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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Draft opinion**

**Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski**

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Implementation report on Europe for Citizens

(2015/2329(INI))



## Amendment 1

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Charles Goerens

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 1

##### *Draft opinion*

1. Welcomes warmly the 2 791 applications submitted under the Europe for Citizens programme in 2015, **and** suggests increasing participation in the coming years by making promotional campaigns **for domestic** media setting out clear information on the priorities and accessibility of the programme; proposes allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;

##### *Amendment*

1. Welcomes warmly the 2 791 applications submitted under the Europe for Citizens programme in 2015 **and the quality of the projects; however, notes that only around 6% of the European Remembrance and the Civil Society projects could be financed in 2015, which indicates that the funding for these two strands should be substantially increased;** suggests increasing participation in the coming years by making promotional campaigns **and adopting a consistent user-friendly communication portal both for European and domestic** media setting out clear information on the priorities and accessibility of the programme; proposes allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;

Or. en

## Amendment 2

Jérôme Lavrilleux

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 1

##### *Draft opinion*

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##### *Amendment*

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allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;

*informing European citizens of the existence of the ‘Europe for Citizens’ programme, encouraging them to consider the benefits thereof and to feel more involved*; proposes allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;

Or. fr

**Amendment 3**  
**Kostas Chrysogonos**

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

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

1. Welcomes warmly the **2 791** applications submitted under the Europe for Citizens programme in 2015, and suggests ***in accordance with article 11 of the Treaty on European Union, which introduces an important dimension of participatory democracy***, increasing participation in the coming years by making promotional campaigns for domestic media setting out clear information on the priorities and accessibility of the programme; proposes allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Josep-Maria Terricabras**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

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for Citizens programme in 2015, *and suggests increasing participation in the coming years by making promotional campaigns for domestic media setting out clear information on the priorities and accessibility of the programme; proposes allowing applicants to use e-participation tools;*

for Citizens programme in 2015; *regrets, however, the insufficient budgetary resources dedicated to this programme and the resulting frustration of applicants who cannot be part of the programme despite their proposal fully complies with its aim and requirements;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 5**

**Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, María Teresa Giménez Barbat**

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 2**

##### *Draft opinion*

2. Repeats its call for a stronger role in setting the priorities and objectives of the programme, and recommends further simplifying its language to make it widely accessible;

##### *Amendment*

2. Repeats its call for a stronger role in setting the priorities and objectives of the programme; *recommends that the next generation of Europe for Citizens Programme should have a legal base which enables the European Parliament to take fully part in the legislative process under the ordinary legislative procedure and to be involved in the definition of the priorities of the programme as a co-legislator under the ordinary legislative procedure, on equal footing with the Council;* and recommends further simplifying its language to make it widely accessible;

Or. en

## **Amendment 6**

**Josep-Maria Terricabras**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Repeats its call for a stronger role in *setting the priorities and objectives of the programme, and recommends further simplifying its language to make it widely accessible*;

*Amendment*

2. Repeats its call for a stronger role in *designing the programme by using Article 167 TFEU as legal basis and, thus, allowing the EP to be involved through the ordinary legislative procedure*;

Or. en

**Amendment 7**

**Notis Marias**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Repeats its call for a stronger role in setting the priorities and objectives of the programme, and recommends further simplifying its language to make it widely accessible;

*Amendment*

2. Repeats its call for *an independent and* stronger role in setting the priorities and objectives of the programme, and recommends further simplifying its language to make it widely accessible;

Or. el

**Amendment 8**

**Kostas Chrysogonos**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*2a. Stresses that this programme should contribute to citizens' understanding of the Union, its history and diversity as well as to foster European citizenship and to improve conditions for civic and democratic participation at Union level; moreover it should raise awareness of remembrance, common history and values and of the Union's aim to promote peace, ensuring in general a*

*broader understanding of the history of the European Union and its origins also in the aftermath of two world wars; it should also encourage democratic and civic participation of citizens at Union level, by developing citizens' understanding of the Union policy making-process and promoting opportunities for societal and intercultural engagement and volunteering at Union level; this could be achieved for example by organising promotional awareness campaigns, stimulating debate, reflection and development of networks;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 9**

**Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo**

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 3**

##### *Draft opinion*

3. Emphasises the importance of the Member States in increasing the effectiveness and popularity of the programme, including by taking on a greater role in defining the priorities of the programme and maximising the potential of the national contact points (NCP) by making it possible for them to work and exchange experience with entities responsible for similar projects – Erasmus and Creative Europe, for example;

##### *Amendment*

3. Emphasises the importance of the Member States in increasing the effectiveness and popularity of the programme, including by taking on a greater role in defining the priorities of the programme and maximising the potential of the national contact points (NCP) by making it possible for them to work and exchange experience with entities responsible for similar projects – Erasmus and Creative Europe, for example; ***calls in addition for greater involvement of the European Parliament, for example in the form of an annual public assessment of programme monitoring within the Culture Committee;***

Or. es

**Amendment 10**  
**Josep-Maria Terricabras**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

3. Emphasises the importance of the Member States, ***regions and local governments*** in increasing the effectiveness and popularity of the programme, including by taking on a greater role in defining the priorities of the programme and maximising the potential of the national contact points (NCP) by making it possible for them to work and exchange experience with entities responsible for similar projects – Erasmus and Creative Europe, for example;

Or. en

**Amendment 11**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3a. Recognises the success of the twinning cities projects all over the EU, and calls on the Member States to promote it among municipalities and to facilitate cooperation.***

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Jérôme Lavrilleux**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

*Amendment*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience ***between those members of the public concerned who have already had recourse to such programmes, given that grassroots involvement in a programme has been shown to enhance the value thereof;***

Or. fr

**Amendment 13**

**Josep-Maria Terricabras**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in ***EU work***; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to ***link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;***

*Amendment*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in ***the EU as well as encouraging a sense of ownership***; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to ***have a common approach in designing EU policies aimed at fostering a European identity so citizens' participation and the exercise of citizens' rights can be their inspiring core principles;***

Or. en

## Amendment 14

Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, María Teresa Giménez Barbat, Charles Goerens

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 5

##### *Draft opinion*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

##### *Amendment*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience ***and by a consistent communication strategy aimed at including under one umbrella all Commission's programmes related to European Citizenship;***

Or. en

## Amendment 15

Kostas Chrysogonos

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 5

##### *Draft opinion*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up ***the two*** programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

##### *Amendment*

5. Points out that the objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up ***these or other related*** programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Notis Marias**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Points out that *the* objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

*Amendment*

5. Points out that *certain* objectives of the Europe for Citizens programme are similar and complementary to those of the European Citizens' Initiative, in particular the aspiration to get citizens involved in EU work; believes, for that reason, that efforts should be made to link up the two programmes, possibly by means of exchanges of experience;

Or. el

**Amendment 17**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Mercedes Bresso**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. *Underlines the need to create an open list of potential partners in each member state, in order to facilitate partnerships between those who would like to access the Programme Europe for Citizens.***

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Mercedes Bresso**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5b.** *Calls for the removal of language barriers when applying for the programme and underlines that in spite of the EU's efforts to provide information in all languages of the Union, most information is provided in English, French and German.*

Or. en

## **Amendment 19**

**Notis Marias**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6.** *Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership.*

*deleted*

Or. el

## **Amendment 20**

**Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6.** *Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation;*

*deleted*

*proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership.*

Or. en

## **Amendment 21**

**Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, María Teresa Giménez Barbat**

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 6**

##### *Draft opinion*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs *from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership.*

##### *Amendment*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; *recommends more internationalisation of the programme and* proposes, therefore, *to invite all EFTA/EEA countries, acceding countries and candidate countries to cooperate with EU Member States in applying for projects, in accordance with their association agreements and bilateral agreements with the EU; recognises, therefore,* that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs *also from neighbours* countries.

Or. en

## **Amendment 22**

**Josep-Maria Terricabras**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership *would lead* to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; *proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership.*

*Amendment*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership *leads* to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation;

Or. en

**Amendment 23**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; *proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership.*

*Amendment*

6. Points out that participation in the programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; *calls therefore for* cooperation between EU NGOs, NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other *candidate countries.*

Or. en

**Amendment 24**  
**Kostas Chrysogonos**

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

*Draft opinion*

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programme by countries seeking EU membership would lead to better mutual understanding and closer cooperation; proposes, therefore, that thought should be given to promoting projects involving cooperation between EU NGOs and NGOs from Eastern Partnership countries and other countries seeking EU membership *in order to bring EU closer to citizens.*

Or. en

**Amendment 25**  
**Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ramón Jáuregui Atondo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 6 – point 1 (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*(1) Takes the view that the programme should also serve to publicize those channels of direct participation that already exist in the European Union such as:  
the European Citizens' Initiative, citizens' forums, public consultations, etc. so as to raise public awareness of the possibilities of direct participation within the EU institutional framework.*

Or. es

**Amendment 26**  
**Sylvie Goulard, Charles Goerens**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Underlines that before accession of a country to the European Union takes place profound and holistic preparation is required concerning issues of*

*remembrance, coming to terms with the past and ensuring the active participation of citizens in civic life in the country concerned.*

Or. en

**Amendment 27**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Mercedes Bresso**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Given the actual context of rising Euroscepticism, calls for a simplified procedure for accessing the programme and for an increased funding in order to insure better results.*

Or. en

**Amendment 28**  
**Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Mercedes Bresso**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6b. Underlines the great potential of the social networks and social media and calls for their better use as instruments in promoting the values and history of the EU, within the programme Europe for Citizens.*

Or. en