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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 124**

**Draft opinion**

**Jana Žitňanská**

(PE602.832v01-00)

Control of spending and monitoring of EU Youth Guarantee schemes cost-effectiveness  
(2016/2242(INI))



**Amendment 1**  
**Csaba Sógor**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital -A (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**-A. *whereas a high youth unemployment rate is detrimental both for the individuals concerned - with lasting negative effects on employability, income stability and career development - as well as for economic development in member states;***

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Csaba Sógor**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital -A a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**-Aa. *whereas the recent economic crisis has had a disproportionate effect on young people, and its effects can still be strongly felt today in many Member States;***

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Javi López, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

A. *whereas from a quantitative perspective, the **take-up** of the Youth Guarantee (YG) **is encouraging in some***

A. *whereas from a quantitative perspective, the **results** of the Youth Guarantee (YG) **have been uneven across***

Member States *but implementation of* integration services *listed* under the YG *is often only partial and dependent* on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES);

*the* Member States, *with rates of coverage of the target population (NEETs) varying considerably from country to country, ranging from 80% in France and Austria to just over 10% in Italy and Spain and even less in Malta (6%) and Hungary (3%); whereas the effectiveness of the* integration services *implemented by the Member States* under the YG *depend* on the existing capacity and efficiency of *national* public employment services (PES), *as both the Commission's assessment (2016) and the Special Report of the European Court of Auditors (2017) make clear;*

Or. es

**Amendment 4**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A**

*Draft opinion*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the *take-up of the* Youth Guarantee (YG) *is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on* the existing capacity and *efficiency* of public employment services (PES);

*Amendment*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the Youth Guarantee (YG) *has not ensured an improvement in the identification and registration of unemployed young people or inactive young people who are neither in education, nor in training<sup>1a</sup> ; whereas the implementation of the YG requires the strengthening of* the existing capacity and *resources* of public employment services (PES) *and the active involvement of the social partners;*

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<sup>1a</sup> See Paragraph 161, ECA Report 05/2017.

Or. en

## Amendment 5

Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei

### Draft opinion

#### Recital A

##### *Draft opinion*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES);

##### *Amendment*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES); ***whereas Member States should continue their efforts to strengthen and reform their PES;***

Or. en

## Amendment 6

Ádám Kósa

### Draft opinion

#### Recital A

##### *Draft opinion*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES);

##### *Amendment*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES) ***and on the speed of European-level procedures;***

Or. hu

## Amendment 7

Sven Schulze

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A**

*Draft opinion*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES);

*Amendment*

A. whereas from a quantitative perspective, the take-up of the Youth Guarantee (YG) is encouraging in some Member States but implementation of integration services listed under the YG is often only partial – ***or the range of participants is too narrow*** – and dependent on the existing capacity and efficiency of public employment services (PES);

Or. de

**Amendment 8**  
**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***Aa. whereas in April 2013 EU Member States committed to ensure a successful transition of young people into the labour market through the establishment of Youth Guarantee schemes, and that the audit carried out by the European Court of Auditors (ECA) has been premature as the period subject to the investigation is too close to the launch of national guarantee schemes and limited only to certain Member States; whereas for this purpose it would have been more useful to perform an initial assessment of their implementation, and then carry on the audit;***

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. whereas the annual investment required for the implementation of a Youth Guarantee in Europe has been estimated at 50,4bn<sup>1c</sup>, which is significantly lower than the annual economic loss due to the disengagement of young people from the labour market in Europe, which could reach at least 153 billion<sup>1b</sup>; whereas Youth Employment Initiative funds amount to only 6.4bn in 2014-2018, and an additional 2bn (including ESF contributions) until 2020;*

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<sup>1c</sup> *Social inclusion of young people. (Eurofound 2015)*

<sup>1b</sup> *NEETs Young people not in employment, education or training: Characteristics, costs and policy responses in Europe. (Eurofound 2012)*

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. having regard to Special Report No 5/2017 of the European Court of Auditors entitled ‘Youth unemployment - have EU policies made a difference? An assessment of the Youth Guarantee and the Youth Employment Initiative’, and noting in particular that, three years on*

*from the adoption of the Council recommendation, the Youth Guarantee has yet to fulfil expectations;*

Or. it

**Amendment 11**  
**Marian Harkin**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. whereas, according to the European Court of Auditors Special report No 5/2017: 'Youth unemployment – have EU policies made a difference?'<sup>1a</sup>, while the seven Member States examined had made some progress in implementing the Youth Guarantee none had ensured that all NEETs had the opportunity to take up an offer within four months; notes the Court's comment that it is not possible to reach all NEETs with resources only from the EU budget;*

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*1a*

*[http://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR17\\_5/SR\\_YOUTH\\_GUARANTEE\\_EN.pdf](http://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR17_5/SR_YOUTH_GUARANTEE_EN.pdf)*

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Verónica Lope Fontagné**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. whereas the Youth Guarantee has led to the implementation of structural reforms in the Member States, with a view to, notably, aligning their models of education and training with the labour market so as to achieve its objectives; whereas the Youth Guarantee must be assessed with due regard for factors such as the improvement of employability;*

Or. es

**Amendment 13**  
**Sven Schulze**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. whereas, although setting an ambitious political target creates a certain political dynamic for more effective employment of adolescents and young people, the use of the term ‘Youth Guarantee’ is seen as an exaggeration and as giving rise to false expectations and hopes;*

Or. de

**Amendment 14**  
**Jana Žitňanská**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Aa. having regard to the European Court of Auditors’ special report on the impact on youth employment of the Youth Guarantee and the Youth Employment Initiative, which finds that the current*

*situation, more than three years after the adoption of the Council recommendation, falls short of the initial expectations* <sup>1a</sup>

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*<sup>1a</sup> Special Report No 5/2017: Youth unemployment – have EU policies made a difference? An assessment of the Youth Guarantee and the Youth Employment Initiative, p. 8*

Or. sk

**Amendment 15**  
**Marian Harkin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Ab. notes that there is no universally accepted definition of what constitutes a 'good quality offer' under the Youth Guarantee; believes that a good basis for such a definition is the Court's suggestion that Member States should ensure that offers are only considered to be of good quality if they match the participant's profile and labour market demand and lead to sustainable integration in the labour market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***Ab. whereas the ECA's report shows that progress have been made in the implementation of the Youth Guarantee and that some results have been achieved; whereas, however, the current situation does not reflect the expectations created by the introduction of the Youth Guarantee, i.e. to ensure that all NEETs receive, within four months, a quality offer of training or employment;***

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***Ab. whereas in 2016, youth unemployment rates (18.7% EU) remain above their pre-crisis levels, doubling on average unemployment rates for the whole population; whereas in several Member States (Greece, Spain, Italy, Croatia, Cyprus and Portugal) between one-quarter and one-half of young workers are unemployed;***

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Sven Schulze**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***Ab. whereas there must be an obligation for the aims of the Youth Guarantee to be made more quantifiable***

*for Europe's taxpayers and whereas reporting and the monitoring of measures taken must be improved; whereas this will enable a better data situation to be achieved;*

Or. de

**Amendment 19**  
**Verónica Lope Fontagné**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Ab. whereas external factors, such as the particular economic situation or the production model of each region, influence the achievement of the goals set in the Youth Guarantee;*

Or. es

**Amendment 20**  
**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Ab. whereas the implementation of the Youth Guarantee has not yielded uniform results, and in some circumstances it has been difficult to pinpoint and assess the contribution it has made;*

Or. it

**Amendment 21**  
**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**Ac.** *whereas there is a serious problem related with the so-called "skill mismatch", defined as a mismatch between candidates' skills and labour market requirements; whereas it would be useful to create a network in order to correct the dysfunctions of current national training systems;*

Or. en

**Amendment 22**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**Ac.** *whereas young people are disproportionately likely to suffer from low wages and/or precarious employment, including unpaid internships or undeclared work, and involuntary part-time or temporary employment;*

Or. en

**Amendment 23**  
**Sven Schulze**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital A c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**Ac.** *whereas the EU should improve its marketing and advertising of socio-political measures to the target group in*

*order to achieve better visibility for its actions among the people of the EU;*

Or. de

**Amendment 24**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Recital A d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*Ad. whereas the composition of the NEET population ( young people aged between 15 and 24 years old) is not uniform across the EU Member States, and that a more accurate definition of NEET would be fundamental;*

Or. en

**Amendment 25**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph -1 (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*-1. Whereas regions around Europe are substantially different; in some cases territories with high unemployment will not be part of the eligible regions when it comes to the allocation of EU funds at NUTS level;*

Or. en

**Amendment 26**

**Paloma López Bermejo**

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

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms ***to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing*** YG schemes are needed, ***together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;***

*Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms ***and structures to monitor and evaluate*** YG schemes are needed, ***both at regional, national and EU level; stresses that the successful implementation of YG schemes require: early intervention mechanisms, clear and simple eligibility criteria, proper staffing and funding of PES services, active involvement of all relevant stakeholders, including the social partners and youth organisations; notes with concern that many Member States have developed their YG schemes as a continuation (or in substitution) of pre-existing youth employment programmes which has deterred progress in the above-mentioned lines;***

Or. en

**Amendment 27**  
**Javi López, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto**

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

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses ***that*** effective mechanisms ***to discuss and*** resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, ***together with*** a strong commitment by the Member States ***to implement*** the scope of the YG in full, ***including partnership-building***, ensuring ***an*** effective outreach, ***enabling skills enhancement*** and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

*Amendment*

1. Stresses ***the need for*** effective ***and binding*** mechanisms ***between European authorities and all stakeholders (national, regional and local authorities, social partners, NGOs and civil society)*** so as to resolve ***flexibly and effectively*** difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes; ***underlines the pressing need for*** a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, ***by ensuring the quality of job offers, further education and training, as the***

*European Court of Auditors has requested, and ensuring an effective outreach to beneficiaries, helping them enhance their skills and join the labour market, facilitating the transition from education into the labour force and putting in place proper evaluation structures;*

Or. es

## **Amendment 28**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 1**

##### *Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, ***together with a strong commitment by*** the Member States to implement ***the scope of the YG in full***, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

##### *Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, ***and that*** the Member States ***are urged*** to implement ***such mechanisms***, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach ***to young Europeans***, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper ***targeted and transparent*** evaluation structures ***with a view to rationalising the YG and taking the requisite measures to address any imbalances in terms of cost effectiveness***;

Or. fr

## **Amendment 29**

**Terry Reintke**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

*Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with ***the political willingness and*** a strong ***financial*** commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building ***with social partners, youth organisations and other relevant stakeholders***, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures ***during and after the implementation of said measures***;

Or. en

**Amendment 30**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement ***and putting in place proper evaluation structures***;

*Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement;

Or. en

**Amendment 31**

**Ádám Kósa**

**Draft opinion**

## Paragraph 1

### *Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

### *Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, ***taking account of local conditions and*** enabling skills enhancement, and putting in place proper, ***flexible*** evaluation structures;

Or. hu

## Amendment 32 Robert Rochefort

### Draft opinion Paragraph 1

### *Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

### *Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States ***to setting realistic, achievable targets in order*** to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

Or. fr

## Amendment 33 Martina Dlabajová, Marian Harkin

### Draft opinion

## Paragraph 1

### *Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

### *Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures *as well as strengthening the administrative capacity*;

Or. en

## Amendment 34 Marian Harkin

### Draft opinion Paragraph 1

### *Draft opinion*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper evaluation structures;

### *Amendment*

1. Stresses that effective mechanisms to discuss and resolve difficulties experienced when implementing YG schemes are needed, together with a strong commitment by the Member States to implement the scope of the YG in full, including partnership-building, ensuring an effective outreach, enabling skills enhancement and putting in place proper *monitoring, reporting and* evaluation structures;

Or. en

## Amendment 35 Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin

### Draft opinion

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Recommends that the Commission identify and disseminate good monitoring and reporting practices, so that the results from the Member States can be communicated consistently and reliably, and assessed seamlessly, including as regards quality; in particular, regular quality statistics should be provided enabling Member States to frame more realistic and effective youth policies, including through the monitoring of participants leaving the Youth Guarantee system, so as to keep to a minimum the number of participants dropping-out of the programme and not gaining from it;***

Or. it

**Amendment 36**

**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Highlights the importance of the notion of a "good quality offer" in assessing the success of the YG and calls on the Commission, together with the Member States and relevant stakeholders, to elaborate an adequate definition; underlines that all such offers should match the participant's profile and labour market needs; stresses that both employment and training and educational offers should be consistent with the social rights recognised in the EU social acquis and the European Social Charter; underlines the role of the social partners in this context;***

**Amendment 37**  
**Evelyn Regner**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1a. Welcomes the planned increase in funding for the Youth Employment initiative; at the same time stresses that funding is currently not sufficient to guarantee that all NEETs will be given an apprenticeship, a traineeship and continued education; in this context, calls on the Member States to ensure that the ESF funds available do not replace public spending;*

Or. de

**Amendment 38**  
**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1a. Is concerned however that YG schemes have not yet reached all young people, who left schools or became unemployed; underlines that all young people not in employment, education or training should be able to profit from the Youth Guarantee schemes, encourages therefore the regions which do not qualify for an EU co-financing to participate in Youth Guarantee;*

Or. en

**Amendment 39**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Underlines that the implementation of the YG should be geared according to national, regional and local circumstances, while stressing the need to maintain flexibility in designing and managing the national youth employment policies on the basis of needs and priorities of Member States;***

Or. en

**Amendment 40**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Stresses the importance of setting realistic targets in promoting policies and frameworks such as the Youth Guarantee; stresses in this connection the recommendation by the European Court of Auditors that the Member States prioritise the measures to be implemented according to available financing;***

Or. sk

**Amendment 41**

**Verónica Lope Fontagné**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Stresses that there is not, and nor can there ever be, a direct correlation between funding allocated for implementing the Youth Guarantee and the achievement of its specific objectives; adds, therefore, that its effectiveness cannot be assessed in terms of cost versus results;***

Or. es

**Amendment 42**

**Terry Reintke**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Recalls that the involvement of youth organisations in the communication, implementation and evaluation of the YG is crucial for its success;***

Or. en

**Amendment 43**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1b. Underlines that in order for the EU Youth Guarantee measures to be successfully implemented, the necessary funds need to be allocated and the overall funding needs to be assessed, taking into***

*account that the assessment of funding may be affected by the difficulty to distinguish between the types of measures addressed to young people by Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 44**  
**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1b. Recalls that Youth Guarantee benefits from the EU financial support from the ESF and the YEI which are added to national contribution. Furthermore, supports programming work under the Union's Common Strategic Framework through peer learning, networking activities and technical assistance;***

Or. en

**Amendment 45**  
**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1c. Underlines that allocating the necessary resources and assessing the overall funding is important to successfully implement youth guarantees schemes, taking into account that the evaluation of the overall funding can be affected by difficulties in distinguishing***

*between the different types of measures  
targeting young people at national level;*

Or. en

**Amendment 46**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1c. Emphasises that Youth Guarantee has become a driver for policy reforms and better coordination in the fields of employment and education;*

Or. en

**Amendment 47**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1d. Notes the inefficiencies of regional or sub-regional monitoring system; therefore asks Member States and Regions to continue strengthening the monitoring system and to develop a more accurate picture of the resources needed to successfully implement the Youth Guarantee, through the publication of periodic reports to facilitate data analysis and the overall evaluation of the program;*

Or. en

**Amendment 48**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1d. Calls for an efficient control and monitoring of spending of allocated funds at European and national levels to prevent abuses and wasting of resources;*

Or. en

**Amendment 49**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 e (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1e. Calls for an effective multi-lateral surveillance of compliance with the Council's recommendation establishing a Youth Guarantee within the European Semester and to address specific country recommendations where needed;*

Or. en

**Amendment 50**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 1 f (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*If. Notes that sufficient economic growth is a pre-requisite for the effective integration of NEETs into the labour market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 51**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that *preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard* the importance of *training* PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with *NGOs, where relevant*;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that *quality job creation is a pre-requisite in order to reap the benefits of the YG; stresses in this regard the importance of reinforcing social rights in the labour market, particularly through the strengthening of collective bargaining, and of developing job-creating measures alongside, including through reduced working times without a reduction in wages and benefits or a lower retirement age; stresses* the importance of *increasing* PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with *the relevant stakeholders, including the social partners and youth organisations, in order to ensure that active employment policies can provide a successful transition to employment in this environment, through individualized advice and training*;

Or. en

**Amendment 52**  
**Javi López, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto**

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that ***preventive interventions and structural reform efforts*** by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training ***PES*** personnel, ***capacity building and cooperation with NGOs***, where relevant;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that ***progressive structural reforms*** by the Member States are needed, ***with a view to ensuring the quality of the services and offers provided under the YG***, in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of ***reforming public employment offices, endowing them with greater resources and training their personnel to devise special services for personalised attention and act in an integrated manner together with all other stakeholders who could potentially be involved in implementing the YG, such as departments of regional and local authorities, social services, NGOs active in civil society***, where relevant;

Or. es

**Amendment 53**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that ***preventive interventions and structural reform efforts*** by the Member States are ***needed*** in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions ***of young people***; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, ***capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant***;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the Member States are ***encouraged to take preventive intervention measures*** in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of ***young Europeans'*** school-to-work transitions: stresses in this regard the importance of ***national programmes to help young people enter the workforce, bridge traineeships and sandwich courses, as well as training PES personnel***;

Or. fr

**Amendment 54**  
**Marian Harkin**

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that *preventive interventions* and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that *proactive, holistic strategies* and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of *strong partnerships between key stakeholders*, training *for* PES personnel, capacity building *for public authorities, education & training institutions, career guidance providers and youth support services* and cooperation with NGOs where relevant;

Or. en

**Amendment 55**  
**Terry Reintke**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with *NGOs, where* relevant;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work *and inactivity-to-work* transitions of young people *and especially NEETs*; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with *the social partners, youth organisations and other* relevant *stakeholders*;

**Amendment 56**

**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant;

*Amendment*

2. ***Points out that all stakeholders must play a key role and be more proactive as regards those persons furthest from the labour market, and involve them more efficiently and effectively;*** stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant;

Or. it

**Amendment 57**

**Ádám Kósa**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and ***transparent,***

*professional* cooperation with NGOs,  
where relevant;

Or. hu

### **Amendment 58**

**Martina Dlabajová, Marian Harkin**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 2**

###### *Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, where relevant;

###### *Amendment*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with *employers and* NGOs, where relevant;

Or. en

### **Amendment 59**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 2**

###### *Draft opinion*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs, *where relevant*;

###### *Amendment*

2. Stresses that preventive interventions and structural reform efforts by the Member States are needed in order to reap the benefits of the YG and ensure the success of school-to-work transitions of young people; stresses in this regard the importance of training PES personnel, capacity building and cooperation with NGOs;

Or. en

**Amendment 60**

**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Calls on the Member States and Commission to assess any shortcomings and conduct market analyses before rolling out the systems provided for under the Youth Guarantee, thereby avoiding worthless training courses and the exploitation of trainees on traineeships that will lead nowhere;**

Or. it

**Amendment 61**

**Sven Schulze**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Notes with concern that Youth Employment initiative / ESF funds might replace national funding, with no subsequent net increase in funding to combat youth unemployment;**

Or. de

**Amendment 62**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Calls on the Member States to create a network to correct the dysfunctions of current national training systems, by identifying the competences needed to close the skill mismatch from the individual profiles of the beneficiaries;**

Or. en

**Amendment 63**  
**Martina Dlabajová, Marian Harkin**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Recalls the importance of cooperation between all levels of governance (EU, Member States and local entities) and the European Commission's technical assistance in implementing effectively the YG;**

Or. en

**Amendment 64**  
**Jana Žitňanská**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Stresses that programmes such as the Youth Guarantee must not be a substitute for Member States' own efforts to fight youth unemployment;**

Or. sk

**Amendment 65**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 2 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2b. Calls on the Commission to propose, in collaboration of EMCO, standards for quality criteria for offers to be made under the YG;**

Or. en

**Amendment 66**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;**

**deleted**

Or. fr

**Amendment 67**

**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual**

**3. Calls on the Commission and Member States to develop the full potential of exchanging best practices; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of**

learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

the most vulnerable groups *and young workers currently further from the labour market; highlights that measures such as subsidies to employers are known to be far less cost-effective in creating sustainable employment than training and orientation services and calls on Member States to adapt their policies accordingly; expresses its concern at the effect that the introduction of subsidies to employers has had on the sustainability of social security and public finances in some Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 68**  
**Marian Harkin**

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

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; *notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;*

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; *encourages the Commission and Member States to fully utilise the sharing of best practices through EMCO and the European Employment Strategy Mutual Learning Programme and believes that a dedicated annual exchange of national YG contact persons should be established to facilitate this;*

Or. en

**Amendment 69**  
**Evelyn Regner**

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

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups; *refers in particular to the combined vocational education and training model, which is not sufficiently well known yet can make a significant contribution to training professionals in shortage occupations by ensuring a smooth transition from school and training to professional life;*

Or. de

**Amendment 70**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups; *Calls on the Commission to identify and diffuse good practices in monitoring and reporting based on its overview of the existing systems across Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 71**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Theodoros Zagorakis, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States ***in implementation of YG-schemes as well as elimination of administrative burden*** has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

Or. en

**Amendment 72**  
**Daniele Viotti**

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

*Draft opinion*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups;

*Amendment*

3. Stresses that the full potential of exchanging best practices among Member States has not yet been realised; notes in this respect the importance of mutual learning aimed at the activation of the most vulnerable groups (***e.g. young women, young people with disabilities and young LGBTI people***);

Or. it

**Amendment 73**  
**Paloma López Bermejo**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure sufficient funding is available in order to ensure the successful integration of all young***

*workers who are unemployed or do not have access to a suitable training or educational offer; stresses that in order to ensure sustainable outcomes, the YG should build on the existing evidence and experiences and be continued in the long-term; underlines that this requires an increase in the public funds available for active labour market policies at EU and Member State level;*

Or. en

**Amendment 74**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3a. Calls on the Member States to bind budget allocations to objective criteria and to design the individual path of the candidate through subjective criteria, giving to national public employment services the minimum flexibility they need to adjust profiling models; believes that profiling young unemployed should be the first step for a full integration and an anticipatory use of different sources of available data, in order to promote the systematic identification of most disadvantaged people;*

Or. en

**Amendment 75**

**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3a.** *Recommends that Member States ensure that what they are offering is of good quality; for example, the proposals made should match the participants' profiles and meet employment demand so as to enable sustainable and potentially long-term integration into the job market itself;*

Or. it

**Amendment 76**

**Terry Reintke**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3a.** *Deplores that a partnership approach fully integrating social partners, youth organisations and other relevant stakeholders in the design, implementation and evaluation of the YG has been scarcely respected; reiterates the idea that the partnership approach is aimed at better reaching the target population and ensuring the provision of quality offers;*

Or. en

**Amendment 77**

**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to *avoid ‘cherry-picking’*; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to *ensure that they are specifically customised to their needs, while ensuring at the same time that young people in the same situation have equal access to the services and support provided by the Youth Guarantee*; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities, *young women and migrants etc.*); *stresses, in this regard, the importance of a successful coordination of the YG with integration and anti-discrimination policies*;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 78**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 4**

##### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

##### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’: *stresses that a merit-based approach must be central to the YG, and* calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

Or. fr

#### **Amendment 79**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Anne Sander**

#### **Draft opinion**

## Paragraph 4

### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities) **by broadening the range of interventions proposed within YG offers;**

Or. en

## Amendment 80 Marian Harkin

### Draft opinion Paragraph 4

### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger **and dedicated** outreach to young people facing multiple barriers **and those furthest from the labour market** (e.g. young people with disabilities);

Or. en

## Amendment 81 Verónica Lope Fontagné

### Draft opinion Paragraph 4

### *Draft opinion*

### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities **or young people from ethnic minorities**);

Or. es

## **Amendment 82**

**Terry Reintke**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 4**

#### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

#### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities **and young migrant women**);

Or. en

## **Amendment 83**

**Ádám Kósa**

### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 4**

#### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger

#### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid ‘cherry-picking’; calls for a stronger, **more**

outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

*barrier-free* outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

Or. hu

#### **Amendment 84**

**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Draft opinion*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid 'cherry-picking'; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

###### *Amendment*

4. Notes that a more diversified approach in the provision of services to different groups within the youth population is needed in order to avoid 'cherry-picking' **and discriminatory selection**; calls for a stronger outreach to young people facing multiple barriers (e.g. young people with disabilities);

Or. it

#### **Amendment 85**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 4 a (new)**

###### *Draft opinion*

###### *Amendment*

**4a. Calls on the Member States to establish appropriate outreach strategies to identify the entire NEET population with the objective of registering them; Calls on the Member States to establish a complete overview of the cost of implementing the Youth Guarantee for the entire NEET population and prioritise the related measures to be implemented according to available financing;**

Or. en

**Amendment 86**  
**Martina Dlabajová**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a. Recalls that there is no common definition of "good quality offer", believes that developing such term does not in itself guarantee a positive outcome of participation in the Youth Guarantee, as sufficient economic growth is a prerequisite for the sustainable integration of NEETs into the labour market;**

Or. en

**Amendment 87**  
**Terry Reintke**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a. Stresses the need of tailoring the measures to local context needs in order to increase their impact, for example through closer involvement of local employers' representatives, local training providers and local authorities;**

Or. en

**Amendment 88**  
**Verónica Lope Fontagné**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a.** *Calls on Member States to step up efforts to reach out to NEETs not registered in Youth Guarantee schemes and who are, therefore, the furthest away from joining the labour market;*

Or. es

**Amendment 89**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a.** *Stresses that the Youth Guarantee must be the framework for the sustainable labour market integration of all groups of young people, including people with disabilities;*

Or. sk

**Amendment 90**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a.** *Highlights the need to provide tailored solutions to a diverse group of young people and making the non-registered NEETs a key target group;*

Or. en

**Amendment 91**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4b. Stresses that persistent mismatches between the participant's profiles and the YG's offers results in people's return to NEET status, is of the opinion that good quality offers should be tailored to the profile and qualification level of individuals and therefore boosting their competences to better meet labour-market demands;***

Or. en

**Amendment 92**

**Terry Reintke**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4b. Calls on the Commission to provide an itemisation of the national contributions to the YEI that are necessary for each Member State in order to implement the YG effectively, taking into consideration the estimate of the ILO;***

Or. en

**Amendment 93**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4c. Takes note that the NEET's group is highly heterogeneous, calls on Member States to conduct a comprehensive analysis of NEET population including a skills mismatch analysis in order to facilitate a smooth transition from education to employment and therefore increase employability of the NEETs;***

Or. en

**Amendment 94**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4d. Highlights the importance of strengthening cooperation between relevant stakeholders such as public and private employment services, education and training institutions, employers, youth organisations and non-governmental organisations working with youth in order to reach the entire NEET population, especially inactive NEETs, who are not covered by the existing systems to enable their effective integration into the labour market; calls on Member States to actively identify and register all NEETs;***

Or. en

**Amendment 95**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 e (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4e. *Calls for enhanced cooperation between education institutions and entrepreneurs to develop curricula tailored to the labour market needs which facilitates a smooth transition from education to employment and tackles skills mismatch;***

Or. en

**Amendment 96**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 4 f (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4f. *Emphasises that promoting mobility in employment, education, apprenticeships and traineeships can improve the skills-set of young people, as well as tackle the geographical skills mismatch that exists in the EU, therefore encourages Member States to include offers from all European countries in a national Youth Guarantee Scheme through making greater use of EURES (European Employment Services), which is a valuable tool to boost mobility;***

Or. en

## Amendment 97

Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 4 g (new)

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4g.** *Stresses that increasing the mobility of workers, for example through deepening international cooperation and by facilitating cross-border recognition of qualifications is effective way of tackling skills mismatch;*

Or. en

## Amendment 98

Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 5

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes; ***Calls on the Member States to ensure more transparency in the data collection, taking into account gender perspective, according to harmonized procedures in order to obtain consistent data in all the Member States; for this purpose it would be appropriate to establish a transparent mechanism for matching actions by different financial instruments;***

Or. en

## Amendment 99

**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

*Amendment*

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes; ***notes with concern that , so far, the sustainability of positive exits in the YG has been deteriorating progressively from 6 to 12 to 18 months<sup>1d</sup>***;

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<sup>1d</sup> See Paragraph 161, ECA Report 05/2017.

Or. en

**Amendment 100**

**Rosa D'Amato, Laura Agea, Tiziana Beghin**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

*Amendment*

5. Calls on the Member States to ***devise targeted strategies aimed at the NEET population, and to*** ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes ***from a standpoint of quality and quantity***;

Or. it

**Amendment 101**

**Marian Harkin**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

5. Calls on the Member States to ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

5. Calls on the Member States to ***provide consistent, quality data to facilitate the development of more evidence-based youth policies and to*** ensure the provision of follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 102**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 5**

#### *Draft opinion*

5. Calls on the Member States to ***ensure the provision of*** follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes;

#### *Amendment*

5. Calls on the Member States to ***provide*** follow-up data to assess the long-term sustainability of outcomes, ***ensuring that such data are protected and anonymous;***

Or. fr

#### **Amendment 103**

**Martina Dlabajová, Marian Harkin**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 5 a (new)**

#### *Draft opinion*

#### *Amendment*

***5a. Calls on the Member States to establish concrete and measurable objectives in implementing YG schemes and to identify its main challenges and appropriate action plans to overcome them; furthermore insists on the Member States to establish an overview of the cost of implementing the Youth Guarantee and to prioritize related measures according to available financing;***

**Amendment 104**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5a. Calls on the Member States to improve their monitoring and reporting systems in order to regularly provide quality data to facilitate the development of more evidence-based youth policies, in particular, the capacity to follow-up the participants that exit the Youth Guarantee in order to reduce the number of unknown exits to the extent possible;***

Or. en

**Amendment 105**

**Csaba Sógor**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5a. Considers that the decision to prolong the Youth Guarantee or to start other new initiatives for boosting youth employment, should be based on thorough assessments of possibilities and means and that objectives of such projects should be as realistic as possible;***

Or. en

**Amendment 106**

**Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. Finds it regrettable that the Commission should include the evaluation of the YG in the European Semester process; considers that the indicators used in the two programmes must necessarily be different and that separate evaluation is thus called for;**

Or. fr

**Amendment 107**  
**Jana Žitňanská**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. Stresses that the Member States are responsible for monitoring, reporting and the quality of the data provided, which are prerequisites for improving policies for activating young people;**

Or. sk

**Amendment 108**  
**Terry Reintke**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. Calls for more transparency in the monitoring of the implementation of the YG and for more ambition with regard to**

*addressing the Member States showing no progress in this regard;*

Or. en

**Amendment 109**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5b. Calls on the Commission to revise its guidance on data collection to minimise the risk of overstatement of results. Member States should revise their baselines and targets accordingly;***

Or. en

**Amendment 110**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***5b. Calls on the Commission to help the Member States to minimise the risk of overstatement of results;***

Or. sk

**Amendment 111**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 c (new)**

**5c.** *Notes that in some Member States the rate of positive outcomes after leaving the Youth Guarantee scheme has deteriorated; notes that the situation is further complicated by the problems the Member States have in providing data on the ongoing situation of participants;*

Or. sk

**Amendment 112**

**Javi López, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

**6.** *Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.*

*Amendment*

**6.** *Calls on the Commission and the Council to make a wholehearted commitment to the Youth Employment Initiative, and the YG in particular, as a long-term European public policy ensuring the integration of young people into the world of work, and in particular to take advantage of the review of the Multiannual Financial Framework to allocate greater resources to the Youth Guarantee – up to EUR 20 billion for 2017-2020 – with a view to improving expenditure oversight mechanisms and, above all to adapting the programme to facilitate take-up of its resources by authorities and increasing its coverage, explicitly including young people up to the age of 30; also calls on the Commission to be flexible in interpreting rules for the funding and reimbursement of activities carried out by authorities under the umbrella of the YG, given the delays experienced in the early years of the programme and the initial difficulties in take-up of funding, so as to ensure that authorities do not encounter*

*financial problems as a result of their participating in the YG.*

Or. es

**Amendment 113**

**Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Heinz K. Becker, Romana Tomc, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Georges Bach, Claude Rolin, Theodoros Zagorakis, Sofia Ribeiro, Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. *Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.*

*Amendment*

6. *Calls on Member States to ensure that young people receive good quality offers, tailored to the profile and qualification level of the individuals, in order to prevent them from the repeated take-up of the YG;*

Or. en

**Amendment 114**

**Paloma López Bermejo**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 6**

*Draft opinion*

6. *Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.*

*Amendment*

6. *Stresses that the YG should ensure that any applicant receives a quality job offer or a training/educational program leading to such quality employment within 4 months;*

Or. en

**Amendment 115**

**Sofia Ribeiro**

**Draft opinion**

## Paragraph 6

### *Draft opinion*

6. *Cautions* against the repeated take-up of the YG *which goes against* the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.

### *Amendment*

6. *Takes the view that* the repeated take-up of the YG *must not hamper* the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.

Or. pt

## Amendment 116

Marian Harkin

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 6

### *Draft opinion*

6. Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.

### *Amendment*

6. Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment; *to that end believes Member States should perform gap assessments and market analyses prior to setting up schemes and must ensure that offers of employment, education or training match participants' profiles and labour market demand to create sustainable employment.*

Or. en

## Amendment 117

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin, Mara Bizzotto

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 6

### *Draft opinion*

6. Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG which goes against the spirit

### *Amendment*

6. Cautions against the repeated take-up of the YG, which goes against the spirit of labour market activation, the aim of

of labour market activation and the aim of transition into permanent employment.

transition into permanent employment *and the principle of the sound use of public money.*

Or. fr

**Amendment 118**  
**Sofia Ribeiro**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Calls for an assessment of the effectiveness of the YG to be carried out in each participating Member State so as to prevent the exploitation of young people by certain companies who are using bogus training schemes to benefit from state-funded labour. Proposes, to that end, monitoring the job prospects of young people who have been beneficiaries of the programme and setting up mechanisms requiring participating employers, whether public or private, to convert a minimum percentage of traineeships into employment contracts as a condition for continuing to benefit from the programme;*

Or. pt

**Amendment 119**  
**Terry Reintke**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Reiterates its commitment to monitor closely all Member State activities to make the YG a reality and invites youth organisations to keep the European*

*Parliament updated on their analysis of Member State actions; urges Member States and the Commission to involve youth stakeholders in policy making;*

Or. en

**Amendment 120**

**Elena Gentile, Evelyn Regner, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Javi López, Brando Benifei**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Calls on the Member States to monitor the individual situation of young people leaving the Youth Guarantee schemes at specific intervals of 6, 12 and 18 months in order to promote the sustainable integration of NEET into the labour market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 121**

**Csaba Sógor**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*6a. Considers that youth unemployment should be dealt with as a priority from the onset in future EFSI operational programmes;*

Or. en

**Amendment 122**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6a. Considers it essential for offer quality to match labour market demand and participant profiles;**

Or. sk

**Amendment 123**

**Sofia Ribeiro**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6b. Advocates ensuring that the young people covered by the YG continue to contribute to and have access to the social and labour protection systems in force in the Member State, thus reinforcing the shared responsibility of all involved, particularly, the young people and employers.**

Or. pt

**Amendment 124**

**Jana Žitňanská**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6b. Stresses that the objective of the Youth Guarantee should be sustainable integration into the labour market.**

Or. sk