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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Jude Kirton-Darling
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The situation of fundamental rights in the European Union in 2015

Proposal for a decision
(2016/2009(INI))

Amendment 1
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital -A (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-A. whereas the inclusion of the Charter of Fundamental Rights as a binding core element within the scope of the Lisbon Treaty generated high expectations among EU citizens of a high level of civic and social protection;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

A. whereas petitions to Parliament serve as an important instrument for citizens to report breaches of fundamental rights;

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Or. en

Amendment 3
Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

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citizens to report breaches of fundamental rights;

citizens to report *alleged* breaches of fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas petitions to Parliament serve as an important instrument for citizens to report breaches of fundamental rights;

Amendment

A. whereas petitions to Parliament serve as an important instrument *provided to/intended* for citizens to report breaches of fundamental rights;

Or. el

Amendment 5
Josep-Maria Terricabras, Roberta Metsola

Draft opinion
Recital B

Draft opinion

B. whereas almost a hundred petitions received by Parliament in 2015 concerned alleged breaches of fundamental rights referred to in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;

Amendment

B. whereas almost a hundred petitions received by Parliament in 2015 *directly* concerned alleged breaches of fundamental rights referred to in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union; *whereas during the treatment of petitions further problems of effective protection by the Charter may also emerge;*

Or. en

Amendment 6

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov

**Draft opinion
Recital B**

Draft opinion

B. whereas ***almost a hundred*** petitions received by Parliament in 2015 concerned alleged breaches of fundamental rights referred to in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;

Amendment

B. whereas ***over eighty*** petitions received by Parliament in 2015 concerned alleged breaches of fundamental rights referred to in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;

Or. en

**Amendment 7
Josep-Maria Terricabras**

**Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas some breaches of fundamental rights do not take place only directly, but are also contextually created by environmental degradation; whereas Article 37 of the Charter provides for the right to environmental protection; whereas a relevant proportion of petitions received deal with undergone or potential environmental aggressions;

Or. en

**Amendment 8
Sylvie Goddyn**

**Draft opinion
Recital C**

Draft opinion

Amendment

C. *whereas the right to vote and stand as a candidate in municipal and European Parliament elections in the state of residence is recognised in Articles 39 and 40 of the Charter;*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 9
Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion
Recital I

Draft opinion

C. *whereas the right to vote and stand as a candidate in municipal and European Parliament elections in the state of residence is recognised in Articles 39 and 40 of the Charter; whereas exercising the right of free movement should not hamper this right;*

Amendment

C. *whereas the right to vote and stand as a candidate in municipal, **regional** and European Parliament elections in the state of residence is recognised in Articles 39 and 40 of the Charter; whereas exercising the right of free movement should not hamper this right;*

Or. el

Amendment 10
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Ca. *whereas Article 34 of the Charter establishes the fundamental right to social security and assistance; whereas universal public health coverage of quality is an essential pillar of social security; whereas social housing for a decent existence falls within the scope of this article; whereas access to affordable energy supply is an essential part of life dignity;*

Amendment 11
Notis Marias

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. having regard to the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (ECHR),

Or. el

Amendment 12
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital C b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Cb. whereas there is still a gap in the extent to which women fully enjoy their fundamental rights in comparison to men, particularly when it comes to the effective implementation of the provisions within the Equality and Solidarity titles of the Charter in their daily lives;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Josep-Maria Terricabras, Tatjana Ždanoka, Roberta Metsola

Draft opinion
Recital C c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Cc. whereas Article 24 of the Charter sets up the fundamental right of children; whereas hundreds of petitions were received in 2015 concerning children custody matters, in most of the cases with cross-border implications; whereas a specific working group was created to more effectively deal with the core of these matters;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Recital D

Draft opinion

D. whereas the report of the Committee on Petitions on the European Ombudsman's own-initiative inquiry concerning Frontex established that Frontex has a duty to uphold the EU's standards on the fundamental rights of asylum seekers in its day-to-day operations;

Amendment

D. whereas the report of the Committee on Petitions on the European Ombudsman's own-initiative inquiry concerning Frontex established that Frontex has a duty to uphold the EU's standards on the fundamental rights of asylum seekers in its day-to-day operations; ***whereas the European Ombudsman might more usefully have instituted inquiries into the numerous violations of fundamental rights committed by migrants against citizens of the European Union; whereas furthermore the main remit of Frontex should be to combat clandestine immigration and not to facilitate the entrance of clandestine immigrants into the territory of Member States;***

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital D

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Amendment

D. whereas the **joint-report** of the Committee on Petitions **and the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs on the Special Report of** the European **Ombudsman in** own-initiative inquiry **OI/5/2012/BEH-MHZ** concerning Frontex **reminded that according to its Regulation (EU) No 1168/2011 the Agency is required to ensure full respect for fundamental rights and for the** rights of **migrants, refugees and** asylum seekers in its **operations; whereas this obligation includes, but it is not limited to, the setting-up of an incident reporting system as well as devising codes of conduct**;

Or. en

Amendment 16

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

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institutions, agencies and bodies;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Notis Marias

Draft opinion
Recital D

Draft opinion

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Or. el

Amendment 18
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Da. whereas the current narrow interpretation of Article 51 of the Charter on its scope of application represent a real obstacle for the effectiveness of its previous provisions, which can fall short of the expectations and eventually lead to an increasing disaffection in citizens; whereas the Petitions committee recently organised a specific hearing to debate about the need of broadening the scope of the Charter;

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Or. en

Amendment 19

Josep-Maria Terricabras, Roberta Metsola

Draft opinion

Recital D b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Db. whereas the Union cannot afford cases of suppression or undermining of fundamental civil rights such as freedom of information, nor tolerate abuse of power and institutional racism and xenophobia within its borders, as depicted by some petitions;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

Amendment

1. Considers that citizens' expectations regarding the protection of their fundamental rights under the Charter are often disappointed, which may aggravate their disenchantment with the European project; notes that the general public has a limited grasp of the field of application of the Charter; believes that the European Commission and the Member States could do more to promote knowledge of the Charter, in particular the effect of its Article 51;

1. Considers that citizens' expectations regarding the protection of their fundamental rights under the Charter are often disappointed, which may aggravate their disenchantment with the European project; notes that the general public has a limited grasp of the field of application of the Charter; believes that the European Commission and the Member States could do more to promote knowledge of the Charter, in particular the effect of its Article 51, ***and of the procedure for obtaining legal redress when citizens' fundamental rights are violated; calls on the European Commission to be vigilant regarding Member States' failure to transpose EU legislation or their poor transposition;***

Amendment 21

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. Considers that citizens ***expect the Charter to ensure*** the protection of their fundamental rights ***by institutions and bodies of the Union and Member States when implementing Union law; notes that a lack of such protection and awareness would lead citizens to be disenchanted*** with the European project; notes that the general public has a limited grasp of the field of application of the Charter; believes that the European Commission and the Member States could do more to promote knowledge of the Charter, in particular the effect of its Article 51 ***by means of targeted campaigns using both traditional and online media;***

Amendment 22

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion

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application of the Charter; believes that the European Commission and the Member States could do more to promote knowledge of the Charter, in particular *review the interpretation* of Article 51 *with the aim of extending its scope beyond the exclusive competence of the Union*;

Or. es

Amendment 23
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 24
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
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Or. fr

Amendment 25 **Eleftherios Synadinos**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 1**

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Amendment

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Or. el

Amendment 26 **Notis Marias**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 1**

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 27

Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. Considers that citizens' expectations regarding the protection of their fundamental rights under the Charter are often disappointed, which may aggravate their disenchantment with the European project; **believes** that the **European Commission and the Member States could do more to promote the Charter**; **considers** that the **interpretation of its Article 51 should be broadened, paving the way for its deletion in an upcoming treaty revision**;

Or. en

Amendment 28

László Tóké

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Considers that a genuine reform of the European Citizens' Initiative and effective operation of the institution could do much to improve the Union's image;

Or. hu

Amendment 29

Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ia. Is deeply convinced that austerity measures led to the continuous deterioration of fundamental rights protection in the EU causing, amongst others, alarming youth unemployment rates, a huge increase of poor workers and higher levels of poverty and social marginalisation; calls for an immediate stop of all austerity measures and urges both the EU and the Member States to deliver targeted policies aimed at securing high quality and decent jobs and social protection measures, primarily focusing on citizens that are facing poverty and social exclusion;

Or. en

Amendment 30

Notis Marias

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Notes the increase in the number of petitions owing to the economic and social crisis in Europe, which has resulted many infringements of fundamental rights;

Or. el

Amendment 31
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Stresses that all Union institutions, including each one of its agencies and bodies; agencies and Member States are bound by the provisions of the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

Amendment

2. Recalls that the portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents is a guaranteed fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market; notes that many citizens still encounter problems in asserting these rights;

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Amendment 33

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Recalls that the *portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents is a guaranteed* fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market; notes that many citizens still encounter problems in asserting *these rights*;

Amendment

2. Recalls that the *freedom of movement and of residence is a* fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market *and by the Charter*; notes that many citizens still encounter problems in asserting *this right, including the portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents*;

Amendment 34

Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment 35
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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2. Recalls that the portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents is a guaranteed fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market; notes that many citizens still encounter problems in asserting these rights ***due to the negligence of some Member States***;

Or. hr

Amendment 36
Notis Marias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. ***Recalls*** that the portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents is a guaranteed fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market; ***notes that*** many citizens still encounter problems in asserting these rights;

Amendment

2. ***Points out*** that, ***although*** the portability of social security benefits, pensions, health care and recognition of professional qualifications and civil status documents is a guaranteed fundamental right conferred on citizens in the Internal Market, many citizens still encounter problems in asserting these rights;

Or. el

Amendment 37
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Stresses the need to guarantee the fundamental rights of women in all areas of public life, particularly with regard to social and political participation; calls on the Commission and the Member States to implement policies to actively uphold these rights, in line with the UN Resolution 66/130 of 19 December 2011 on women and political participation;

Or. es

Amendment 38

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, ***who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible***; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities ***to benefit from measures designed to ensure their independence, social and occupational integration and participation in the life of the community***; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; ***is of the opinion that EU funds should not go towards projects that are in breach of this fundamental right, such as projects that aim to segregate people with disabilities from the community***;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; ***calls on the European Commission and the Member States to enhance transparency of the monitoring mechanisms of measures aimed at social inclusion of people with disabilities, as set out in Article 26 of the Charter;***

Or. en

Amendment 40
Notis Marias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Or. el

Amendment 41
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ***including implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty***;

Or. es

Amendment 42
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission ***and*** the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission, the Member States ***and the local and regional authorities*** to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Or. hr

Amendment 43
Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities **and people with special needs** who strive to live a life as close to normal as possible; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Or. el

Amendment 44
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Highlights the rights of people with disabilities, who strive to live a life **on equal terms**; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that these rights are properly respected and applied, notably the rights resulting from the ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

Or. es

Amendment 45
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls on the EU to ratify the Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and to conduct, as soon as possible, an effective cross-cutting and comprehensive review of the EU legislation in order to ensure its full harmonisation with the provisions enshrined in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, triggering a truly democratic and participatory process aimed at guaranteeing a direct and full involvement of representative organisations of persons with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Highlights that the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, in its Concluding Observations on the initial report of the European Union, has critically observed that austerity measures adopted by the EU and its Member States have worsened the standard of living of persons with disabilities, deteriorating the enjoyment of fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism; ***welcomes the inclusion of an independent complaints mechanism within the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Border and Coast Guard, as one mechanism to monitor and ensure the respect for fundamental rights in all the activities of the Agency;***

Or. en

Amendment 48
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; ***underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an***

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 49

Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

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4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social *services* and education; *underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;*

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to *all* quality *public* healthcare, justice, social and education *services*;

Or. es

Amendment 50

Pál Csáky

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

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Amendment 51

Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. ***Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education;*** underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;

Amendment

4. Underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;

Amendment 52

Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare ***-including medicines and treatments for their diseases, such as hepatitis C-***, justice, social services and education, ***as well as decent housing conditions***; underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;

Amendment 53

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

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

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; ***underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;***

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; ***commends the inclusion of an independent complaints mechanism as per the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Border and Coast Guard to monitor and ensure the respect for fundamental rights in all the activities of the Agency;***

Amendment 54

Ivan Jakovčić

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

4. Calls on the Member States to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; ***underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse to uphold those rights via an established complaints mechanism;***

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States ***and the local and regional authorities*** to act, in accordance with the Charter, to ensure that citizens receive universal access to quality healthcare, justice, social services and education; ***underlines that asylum seekers who come into contact with Frontex should have their fundamental rights respected and should be offered full recourse, legal and otherwise,*** to uphold those rights via an

established complaints mechanism;

Or. hr

Amendment 55
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses that the existence of Frontex and a militarised border policy is placing at risk the fundamental rights of migrants;

Or. es

Amendment 56
Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the European Ombudsman's investigation which led to establishing this mechanism and her ongoing work of ensuring that EU institutions respect fundamental rights. Welcomes her inquiry into whether the Charter of Fundamental Rights is being respected when Member States spend money using the EU Cohesion Fund on projects that institutionalise people with disabilities rather than integrating them into society;

Or. en

Amendment 57
László Tóké

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses the importance of protection by the European Union and the Member States of indigenous ethnic, national, linguistic and religious communities and endangered languages;

Or. hu

Amendment 58
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, **as well as restrictions on** the freedom of the media regularly **reflected in petitions**; calls on the Member States to **pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking** of the **anti-discrimination directive in** the European **Council**;

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers **regularly reflected in petitions and calls on the EU and the Member States to effectively address these issues; calls for the adoption, without further delay, of the Directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation to ensure a higher level of protection against discrimination across areas of life; regrets about the major problems related to the freedom and independence of the media in certain EU Member States, as regularly denounced by petitioners and international organisations such as Reporters Without Borders**; calls on the **EU and the Member States to take appropriate measures to improve the existing situation in the media sector with**

a view to fully ensure freedom and pluralism of the media as enshrined in both the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the constitutional traditions common to the Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Pál Csáky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores *instances* of discrimination *against* minorities, *immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as* restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores *all forms* of discrimination *including discrimination based on nationality; underlines that cultural and linguistic diversity shall prevail in the European Union; emphasises the importance of ensuring the rights of persons belonging to minorities, in particular the rights of autochthonous and linguistic minorities; furthermore draws attention to the situation of migrants whose fundamental rights shall be respected; reminds* restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on *the Commission and* the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; **welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive** in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; **calls for the Anti-Discrimination Directive, which seeks to implement the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, to be unblocked** in the European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores **instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as** restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; **welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;**

Amendment

5. Deplores restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues;

Or. fr

Amendment 62
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, *immigrants* and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the *anti-discrimination directive* in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, *migrants* and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the *Directive on implementation of the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation* in the European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 63

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, *immigrants and asylum seekers*, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; *calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive* in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores *all* instances of discrimination; *calls on Member States to pay particular attention to discrimination against minorities and migrants*, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; *welcomes the unblocking of the Directive on implementation of the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation* in the European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 64

Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council ***and calls for it to be adopted and implemented;***

Or. es

Amendment 65
László Tőkés

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against ***indigenous and other*** minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Or. hu

Amendment 66
Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores *individual* instances of discrimination against minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Or. el

Amendment 67

Notis Marias

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against *minorities, immigrants and asylum seekers*, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Amendment

5. Deplores instances of discrimination against *all citizens*, as well as restrictions on the freedom of the media regularly reflected in petitions; calls on the Member States to pay particular attention to these issues; welcomes the unblocking of the anti-discrimination directive in the European Council;

Or. el

Amendment 68

Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. *Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of*

Amendment

deleted

*citizens from non-EU countries,
particularly asylum seekers, living in an
EU country as laid down in the Charter of
Fundamental Rights;*

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights; ***expresses its concern at the constant infringement of fundamental rights in centres for the detention and internment of foreign nationals;***

Or. es

Amendment 70
László Tóké

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights, ***while stressing that such guarantees must not jeopardise the properly understood interests and security***

of citizens of the European Union ;

Or. hu

Amendment 71
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights, ***including labour market and social integration***;

Or. es

Amendment 72
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States ***and local and regional authorities*** to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. hr

Amendment 73
Eleftherios Synadinos

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living **legally** in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. el

Amendment 74 Notis Marias

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of **all** citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. el

Amendment 75 Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, **particularly asylum seekers**, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of

Amendment

6. Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Fundamental Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 76

Pál Csáky

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. *Calls on the Member States to guarantee the fundamental rights of citizens from non-EU countries, particularly asylum seekers, living in an EU country as laid down in the Charter of Fundamental Rights;*

Amendment

6. *Points out that the rights of nationals of third countries legally resident in the territory of the EU shall be guaranteed by the Member States as laid down in the Charter;*

Or. en

Amendment 77

Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. *Highlights that, in certain Member States, the current management and financing mechanisms used by reception centres for migrants could give rise to major legal infringements, corruption, abuses and fundamental rights violations; deplores that organised crime has infiltrated the bodies responsible for managing funds for the reception of migrants; calls on the EU and Member States to take coordination, control and enforcement measures with the view to effectively address these issues and to put in place the necessary actions aimed at improving the fight against trafficking in*

human beings, which is mostly conducted by criminal groups;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Asks the Commission to act without hesitation and making full use of its powers and prerogatives, sanctioning Member States failing to live up to the fundamental rights of freedom expression and information, of assembly and association, or which enact forms of power abuse or institutional racism and xenophobia, among others;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Believes that the EU and the Member States must consistently respect the principle of solidarity and make the necessary efforts to share responsibilities in order to ensure a full protection to the lives of migrants and refugees and to combat cross-border crime, in full compliance with the principle of non-refoulement and fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 80

Josep-Maria Terricabras, Tatjana Ždanoka

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes the frequent recurrence of petitions about problems encountered by legally resident third-country spouses of EU citizens in exercising their rights;

Amendment

7. Notes the frequent recurrence of petitions about problems encountered by legally resident third-country spouses of EU citizens ***and non-EU-national permanent residents, particularly stateless persons***, in exercising their rights;

Or. en

Amendment 81

Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Considers that the introduction of national legislation undermining the investment climate on renewables, does not only constitute in some cases an attack to legal security as presented by some petitions received, but they can be considered also a breach of the Charter if they fail to transpose or implement legislation related to the Union's energy and climate strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 82

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. *Highlights the problems arising from non-recognition of official documents in different Member States, especially marriage and adoption certificates, making it impossible to guarantee the ‘best interests of the child’;*

Or. es

Amendment 83

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights; ***considers that existing disparities within the Union regarding custody and parental responsibility make it impossible to guarantee ‘the best interests of the child’ and their right to contact with both parents;*** calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

Or. es

Amendment 84

Notis Marias

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights, *as outlined also in the opinion of the Committee on Petitions concerning the cross-border aspects of adoptions*; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

Or. el

Amendment 85

Josep-Maria Terricabras, Tatjana Ždanoka, Roberta Metsola

Draft opinion Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes *and* parental visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

Amendment

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the context of cross-border custody disputes, *adoptions without parental consent and* visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the revision of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 86

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

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Draft opinion

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the

Amendment

8. Calls for special attention to the rights of children, in particular in the

context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the *revision* of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

context of cross-border custody disputes and parental visitation rights; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance on the concept of ‘best interests of the child’ in the context of the *review* of the Brussels IIA Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Urges the adoption of new legislation aimed at combating energy poverty and welcomes previous initiatives at any administrative level in the direction of guaranteeing universal access to energy; considers that taking specific measures to ensure affordable energy for every household falls within the scope of social security and social assistance provided for in Article 34 of the Charter; criticises decisions made that might prevent the safeguard of this right based on mere competence disputes between authorities;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Regrets that child poverty remains at a very high level and children continue

*to be at higher risk of poverty than adults;
calls on the EU and the Member States to
strengthen their actions adopting a
holistic strategy aimed at successfully
address all root causes of child poverty;*

Or. en

Amendment 89

Notis Marias

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*8a. Stresses the need to strengthen the
role of the Committee on Petitions in
upholding fundamental rights protected
by the Charter;*

Or. el

Amendment 90

Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

Amendment

*9. Welcomes the advances made in
LGTB rights in 2015; remains concerned
about ongoing discrimination on the
grounds of sexual orientation and limits
to the freedom of speech of LGTB people;*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 91

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Welcomes the advances made in LGTB rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of LGTB people;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the advances made in LGTB rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of LGTB people; ***notes that the problem of discrimination against LGTBI families must be addressed immediately and urges Member States to recognize their legal status, thereby ensuring their freedom of movement throughout the EU;***

Or. es

Amendment 92
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Welcomes the advances made in LGTB rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of LGTB people;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the advances made in LGTB rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation, ***gender identity*** and limits to the freedom of speech, ***assembly and association*** of LGTB people;

Or. es

Amendment 93
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Welcomes the advances made in ***LGTB*** rights in 2015; remains concerned

Amendment

9. Welcomes the advances made in ***LGTBI*** rights in 2015; remains concerned

about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGTB** people;

about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGTBI** people;

Or. hr

Amendment 94

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Welcomes the advances made in **LGTB** rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGTB** people;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the advances made in **LGBTI** rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGBTI** people;

Or. en

Amendment 95

Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Welcomes the advances made in **LGTB** rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGTB** people;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the advances made in **LGBTI** rights in 2015; remains concerned about ongoing discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and limits to the freedom of speech of **LGBTI** people;

Or. en

Amendment 96

Yana Toom, Javier Nart, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Andrejs Mamikins

Draft opinion Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. *Stresses that a large number of stateless persons is disenfranchised from European Parliament elections while seats are allocated at their expense; calls on the Commission to investigate the issue;*

Or. en

Amendment 97
Marina Albiol Guzmán

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. *Notes the infringement of the fundamental rights of intersex people in the European Union, who enjoy only limited entitlement to even their own identity;*

Or. es

Amendment 98
Sylvie Goddyn

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

Amendment

10. *Encourages the Commission to take up strongly the issue of national voting rights, particularly in cases where citizens are disenfranchised in national elections when they exercise their right to free movement.*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 99

Yana Toom, Javier Nart, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Andrejs Mamikins

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Encourages the Commission to take up strongly the issue of national voting rights, particularly in cases where citizens are disenfranchised in national elections when they exercise their right to free movement.

Amendment

10. Encourages the Commission to take up strongly the issue of national voting rights, particularly in cases where citizens are disenfranchised in national elections when they exercise their right to free movement *as well as in cases where non-citizens are disenfranchised from local elections or are banned from political party membership.*

Or. en

Amendment 100

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Encourages the Commission to take up *strongly* the issue of national voting rights, particularly in cases where citizens are disenfranchised in national elections when they exercise their right to free movement.

Amendment

10. Encourages the Commission to *effectively* take up the issue of national voting rights, particularly in cases where citizens are disenfranchised in national elections when they exercise their *fundamental* right to free movement *and residence.*

Or. en

Amendment 101

Rolandas Paksas

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10a. *Recalls that under Article 46 (1) of the European Convention on Human Rights, high contracting parties have without qualification undertaken a solemn and binding obligation under the Rule of Law to ‘abide by the final judgement of the court in any case’ to which they are a party; deplores the delays in implementation and the lack of political will in certain circumstances to implement certain judgments of the Court; encourages to take stronger measures in case of dilatory or continuous non-execution of judgments;*

Or. en

Amendment 102

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Heinz K. Becker, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10a. *Calls on the institutions and bodies of the Union and Member States when they are implementing Union law to ensure a high-level of environmental protection and to adhere to the principle of sustainable development; regrets the over-development that is taking place in parts of the EU, which is having negative effects on the environment and the lives of European citizens and residents living in the areas affected.*

Or. en

Amendment 103

Eleonora Evi

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10a. *Believes that individuals should have a direct and easily accessible way of challenging violations of the EU law and of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU provisions by Member States before EU courts, without leaving any margin of discretion to national courts or European institutions;*

Or. en

Amendment 104

Roberta Metsola, Jarosław Wałęsa, Peter Jahr, Svetoslav Hristov Malinov, Pál Csáky, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Josep-Maria Terricabras

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10b. *Highlights the fundamental right to good administration; calls on Member States to lead by example by ensuring, amongst others, that their administrative processes are open, accountable, fair, transparent and proportionate.*

Or. en