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AMENDMENTS

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The New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition
(2015/2277(INI))

Amendment 1
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Citation 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the Declaration of the Global Convergence of Land and Water Struggles, delivered at the World Social Forum in Tunis, in March 2015^{1a};

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<http://viacampesina.org/en/index.php/main-issues-mainmenu-27/agrarian-reform-mainmenu-36/1775-declaration-of-the-global-convergence-of-land-and-water-struggles>

Or. en

Amendment 2
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Citation 35 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the African Civil Society Demands for the Inclusion of Food Sovereignty and the Right to Food in the Germany G7 Presidency Agenda in June 2015^{1a};

^{1a} <http://afsafrika.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/AFSA-Demands-to-the-Germany-G7-Presidency-Agenda.pdf>

Or. en

Amendment 3
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Citation 35 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the Milan Charter ^{1 a}, which was presented at Expo 2015 under the theme Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life and signed by more than one million heads of state, governments and private individuals and which calls on all associations, businesses, national and international institutions and private individuals to take responsibility for ensuring that future generations may enjoy their right to food and includes binding commitments to guarantee that right throughout the world,

^{1 a} http://carta.milano.it/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/English_version_Milan_Charter.pdf

Or. it

Amendment 4
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Citation 35 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the fact that the UN Committee on World Food Security is the adequate forum for agreement to policy guidance on this issue internationally and it is in this forum that all concerned parties have a voice;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Citation 35 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact of 15 October 2015^{1 a} put forward by Milan City Council and signed by 113 cities around the world, which was submitted to the United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki Moon, and illustrates the key role played by cities in food policy making,

^{1 a} <http://www.foodpolicymilano.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Milan-Urban-Food-Policy-Pact-EN.pdf>

Or. it

Amendment 6
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition in Africa (NAFSN) aims to *engage private partners to invest in African agriculture*; whereas the participating countries have negotiated Country Cooperation Frameworks (CCFs) setting out commitments to facilitate private investment;

A. whereas the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition in Africa (NAFSN) aims to *improve food security and nutrition by helping 50 million people in Sub-Saharan Africa out of poverty by 2020*; whereas the participating countries have negotiated Country Cooperation Frameworks (CCFs) setting out commitments to facilitate private investment *in the agriculture sector in Africa*;

Or. fr

Amendment 7
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas investment in small-scale farming has been neglected over the last thirty years in Africa, while low-income countries' dependence on food import grew significantly, rendering them vulnerable to price variations on international markets;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas large public-private partnerships (PPPs) risk creating dominant positions for large agricultural companies in African agriculture which crowd out local businesses;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 9
Maurice Ponga

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas large public-private partnerships (PPPs) *risk creating*

B. whereas large public-private partnerships (PPPs), *and NAFSN in*

dominant positions for large agricultural companies in African agriculture which crowd out local businesses;

particular, have enabled over 200 international and African companies to sign letters of intent for investment in African agriculture worth USD 10 billion;

Or. fr

Amendment 10
Maurice Ponga

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas private investment under NAFSN has reached over 8.2 million smallholders and created more than 21 000 jobs, more than half of which are for women;

Or. fr

Amendment 11
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital B b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bb. whereas the food crisis of 2008 generated a universal recognition of the need to support smallholder food production for domestic markets;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital B c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bc. whereas the launch of structural adjustment programmes in the early 1980s contributed to the development of an export-led agriculture, where priority was given to increase the production of cash crops for global markets; whereas such choice favoured large-scale, highly capitalised and mechanised forms of production, while small-scale farming was comparatively neglected;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital B d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bd. whereas international markets will be more volatile in the future; whereas countries should not take the risk of being excessively dependent on imports but rather invest primarily in domestic food production to build resilience;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas family farmers and

deleted

smallholders have been largely excluded from NASFN;

Or. en

Amendment 15

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas family farmers and smallholders have been largely excluded from NASFN;

Amendment

C. whereas a human-rights based approach requires a high degree of participation by communities, civil society, minorities, women, etc. in the decision making process; whereas family farmers and smallholders have been largely excluded from NASFN; whereas women represent up to 50% of family farmers in SSA^[1];

[1] The State of Food and Agriculture. Women in Agriculture. Closing the gender gap for development, FAO (2011). <http://www.fao.org/docrep/013/i2050e/i2050e.pdf>,

Or. en

Amendment 16

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas family farmers and smallholders ***have been largely excluded from*** NASFN;

Amendment

C. whereas family farmers and smallholders ***must be at the heart of*** NASFN;

Or. fr

Amendment 17

Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas food security in developing countries largely depends on the sustainable use of natural resources;

Or. fr

Amendment 18

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas so-called ‘growth poles’ aim to attract international investors by making land available to large private companies at the expense of family farmers;

D. whereas so-called ‘growth poles’ aim to attract international investors by making land available to large private companies, ***and whereas this must not be done*** at the expense of family farmers;

Or. fr

Amendment 19

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas the agreements on NASFN do not contain any concrete indicator on hunger and malnutrition;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital D b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Db. whereas family farmers and smallholders have demonstrated their ability to provide diversified products and to increase food production sustainably, through the use of agro-ecological practices;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas agriculture accounts for at least 14% of the total annual greenhouse gas emissions, mostly due to the use of nitrogen fertilizers;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F. whereas different forms of land tenure *deleted*

exist (customary, public and private), but NAFSN almost exclusively refers to land titling to address tenure rights;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas different forms of land tenure exist (customary, public and private), *but NAFSN almost exclusively refers to land titling to address tenure rights;*

Amendment

F. whereas different forms of land tenure exist (customary, public and private);

Or. fr

Amendment 24
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Fa. whereas, by 2050, 70% of the world's population will live in cities and a combined global and local approach to nutrition will be more necessary than ever before;

Amendment

Or. it

Amendment 25
Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas land titling ***does not guarantee*** protection from land expropriation and resettlement, ***while the evidence suggests that titling schemes often increase inequalities***;

Amendment

G. whereas land titling ***guarantees*** protection from land expropriation and resettlement ***and it is an important feature for ensuring legal land rights, irrespective of whether they are customary rights or non-customary rights***;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas land titling ***does not guarantee protection from*** land expropriation and resettlement, ***while the evidence suggests that titling schemes often increase inequalities***;

Amendment

G. whereas land titling ***is not the only guarantee against*** land expropriation and resettlement;

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ga. whereas gender is a very important dimension of investment in agriculture in Africa; whereas rural women have long been discriminated in their access to a range of productive resources, including land, credit, inputs and services;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 28
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Gb. whereas until recently, support provided to agriculture has concentrated on male-managed export crops, leaving women largely in charge of handling the task of producing food for the sustenance of the family;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Gc. whereas FAO estimates that about 75 % of plant genetic diversity has been lost worldwide; whereas wide-scale genetic erosion increases our vulnerability to climate change and to the appearance of new pests and diseases;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Gd. whereas control, ownership and affordability of seeds are essential to food security resilience of poor farmers;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas improvements in nutrition gaps in Africa are central to the sustainable development agenda; whereas poor nutrition derives from a host of interacting processes that link health care, education, sanitation and hygiene, access to resources, women's empowerment and more;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital H b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Hb. whereas commitments taken under the CCF on regulatory reforms in the seed sector aim to strengthen plant breeder's rights at the expense of the current farmers' seed systems on which poorest farmers still largely rely upon;

Or. en

Amendment 33

Enrique Guerrero Salom, Patrizia Toia, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Notes that several CCFs focus on the development of special economic areas with the goal of maximising investments through initiatives ranging from road or energy infrastructure to tax, customs or land tenure regimes;

Amendment

1. Notes that several CCFs focus on the development of special economic areas with the goal of maximising investments through initiatives ranging from road or energy infrastructure to tax, customs or land tenure regimes; ***stresses the need also to improve and ensure focus on access to water , scaling up Nutrition-Education and sharing best practice strategies;***

Or. en

Amendment 34

Enrique Guerrero Salom, Patrizia Toia, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Observes that agricultural investment policies tend to encourage large-scale land acquisitions and focus on export-oriented agriculture that is usually unrelated to local economies; accordingly, questions the ability of mega-PPPs to contribute to poverty reduction and food security;

Amendment

2. Observes that agricultural investment policies tend to encourage large-scale land acquisitions and focus on export-oriented agriculture that is usually unrelated to local economies; accordingly, questions the ability of mega-PPPs to contribute to poverty reduction and food security; ***recalls that the FAO Tenure Guidelines recommend to secure access to land to allow families to produce food for household consumption and to increase household income; stresses the need to base large-scale land based investment in Africa on these guidelines, ensuring smallholder and local communities' access to land, promoting local SME investment and ensuring that PPPs***

contribute to food security and to reducing poverty and inequality;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. *Observes* that agricultural investment policies *tend to* encourage large-scale land acquisitions *and* focus on export-oriented agriculture *that is usually unrelated to local economies; accordingly, questions the ability of mega-PPPs to contribute to poverty reduction and food security;*

Amendment

2. *Emphasises* that agricultural investment policies *should not only* encourage large-scale land acquisitions, *nor* focus *solely* on export-oriented agriculture, *but should be linked and support the development of the local economy; stresses the need to support smallholders and their families under NAFSN;*

Or. fr

Amendment 36

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Observes that agricultural investment policies *tend to encourage* large-scale land acquisitions and focus on export-oriented agriculture *that is usually unrelated to local economies; accordingly, questions the ability of mega-PPPs to contribute to poverty reduction and food security;*

Amendment

2. Observes that agricultural investment policies *at times witness* large-scale land acquisitions and focus on export-oriented agriculture;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Deplores the lack of consultation of African CSOs in the launch of the NAFSN; stresses that participation of food-insecure groups in the policies that affect them should become the cornerstone of all food security policies;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Notes with concern that NAFSN promotes intensive agriculture that heavily relies on chemical fertilisers and hybrid seeds, with consequences affecting local communities such as soil erosion, ecological and health risks and biodiversity loss;

3. Notes with concern that NAFSN promotes intensive agriculture that heavily relies on chemical fertilisers and hybrid seeds, with consequences affecting local communities such as soil erosion, ecological and health risks and biodiversity loss; *notes equally that the development of extensive irrigation in the targeted geographical investment areas may reduce water availability for other users, such as small-scale farmers or pastoralists;*

Or. en

Amendment 39
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. *Notes with concern* that NAFSN *promotes intensive agriculture that heavily relies on* chemical fertilisers and hybrid seeds, *with* consequences *affecting* local communities such as *soil erosion, ecological and health risks and biodiversity loss*;

Amendment

3. *Stresses* that NAFSN *must restrict, as far as possible, the use of* chemical fertilisers and hybrid seeds *that may have health and environmental* consequences *for* local communities, such as *biodiversity loss and soil erosion*;

Or. fr

Amendment 40
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. *Notes with concern* that NAFSN *promotes intensive agriculture that heavily relies on chemical fertilisers and hybrid seeds, with consequences affecting* local communities such as *soil erosion, ecological and health risks and biodiversity loss*;

Amendment

3. *Points out* that NAFSN *has made a commitment to promoting inclusive, agriculture-based growth that supports small-scale farming and helps reduce poverty, hunger and under-nutrition*;

Or. fr

Amendment 41
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

3a. Criticizes the assumption under which corporate investment in agriculture automatically improve food and security nutrition and reduce poverty;

Amendment

Amendment 42

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Calls on governments and donors to suspend or review all policies, projects and consultancy arrangements that directly encourage and facilitate land grabbing by supporting highly harmful projects and investments or indirectly increase pressure on land and natural resources and can result in serious human rights violations; calls for support to be given instead to policies which protect and assign priority to small-scale food producers, particularly women, and promote the sustainable use of land;

Or. it

Amendment 43

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Stresses that the expansion of large-scale agricultural production through mega-PPPs in areas of high-carbon stock, such as peat land or forests can contribute to climate change;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4b. Notes with concern that in Malawi NAFSN promotes the expansion of tobacco production instead of supporting alternative livelihoods in accordance with obligations under the World Health Organisation Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) of 2005 and commitments made in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Enrique Guerrero Salom, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Urges the EU Member States to strive to transform NAFSN into a genuine instrument of support for family farming and local economies in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), recalling that family farmers and smallholders produce about 80 % of the world's food and provide over 60 % of employment in SSA;

5. Urges the EU Member States to strive to transform NAFSN into a genuine ***tool for sustainable development and into an*** instrument of support for family farming and local economies in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), recalling that family farmers and smallholders produce about 80 % of the world's food and provide over 60 % of employment in SSA;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Notes with concern that CCFs refer only selectively to international standards that define responsible investment in agriculture; and that they neither refer to the FAO 2004 Voluntary Guidelines to support the progressive realisation of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security nor to any duties of the private investors to respect human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. *Calls on* the parties to NAFSN to incorporate the FAO's 'Voluntary Guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security', to commit to implementing international standards that define responsible investment in agriculture, and to abide by the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the OECD's Guidelines on Multinational Enterprises;

6. *Draws attention to the commitment made by* the parties to NAFSN to incorporate the FAO's 'Voluntary Guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security', ***and calls on the parties to NAFSN*** to commit to implementing international standards that define responsible investment in agriculture, and to abide by the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the OECD's Guidelines on Multinational Enterprises;

Or. fr

Amendment 48
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Stresses that NAFSN must step up good governance as regards natural resources, in particular by guaranteeing that people have access to their own resources and by protecting their rights in the context of contracts on deals relating to natural resources;

Or. fr

Amendment 49
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Calls for the EU to work with the United Nations towards the adoption by all countries, on a binding basis, of the Milan Charter and the commitments it contains;

Or. it

Amendment 50
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6c. Emphasises how important water regulation and combating climate change are for sustainable agriculture; calls on all NAFSN partners to focus on improving access to water and to techniques involving irrigation and

stepping up environmental protection and soil conservation;

Or. fr

Amendment 51

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6d. Calls for the EU to work with the United Nations towards the adoption and dissemination of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact;

Or. it

Amendment 52

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Calls on the participating countries to commit to implementing international standards that regulate investment via a human-rights based approach, including the AU's Framework and Guidelines on Land Policy in Africa and its Guiding Principles on Large Scale Based Investments in Africa;

7. Calls on the participating countries to continue to implement the policy reforms they signed up to under the New Alliance framework, as evidence highlights that some of the most difficult to implement reforms concern exactly the areas which The New Alliance itself is criticised for disregarding, such as land and resource rights, nutrition reforms, gender discrimination, access to financial instruments and insurance policies; calls on the participating countries to also commit to implementing international standards that regulate investment via a human-rights based approach, including the AU's Framework and Guidelines on Land Policy in Africa and its Guiding

Amendment 53

Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Stresses that NAFSN must encourage the establishment of processing industries in the agriculture sector and the improvement of food storage techniques, and must strengthen the link between agriculture and trade;

Or. fr

Amendment 54

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Calls for all letters of intent within the CCFs to be published in full; stresses the need for strong institutional and legal frameworks to ensure a fair sharing of risks and benefits; ***calls for the revision of the CCFs to involve civil society organisations, farmers and end-users*** in order to ***sufficiently monitor and regulate PPPs;***

8. Calls for all letters of intent within the CCFs to be published in full, ***in accordance with the applicable law;*** stresses the need for strong institutional and legal frameworks to ensure a fair sharing of risks and benefits; ***emphasises that active participation on the part of civil society within NAFSN is crucial*** in order to ***step up transparency and ensure its objectives are met; points out that dialogue and consultation with all civil society groups must be encouraged;***

Or. fr

Amendment 55

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to set up *a* strict accountability mechanism, including an appeal mechanism for local people and communities;

Amendment

9. ***Deems that mega-PPPs are inherently risky in Sub-Sahara African countries, where governance is poor and provides opportunities for corruption;*** Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to set up ***independent and*** strict accountability mechanism, including an appeal mechanism for local people and communities;

Or. en

Amendment 56

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to ***set up a strict accountability mechanism, including an appeal mechanism for*** local people and communities;

Amendment

9. Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to ***submit annual reports on the action taken under NAFSN and to make those reports public and accessible to*** local people and communities;

Or. fr

Amendment 57

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to set up *a strict* accountability mechanism, including an appeal mechanism for local people and communities;

Amendment

9. Stresses that private companies involved in multilateral development initiatives should be accountable for their actions; calls on the parties to NAFSN, to this end, to set up *an* accountability mechanism, including an appeal mechanism for local people and communities;

Or. en

Amendment 58

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Notes that multinationals operating under the NAFSN favour large-scale contract farming, which risks marginalising small-scale producers; calls on the ten African states in the NAFSN to ensure that contract farming benefit both buyers and local suppliers; to this end, deems crucial to strengthen i.e. farmers' organisations so as to improve the bargaining position of farmers;

Or. en

Amendment 59

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Highlights that the private sector is already driving 90% of jobs in partner countries and the potential for private sector participation is undeniable, as they are ideally suited to providing a sustainable base for mobilising domestic resources, which forms the basis of any aid program; underlines the importance of a transparent regulatory framework that clearly establishes the rights and obligations of all actors, including those of poor farmers and vulnerable groups, without which these rights cannot be successfully protected;

Or. en

Amendment 60

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls *for* the *CCFs* to *be revised so as to effectively tackle* the risks of *contract farming and out-grower schemes for small-scale producers by ensuring* fair contract provisions, including pricing arrangements, and appropriate dispute settlement mechanisms;

Amendment

10. Calls *on* the *parties* to *NAFSN to promote, in cooperation forums, the adoption* of fair contract provisions, including pricing arrangements, and appropriate dispute settlement mechanisms;

Or. fr

Amendment 61

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls for the CCFs to be revised so as to effectively tackle the risks of contract farming and out-grower schemes for small-scale producers by ensuring fair contract provisions, including pricing arrangements, and appropriate dispute settlement mechanisms;

Amendment

10. Calls for the CCFs to be revised so as to effectively tackle the risks of contract farming and out-grower schemes for small-scale producers by ensuring fair contract provisions, including pricing arrangements, ***respect for women's rights, support to sustainable agriculture*** and appropriate dispute settlement mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 62

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warns that a pure focus on land titling often leads to insecurity for small-scale food producers and indigenous people, especially women, who lack legal recognition of their land rights and are vulnerable to unfair land deals, expropriation without consent or lack of fair compensation;

Amendment

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 63

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warns that a pure focus on land titling often leads to insecurity for small-scale food producers and indigenous people, especially women, who lack legal

Amendment

11. Stresses that formal land titling is not a matter of destabilising customary arrangements, but on the contrary, of enforcing them as tenure security,

recognition of their land rights and are vulnerable to unfair land deals, expropriation without consent or lack of fair compensation;

especially for small-scale food producers, *women* and indigenous people, *who, under traditional arrangements* lack legal recognition of their land rights and are vulnerable to unfair land deals, expropriation without consent or lack of fair compensation;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Underlines the need to have small-scale food producers at leading positions, allowing their own independent organizations to support them in controlling their land, natural resources and programs;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11b. Notes with concern that investors and local elites involved in land deals often describe the areas being targeted as "empty", "idle" or "under-utilised", yet very little land in Africa is truly idle, given i.e. pastoralist activities;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11c. Highlights that 1.2 billion people still live either without permanent access to land, or occupying property for which they have no formal claim, no legal titles, no surveys delineating their lands and no legal or financial means of turning property into capital;

Or. en

Amendment 67
Enrique Guerrero Salom, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Welcomes the inclusion in all CCFs of the 2012 Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests (VGGT); calls for the effective implementation and systematic assessment of compliance with the VGGT within the review process for the CCFs;

12. Welcomes the inclusion in all CCFs of the 2012 Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests (VGGT); calls for the effective implementation and systematic assessment of compliance with the VGGT ***and with the SDG framework*** within the review process for the CCFs;

Or. en

Amendment 68
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Stresses that NAFSAN should focus on combating land grabbing, which constitutes a human rights violation as it deprives local communities of land on which they depend to produce food and feed their families; points out that in a number of developing countries land grabbing has deprived people of their work and their means of subsistence and forced them to leave their homes;

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on African countries to recognise all legitimate rights to land, including customary tenure rights;

Amendment

13. Calls on African countries to recognise all legitimate rights to land, including customary tenure rights; ***and as recommended by the VGGT , calls to promote new laws and/or effectively enforce existing laws that put effective safeguards to large-scale land transactions, such as ceilings on permissible land transactions and ensure regulating how transfers exceeding a certain scale should be approved by national parliaments;***

Or. en

Amendment 70
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on African countries to *recognise all legitimate rights to land, including customary tenure* rights;

Amendment

13. Calls on African countries to *make every effort to adopt the laws required in order to ensure legal certainty over land* rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 71

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Calls on African countries to recognise all legitimate rights to land, including customary tenure rights;

Amendment

13. Calls on African countries to recognise all legitimate rights to land, including *informal, indigenous and* customary tenure rights;

Or. en

Amendment 72

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

13a. Calls on the governments of the countries concerned to ensure that the principle of free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) is observed for all communities affected by land grabbing and that consultations are held in order to ensure the equal participation of all local community groups, in particular those that are most vulnerable and marginalised;

Amendment

Amendment 73

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13b. Recalls equally that user rights derived from customary tenure should be recognised and protected by a legal system in line with the provisions and rulings of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 74

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Calls for NAFSN to be subject to an ex ante impact study regarding land rights and to be conditional on the free, prior and informed consent of the local people affected;

14. Suggests, in this connection, that NAFSN should conduct an ex ante impact study in order to ascertain what effect the investment projected to take place under the Alliance will have on land rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 75

Enrique Guerrero Salom, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Supports a robust and innovative monitoring mechanism within the CFS; calls on the EU to build a strong position, in consultation with Civil Society organizations, in order to contribute to the global monitoring event during the 43rd CFS session in October 2016, in order to ensure a comprehensive and thorough assessment of the use and application of the Tenure Guidelines;

Or. en

Amendment 76

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Calls on the governments of the countries concerned to ensure that firms carefully analyse the impact of their activities on human rights (due diligence) by conducting and publishing independent prior assessments of their impact on human, social and environmental rights and improving and ensuring access to domestic human rights complaints processes that are independent, transparent, reliable and appealable;

Or. it

Amendment 77

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14c. Calls on parties to NAFSN to put in place independent grievance mechanisms for those communities affected by land dispossession as a result of large-scale investment projects;

Or. en

Amendment 78

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14d. Recalls that combatting malnutrition requires a close linking of agriculture, food and public health sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 79

Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Recalls the need to make all efforts to achieve improved nutrition, food security and to combat hunger as embedded in the SDG 2; insists on better support for empowering farmers' cooperatives which are key for agriculture development and food security;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15b. Supports the development of policies conducive to sustainable family farming and to encourage governments to establish enabling environment (conducive policies, adequate legislation, participatory planning for a policy dialogue, investments) for the development of family farming;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Urges African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies and guarantee local people's rights of access to and control over resources;

16. Urges African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies and guarantee local people's rights of access to and control over resources ***including farmers' seeds; to put in place the necessary infrastructure and support measures to build and protect local, national and regional markets that benefit family farmers and provide quality food for consumers at accessible price; to ensure the effective engagement of small-scale producers in policy processes and implementation;***

Or. en

Amendment 82
Enrique Guerrero Salom, Pedro Silva Pereira

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Urges African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies *and* guarantee local people's rights of access to and control over resources;

Amendment

16. Urges African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies, *ensure decent jobs, equitable social safety nets and labour rights, as well as* guarantee local people's rights of access to and control over resources;

Or. en

Amendment 83
Maurice Ponga

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. *Urges* African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies and *guarantee local people's rights* of access to *and control over* resources;

Amendment

16. *Calls on* African governments to invest in local food systems in order to boost rural economies and *to improve arrangements for democratic scrutiny* of access to resources;

Or. fr

Amendment 84
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls on African governments to foster inter-generational solidarity and to recognise the key role it plays in combating poverty;

Amendment 85

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Stresses the importance to promote programmes of nutrition education in the schools and in the local communities;

Or. en

Amendment 86

Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16b. Stresses that the right to water goes hand-in-hand with the right to food and that the UN resolution of 2010 has not yet resulted in decisive action to establish the right to water as a human right; calls on the EU to consider the proposal of the Italian Committee for a World Water Contract (CICMA) for an optional protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

Or. it

Amendment 87

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Recalls that farmers' rights to produce, exchange and sell seeds freely underpins 90 % of agricultural livelihoods in Africa, and that seed diversity is vital in building resilience of farming to climate change; **deplores the** corporate requests to strengthen plant breeders' rights in line with the 1991 Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) Convention, **which prohibits the majority of** such informal arrangements;

Amendment

17. Recalls that farmers' rights to produce, exchange and sell seeds freely underpins 90 % of agricultural livelihoods in Africa, and that seed diversity is vital in building resilience of farming to climate change; **stresses that** corporate requests to strengthen plant breeders' rights in line with the 1991 Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) Convention **must not result in** such informal arrangements **being prohibited**;

Or. fr

Amendment 88

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. In particular, notes with concern that UPOV favours genetic uniformity in crop varieties, which narrows down the genetic diversity, contribute to the loss of biodiversity, lead to growing concentration in seed supply and ultimately endanger livelihoods and food security; on this ground, urges the EU to refrain from influencing African seed law reform through the adoption of 1991 UPOV provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 89

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17b. Recalls that TRIPS provisions which request some form of protection for plant varieties do not force developing countries to adopt UPOV regime; it does enable countries to develop sui generis systems which are better adapted to the characteristics of each country's agricultural production and to traditional farmer-based seed systems, while LDCs that are parties to the WTO are exempted to comply with such provisions of TRIPS agreement; highlights that sui generis systems shall be supportive of and do not counter the objectives and the obligations under the CBD, the Nagoya Protocol and the ITPGRFA;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17c. Deplores the corporate's request to harmonise Seed Laws which will be based on the principles of distinctness, uniformity and stability (DUS) in the African context via regional institutions and which will hamper the development and growth of farmer-based seed systems on the national and regional level since farmer-based seed systems usually do not breed and save seeds that fulfil the DUS criteria;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17d. Urges the G7 Member States to support farmer managed seed systems via community seed banks;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17e. Recalls that while commercial seed varieties may improve yields in the short term, traditional farmers' varieties, landraces and associated knowledge are best suited to adapt to specific agro-ecological environments and climate change; in addition, their higher performance depend on the use of inputs (fertilisers, pesticides, hybrid seeds), which risk trapping farmers in a vicious circle of debt;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes with concern that **patenting** of certified seeds in Africa increases smallholder dependence, makes indebtedness more probable and erodes seed diversity;

Amendment

18. Notes with concern that **the introduction and spread** of certified seeds in Africa increases smallholder dependence, makes indebtedness more probable and erodes seed diversity;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. In addition, notes with concern that the risks of dependency of developing countries are significantly increased by the strengthening of the role of intellectual property rights in the food system through 'TRIPS-plus' provisions in trade agreements, which protect such rights beyond the minimum requirements of the WTO TRIPS agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Demands the need to support local policies aimed to grant a consistent and sustainable access to a diverse and

nutritious diet, following the principle of ownership and subsidiarity;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Urges the G8 member states not to support GMO crops in Africa;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 97
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Urges the G8 member states not to support GMO crops in Africa;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 98
Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Urges the G8 member states not to support GMO crops in *Africa*;

20. Urges the G8 member states not to support GMO crops *that have not been endorsed by an international organisation or by the health authorities* in every

African state;

Or. es

Amendment 99
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Urges African countries not to implement national or regional biosafety regimes with lower standards of biosafety than those set out in the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;

Or. en

Amendment 100
Maria Heubuch
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Stresses the risk of increased marginalisation of women in decision making, resulting from the development of certain commercial crops; notes that agricultural training often targets men and tend to side-line women, who therefore find themselves excluded from the management of land and crops that they looked after traditionally;

Or. en

Amendment 101
Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Regrets that the CCFs largely fail to define precise commitments on gender budgeting or monitor progress through disaggregated data;

Amendment

22. Regrets that the CCFs largely fail to define precise commitments on gender budgeting or monitor progress through disaggregated data; ***stresses the need to move from abstract and general commitments to concrete and precise ones in the remit of national action plan to empower women as rights-holders;***

Or. en

Amendment 102
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Stresses the need to ensure the transparency of all funding granted to private sector companies and that such funding must be made public;

Amendment

24. Stresses the need to ensure the transparency of all funding granted to private sector companies and that such funding must be made public ***in accordance with the applicable law;***

Or. fr

Amendment 103
Patrizia Toia

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Recalls the need to promote alternatives for the provision of public services and infrastructure to support

rural communities and local markets;

Or. en

Amendment 104

Paavo Väyrynen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls on donors to direct their support for developing agriculture primarily through national development funds which grant subsidies and loans to smallholders and family farming;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Paavo Väyrynen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25b. Urges donors to support education, training and technical counselling of farmers;

Or. en

Amendment 106

Paavo Väyrynen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25c. Calls on donors to promote the

forming of professional and economic organizations of farmers and to support the establishment of farmers' co-operatives, which enable the delivery of affordable means of production and help the farmers to process and market their products in a way which safeguards the profitability of their production;

Or. en

Amendment 107

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Believes that the funding provided by G8 member states to NAFSN contravenes the objective of supporting domestic local companies which cannot compete with multinationals that already benefit from a dominant market position and are often granted business, tariff and tax privileges;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 108

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Believes that the funding provided by G8 member states to NAFSN **contravenes** the objective of supporting domestic local companies **which cannot compete with multinationals that already benefit from a dominant market position and are often granted business, tariff and tax privileges;**

Amendment

26. Believes that the funding provided by G8 member states to NAFSN **must not contravene** the objective of supporting domestic local companies;

Amendment 109

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Recalls that *development aid should serve the goal of poverty reduction, not the interests of EU trade policy*; believes that ODA should focus on direct support to small-scale farming, *rather than on co-investments with large companies based in donor countries*;

Amendment

27. Recalls that the *purpose of development aid is to reduce, and ultimately to eradicate, poverty*; believes that ODA should focus on direct support to small-scale farming;

Amendment 110

Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Stresses the need to revitalise public investment in African agriculture and to prioritise investment in agro-ecology, so as to sustainably increase food security *and food sovereignty* and reduce poverty and hunger while conserving biodiversity and respecting indigenous knowledge and innovation;

Amendment

28. Stresses the need to revitalise public investment in African agriculture, *while providing support for private investment*, and to prioritise investment in agro-ecology, so as to sustainably increase food security and reduce poverty and hunger while conserving biodiversity and respecting indigenous knowledge and innovation;

Amendment 111

Stelios Kouloglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Stresses the need to revitalise public investment in African agriculture and to prioritise investment in agro-ecology, so as to sustainably increase food security and food sovereignty and reduce poverty and hunger while conserving biodiversity and respecting indigenous knowledge and innovation;

Amendment

28. Stresses the need to revitalise public investment in African agriculture and to prioritise investment in agro-ecology, **and humane and extensive animal farming**, so as to sustainably increase food security and food sovereignty and reduce poverty and hunger while conserving biodiversity and respecting indigenous knowledge and innovation;

Or. en

Amendment 112

Maria Heubuch

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28a. Stresses that G7 Member States should guarantee African countries the right to protect their agricultural sector through tariff and tax regimes that favour family and smallholder farming;

Or. en

Amendment 113

Nirj Deva

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the EU to **withdraw its support to NAFSN as long as** the deficiencies outlined above **are not duly addressed**;

Amendment

29. Calls on the EU to **continue to** support NAFSN **and address** the deficiencies outlined above;

Amendment 114
Enrique Guerrero Salom

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the EU to ***withdraw its support to NAFSN as long as the deficiencies outlined above are not*** duly addressed;

Amendment

29. Calls on the EU to ***seek and ensure that all NAFSN*** deficiencies outlined above are duly addressed;

Amendment 115
Maurice Ponga, Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Calls on the EU to ***withdraw its support to NAFSN as long as the deficiencies outlined above are not duly*** addressed;

Amendment

29. Calls on the EU to ***enhance the transparency and improve the governance of NAFSN and to seek to ensure that action taken under the Alliance is consistent with development policy goals;***