Maria Grapini, Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open *and free* global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

Amendment

1. Stresses the link between the single market and EU trade policy, and the fact that open, *free and fair* global trade is essential to making the single market function and grow;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ia. Supports the Commission's aim of enhancing synergies between trade and internal market policies; recommends that it award priority, in these policies, to measures aimed at creating jobs, improving the trade and investment climate, resistance to economic shocks, fiscal governance and diversification of trade and investment flows, and promoting sustainable development;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade **is its strongest policy** tool for promoting European values abroad **while creating jobs and growth at home**;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, **sustainable and responsible** trade **can be a** tool for promoting European values abroad; **points out that a new future EU strategy on trade and investment paired by a coherent EU industrial policy, internal market and the economic policies will add value within the EU by fostering economic growth, investment and creating jobs**;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European **values** abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting **and supporting** European **interests, investment and business** abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Nicola Danti

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is **one of** its strongest policy tool for

European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

promoting European values abroad while ***having the potential for*** creating jobs and growth at home;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, ***fair*** trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Eva Paunova

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating ***sustainable*** jobs and growth at home;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home; ***notes the Commission's statement that exports support almost one in seven jobs in the single market;***

Or. en

Amendment 16

Antonio López-Istúriz White

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that, given the EU's status as the largest economy in the world, trade is its strongest policy tool for promoting European values abroad while creating jobs and growth at home; ***recalls that the opening up of trade leads to higher productivity, encourages increased external competitiveness and could directly generate economic growth of over 1.5 %, as well as bringing significant consumer benefits;***

Or. es

Amendment 17

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Points out that the new trade strategy

shall be conducted in the interest of European consumers and in a coherent manner with the principles, objectives and initiatives of the Union's external actions;

Or. en

Amendment 18

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Stresses that the new EU trade strategy should promote wealth distribution, help fighting against poverty and social and economic inequality and contribute to reinforce the rule of law, labour standards, human rights and fundamental freedoms at the same time as it creates economic growth and prosperity;

Or. en

Amendment 19

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2c. Points out that the trade policy should be accompanied by appropriate internal EU policies in order to allow consumers and workers in the EU to fully benefit from trade to be equipped with adequate social safety net; recalls the need for EU trade policy to be consistent with the EU's commitments on human rights and to

respect OIT international labour conventions;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2d. Points out that investment in education and innovation are key for the EU to compete successfully on the global markets while maintaining high levels of employment under fair conditions; stresses that social consequences of market opening must not only be addressed but foreseen and absorbed in a way that workers have the skills and tools needed to adapt to new challenges ; Considers therefore essential to invest in education and long life learning;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating;

deleted

Amendment 22

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects *an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating;*

Amendment

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects *that European goods and services are part of global value chains; calls on the Commission and Member States to strengthen cross-border value chains of goods and services enhancing the competitiveness of our economies and economic growth by reducing unjustified trade barriers;*

Or. en

Amendment 23

Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

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3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating;

Amendment

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating; *Considers that the current trade defence system in the EU needs to be updated to provide a suitable answer to unfair behaviour which affects international trade in a globalised world;*

Or. en

Amendment 24
Maria Grapini

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating;

Amendment

3. Welcomes the fact that the strategy reflects an understanding that protectionism has no place in the EU's internal or external policies and that European goods and services are part of global value chains which make protectionist measures self-defeating;
Draws attention to the fact that China will receive Market Economy Status by the end of 2016; recommends in this sense the introduction of adequate anti-dumping rules as Trade Defence Measures;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Nicola Danti, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Stresses the importance of ensuring that the EU and its trading partners play by equal rules; recalls that the EU must use all tools at its disposal to stand firm against unfair competition and non-compliance with both WTO principles and commitments taken by its trading partners;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Believes that it responds to sound legal and logic principles that complainants in investigations have to substantiate their allegations and prove that these measures are in the broader Community interest;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Maria Grapini, Marlene Mizzi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Considers that the European SME's participation to Global Value Chains is directly linked to the internationalization process; Requests in this sense the that the Commission take more measure in order to facilitate SME's access to third markets;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Takes note of the new strategy and recalls that commerce has to encourage

the development of international trade, while taking account of the specificities and sensibilities of certain sectors and emphasises that European goods and services form part of global value chains;

Or. fr

Amendment 29
Evelyne Gebhardt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls on the Commission, as regards the provisions on geographical indications of origin, not to disadvantage developing countries in trade agreements;

Or. de

Amendment 30
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls on the Commission on one hand to support SMEs going global and to make available more internationalization tools, which would result in increased export capacity, and on the other hand to ensure protection of SMEs from unfair trading practices;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Underlines that trade policy must support European SMEs, both directly through guidance on overcoming non-tariff barriers towards exporting their goods and services, but also indirectly through supporting their role as part of the supply chains of final product exporters; welcomes the strategy's commit to include SME chapters in all future FTAs as well as cross-chapter references to SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Welcomes the Strategy's comments on the role foreign direct investments plays in the Member States and the single market and supports all efforts towards encouraging greater FDIs in Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Acknowledges that in order for the EU to secure its place in global value chains a joined-up strategy across different areas of economic policy is needed; stresses the importance to ensure responsible management of supply chains, to tackle aggressive corporate profit shifting and tax avoidance strategies that profit from the fragmentation of value chains; Calls on the Commission for further and ambitious measures against aggressive tax planning and tax avoidance (tax rulings) which distort trade and competition, in order to promote balanced trade and fair competition between Member States and with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 34

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3c. Highlights the importance of promoting innovation and quality as an added value of European products; notes that the recognition in trade agreements of geographical indications should be a priority, it equally notes that the extension of geographical indications to non-agricultural products could be a tool to encourage international trade expansion; notes that this tool could be effective to fight against commercial frauds and counterfeiting of goods at the same time as it fosters R+D and competitiveness for our businesses;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Evelyne Gebhardt, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement *while ensuring a level playing field for an equal and fair access to it, urges the Commission to defend EU rules and standards when negotiating trade and investment agreements with non EU-countries;*

Or. en

Amendment 36

Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic *yet* ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Recognising that public procurement accounts for 15-20% of global GDP agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic *and* ambitious approach to public procurement, *especially within TTIP where only 32% of the US market is currently open to EU business;*

Or. en

Amendment 37

Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement; ***calls on the Commission to work to increase market access for European companies abroad while maintaining open access to the single market via the application of the public procurement directive;***

Or. en

Amendment 38
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement; ***Notes that the EU has already opened up its Public Procurement markets to a large extent but that European companies still face restrictions abroad;***

Or. en

Amendment 39
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement; ***Welcomes***

the Commission's current efforts to provide access to third country markets, but considers that further improvements should be made to make this instrument more suited and more easily exploitable by SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement *ensuring reciprocity in access to public procurement; reiterates the importance for the European Union of having a reciprocity instrument for public procurement;*

Or. fr

Amendment 41
Nicola Danti, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement *and believes that the amended proposal of the European Commission on an International Procurement Instrument (IPI) could be an important tool to secure reciprocity in the field of International Public Procurement market;*

Amendment 42
Robert Rochefort

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic *yet* ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic ***and*** ambitious approach to public procurement; ***recalls the urgent need to improve substantially conditions for granting EU undertakings access to public procurement in third countries; welcomes the publication by the Commission of its amended Proposal for a regulation on the 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 countries (COM(2016)0034);***

Or. fr

Amendment 43
Evelyne Gebhardt, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement; ***given the legislation on public procurement in the EU which came into force in 2016 and the possibility of reciprocal open market access for public procurement, calls for the achievements of the new directive on public procurement to be put into***

practice; points out that the fundamental principles for public in-house consultations, public-public cooperation and public-private partnership management systems should always be clearly defined and exempted from the Public Procurement Directive, as regards both the general economy and public utilities (water, energy, transport and the post office); points out, further, that the MEAT criteria applied in the legislation make it possible to use social, labour, quality and environmental considerations as award criteria in public procurement procedures, that they are therefore particularly significant and that they should take priority over purely cost-based decision-making;

Or. de

Amendment 44
Maria Grapini

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission on the need to take a holistic yet ambitious approach to public procurement; *Asks for a faster transition to e-procurement in order to facilitate companies' access to public procurement, SME's in particular;*

Or. en

Amendment 45
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Recalls that public tenders are one of the most promising economic sectors for the European economy and for SMEs in particular; expresses concern at the persisting restrictions in many third countries, which refuse to guarantee European companies similar access to their tender procedures or which apply standards that, in many cases, lack transparency and fairness;

Or. en

Amendment 46

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière, Olga Sehnalová

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 5**

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. ***Welcomes*** the Commission's ***pledge*** that no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards;

5. ***Stresses the importance of*** the Commission's ***commitment*** that no trade agreement will lower ***EU*** consumer protection, ***labour and environmental*** standards, ***which constitute the core of the European social model, while guaranteeing full compliance with the EU acquis;***

Or. en

Amendment 47

Theodoros Zagorakis

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 5**

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Welcomes the Commission's pledge that

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no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards;

no trade agreement will lower *the achievements of European* consumer protection standards;

Or. el

Amendment 48
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Welcomes the Commission's pledge that no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the Commission's pledge that no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards, *including in the context of the digital revolution*;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Nicola Danti, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Welcomes the Commission's pledge that no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the Commission's pledge that no trade agreement will lower consumer protection standards *and will continue to closely monitor that the ongoing negotiations respect this pledge*;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Evelyne Gebhardt

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Calls for measures to support consumers in the context of cross-border trade in goods and services with third countries, for example in the form of online help desks which provide information or advice in connection with disputes;

Or. de

Amendment 51

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Virginie Rozière

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6**

Draft opinion

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on ***better regulation, cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market;***

Amendment

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on ***removing obstacles to the completion of the single market; welcomes the Commission's commitment upon which every significant initiative in the field of trade policy will be subject to a sustainability impact assessment; reminds the importance of carrying ex post evaluations and highlights that impact assessments and evaluations including appropriate consultation of all stakeholders are crucial for the formulation of sound, transparent and evidence-based trade policies;***

Or. en

**Amendment 52
Liisa Jaakonsaari**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 6**

Draft opinion

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can *work only* if Europe *continues its focus* on better regulation, *cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market*;

Amendment

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can *benefit* if Europe *focuses* on better *and timely* regulation *within the single market, whilst keeping high levels of protection of consumers, labour and the environment*;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Nicola Danti

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market;

Amendment

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, *conducting valuable and comprehensive impact assessments*, cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, cutting red tape and *increased* competition within the single market;

Amendment

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, cutting red tape and *increasing* competition within the single market *particularly in the service sector and welcomes mutual transparency and improvement of regulatory processes within trade agreements without*

infringing on the national right to regulate;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market;

Amendment

6. Agrees with the Commission that trade policy can work only if Europe continues its focus on better regulation, cutting red tape and increased competition within the single market; *asks the Commission to take into account the recommendations of the Parliament as to how to remove non-tariff barriers within the single market in order to ensure free trade both inside and outside the Union's borders;*

Or. en

Amendment 56
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Acknowledges that transparency in trade is fundamental for consumers trust to better regulation and in order to reinforce public trust within the EU and the legitimacy of EU trade policy abroad; thus, considers it essential that transparency should apply at all stages of the negotiating cycle;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

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7. Welcomes the *TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;*

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 58
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

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7. Welcomes the *TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;*

Amendment

7. Welcomes the *negotiations on a Trade in Services agreement and underlines that as services are already 70% of the EU's GDP and employment, service providers must be given greater access to markets beyond Europe; at the same time, welcomes the commitment to not require governments to change how they regulate or fund public services;*

(To be read together with the amendment to 7a, which splits the paragraph into two paragraphs)

Or. en

Amendment 59
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Virginie Rozière, Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
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7. *Welcomes the* TiSA and TTIP negotiations, *calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;*

Amendment

7. *Calls for progress in the negotiations on the agreements of TiSA and TTIP to be consistent with the lines set out in the European Parliament's resolutions of 8 July 2015 containing the European Parliament's recommendations to the European Commission on the negotiations for the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)^{1a} and Recommendations to the European Commission on the negotiations for the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA)^{1b} especially as regards to the exclusion of services of general interest and services of general economic interest; a high level of consumer protection and labour and environmental standards; and also what concerns to a new public system for resolving disputes;*

^{1a}P8_TA-PROV(2015)0252

^{1b}P8_TA-PROV(2016)0041

Or. en

Amendment 60
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

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7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be ***ambitious, comprehensive and*** completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure ***they achieve*** greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment 61
Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly ***as ambitious and balanced agreements***, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Or. fr

Amendment 62
Maria Grapini

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed ***swiftly***, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed ***in a transparent manner, while taking into consideration the impact on SME's***, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Robert Rochefort

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations; ***states that the content thereof is more important than keeping to a timetable***; underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers

Or. fr

Amendment 64
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers;

Amendment

7. Welcomes the TiSA and TTIP negotiations, calls for them to be completed swiftly, and underlines the need to ensure greater market access for European service providers; ***recalls however that the Commission must take the different Member State interests into account when negotiating commitment schedules***;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Evelyne Gebhardt, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière, Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

7a. Calls on the current and future exclusion of services of general interest and services of general economic interest from trade agreements (including, but not

Amendment

limited to, water, health, social services, social security systems and education, waste management and public transport); welcomes the commitment by the Commission upon which it will not require governments to privatise any service nor prevent them from renationalising once privatised services, nor expanding the range of public interest services they offer to citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Louis Michel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses the necessity of ensuring a favourable environment enabling SMEs, real drivers for innovation and global growth, to become international;

Or. fr

Amendment 67
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Welcomes the TTIP negotiations and asks the Commission to take into account the Parliament's report and the opinion of the IMCO committee, in particular; calls for the negotiations to be completed as soon as possible and asks the Commission to apply greater pressure on their American counterparts to make proposals and commitments in order to move

negotiations forward;

(To be read together with the amendment to §7, which splits the paragraph into two paragraphs.)

Or. en

Amendment 68
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls for greater international regulatory cooperation, especially with the United States and Japan;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marlene Mizzi, Marc Tarabella, Virginie Rozière, Olga Sehnalová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls on the Commission to ensure the highest level of transparency, dialogue and accountability; keeping the European Parliament fully and immediately informed at all stages of the negotiations, ensuring the serious and continuous engagement of the EU institutions with all relevant stakeholders throughout the whole negotiation process as well as with national parliaments and regional and local authorities; furthermore calls on the Commission to encourage EU negotiating partners to equally act in widening transparency thus ensuring the democratic foundation of trade policy,

strengthening EU citizens trust and preventing misinformation;

Or. en

Amendment 70

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Marlene Mizzi, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, *in line with* data protection *rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data;*

Amendment

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new *unjustified* barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, *all measures to increase the free flow of data; however recalls that* data protection *rules are not a barrier to data flows but a fundamental right and that the latter should never compromise the EU's acquis on the former;*

Or. en

Amendment 71

Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, *in line with* data protection rules, *all measures to increase the free flow of data;*

Amendment

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports *all measures to increase the free flow of data provided EU data protection rules are adhered to;*

Or. fr

Amendment 72
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the *strategy's* focus *on* the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the focus *given to the Digital Single Market as part of* the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data; *fully agrees with the statement that regulatory cooperation, mutual recognition and harmonisation of standards are the best tools to address the challenges of the digital economy;*

Or. en

Amendment 73
Eva Paunova

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital *market* and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital *economy and efforts towards removing existing barriers* and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services *and ecommerce*; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, all measures to increase the free flow of data ***and all efforts to achieve improved facilitation of online trade on a multilateral level and in parallel with the WTO;***

Or. en

Amendment 75
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, ***all*** measures to increase the free flow of data;

Amendment

8. Welcomes the strategy's focus on the global digital market and preventing the development of new barriers to trade in digital goods and services; supports, in line with data protection rules, measures to increase the free flow of data;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Draws attention to the high level of external competitiveness of European services providers; calls on the

Commission to pursue, in trade negotiations, both the progressive and reciprocal liberalisation of services and a policy of increased transparency and predictability of rules and regulations, in order that citizens and entrepreneurs of developing countries can have access to a wider range of services, some of which may be provided by highly competitive European services providers;

Or. en

Amendment 77

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Marc Tarabella

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Amendment

9. Supports greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation; Considers that the internal market should ensure the free movement of people; asks the Commission together with the Member States to promote a European mobility that ensures freedom of movement, the principle of equal treatment, and equal access to regulated professions while ensuring fair working conditions for all Europeans;

Or. en

Amendment 78

Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to

Amendment

9. Welcomes discussions within or in

trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

parallel to trade agreements on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation *on a case by case basis whilst appreciating labour market sensitivities and admission requirements for the movement of natural persons established in Member States*;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Philippe Juvin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, *and visa facilitation*;

Amendment

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals *and* recognition of professional qualifications;

Or. fr

Amendment 80
Maria Grapini

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Amendment

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals *and labour force*, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Theodoros Zagorakis

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Amendment

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, *students and trainees*, recognition of professional qualifications *and skills* and visa facilitation *where provided for*;

Or. el

Amendment 82
Evelyne Gebhardt, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Amendment

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation; *calls for strict compliance with the Services Directive in the context of the provision of services, and calls, in that connection, for Article 16 to be complied with and enforced, as only on this basis are comprehensive consumer, employee and environmental protection and security of implementation for providers possible*;

Or. de

Amendment 83
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation;

Amendment

9. Calls for negotiations – in parallel to trade agreements – on greater mobility for professionals, recognition of professional qualifications, and visa facilitation; ***asks the Commission to inform the Parliament of the current status of the implementation of the Blue Card directive and if it is working in practice;***

Or. en

Amendment 84

Louis Michel

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. Stresses that the new digital age reinforces the need to protect the right of access to personal data, the rights to rectification, to be forgotten or to erasure as well as the right to privacy;

Or. fr

Amendment 85

Maria Grapini

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

Amendment

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies;

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards ***based on impact assessments***, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies;

Or. en

Amendment 86

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies;

Amendment

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies ***safeguarding high EU standards and preserving the current level of protection of the EU legislation.***

Or. en

Amendment 87

Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies;

Amendment

10. Encourages the use and creation of further international technical standards, and all efforts aimed at ensuring the full engagement of our trading partners in international standardisation bodies; ***does not believe, however, that a lack of a common international standard should prevent a mutual recognition of equivalence, where appropriate, nor work towards common transatlantic technical standards;***

Or. en

Amendment 88

Dita Charanzová

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 11**

Draft opinion

11. Stresses that a digitised customs control system is needed in order to *speed* up transfers of goods, especially within global supply chains.

Amendment

11. Stresses that a *well-functioning and* digitised customs control system is needed in order to *ease and speed* up transfers of goods, especially within global supply chains; *encourages the Commission and the Member States to work together towards the prevention of IPR infringing goods entering the EU and towards IPR enforcement in all trade partners;*

Or. en

**Amendment 89
Emma McClarkin**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 11**

Draft opinion

11. Stresses that a digitised customs control system is needed in order to speed up transfers of goods, *especially* within global supply chains.

Amendment

11. Stresses that a digitised customs control system *in addition to improved cooperation between Member State customs and market surveillance authorities* is needed in order to speed up transfers of goods *and tackle counterfeits* within global supply chains;

Or. en

**Amendment 90
Maria Grapini**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 11**

Draft opinion

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system is needed in order to speed up transfers of goods, especially within global supply chains.

system is needed in order to speed up transfers of goods, especially within global supply chains *without affecting the quality of control and consumer protection with regard to imported goods and services;*

Or. en

Amendment 91
Liisa Jaakonsaari

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Notes that trade and investment negotiations will increasingly address regulatory issues rather than tariffs, such as in the context of the TTIP negotiations; stresses therefore the role of the European Parliament in monitoring the negotiation and implementation of trade agreements to ensure democratic accountability;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Lucy Anderson, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Emphasise that trade policy should focus on delivering growth, creating jobs and fostering innovation in order to addresses the concerns of those who feel they are losing out from globalisation; to this end, it is considered essential for this new strategy to improve conditions "for all" - citizens, consumers, workers and the self-employed as well as business,

especially SMEs, and the poorest in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Supports the Commission's initiative to strengthen the international customs cooperation to make customs procedures more efficient, to reduce costs for traders and to better address security, safety and IPR challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Welcomes the Commission's actions towards fighting corruption through international trade;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11b. Notes the ongoing shortage of Commission staff assigned to DG Trade and its negotiating teams; calls on the Commission to guarantee that negotiating teams are assigned the staff needed to ensure that all negotiations can be equally treated and agreements speedily adopted, based on the best available technical knowledge;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11b. Invites the Commission and the Member States to give serious consideration to the idea of setting up a unified EU customs service for a more effective application of custom rules and procedures throughout the customs territory of the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Nicola Danti, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Virginie Rozière

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11b. Stresses that the EU's new trade strategy cannot be limited to opening new negotiations but must also ensure the proper implementation of negotiated

agreements and combat the rise of new unjustified non-tariff barriers among the EU and its trading partners, which limit the effective access of companies to foreign markets;

Or. en