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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 63**

**Draft opinion**

**Monika Smolková**

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Accelerating Clean Energy Innovation

(2017/2084(INI))



**Amendment 1**  
**Tonino Picula**

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

*Draft opinion*

1. Recalls that Article 8 of the CPR lays down that ‘the objectives of the ESI Funds shall be pursued in line with the principle of sustainable development’;

*Amendment*

1. Recalls that Article 8 of the CPR lays down that ‘the objectives of the ESI Funds shall be pursued in line with the principle of sustainable development’ ***and with the Union’s promotion of the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment;***

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Martina Anderson**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1a. Highlights the vital role that regions and cities play in the implementation of energy policies, and specifically in developing renewables and promoting sustainable patterns of consumption, and therefore urges the Commission and the Member States to involve cities and regions, as well as civil society, in discussions on the energy transition, above all in the context of state-level integrated energy and climate plans; takes the view, furthermore, that they should be given an active role in drawing up and implementing specific measures;***

Or. es

**Amendment 3**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Recalls that the Partnership Agreements and programmes under the CPR aim to promote resource efficiency, climate change mitigation and adaptation;

*Amendment*

2. Recalls that the Partnership Agreements and programmes under the CPR aim to promote resource efficiency, climate change mitigation and adaptation; ***as well as horizontal principles of partnership, multi-level governance, non-discrimination and gender equality;***

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Andor Deli**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***2a. Underlines that in order to accelerate clean energy innovations coordinated and comprehensive actions are needed on the EU level, however regional and local authorities and other stakeholders should be involved in the policy-making process in early stage to ensure successful energy transition;***

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Andor Deli**

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

*Draft opinion*

3. Recalls that ESI Funds provide important opportunities for energy innovation and its market deployment and in this way play an important role in Europe's energy transition;

*Amendment*

3. Recalls that ESI Funds provide important opportunities for energy innovation and its market deployment and in this way play an important role in Europe's energy transition; ***welcomes the Commission's intention to put in place targeted financial instruments and underlines that PPPs and joint-undertakings in the field of research, development and innovation could reduce the risk-factor thus encourage private-sector's investments in clean energy;***

Or. en

**Amendment 6  
Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Recalls that ESI Funds provide important opportunities for energy innovation and its market deployment and in this way play an important role in Europe's energy transition;

*Amendment*

3. Recalls that ESI Funds provide important opportunities for energy innovation and its market deployment and in this way ***can*** play an important role in Europe's energy transition;

Or. en

**Amendment 7  
Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Martina Anderson**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3a. Emphasises that support for regions and cities from ESI Funds must be stepped up in the area of the energy***

*transition; points out, specifically, that economic support and resources should be increased for the implementation of local energy renovation programmes, for local communities that produce clean energy, for the renovation of buildings and homes with the aim of increasing energy efficiency, and in order to combat energy poverty; points out, in that regard, that more effort will need to be put into technical assistance, which is vital in this area; takes the view, on the other hand, that direct and indirect support for the use of fossil fuels should be stopped;*

Or. es

**Amendment 8**  
**Rosa D'Amato**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3a. Urges the Member States and the Commission to ban, by 2020, all policies, measures and subsidies that benefit oil, coal and other carbon-intensive fossil fuels or technologies with pollutant emissions, in order to redirect financial flows towards clean energy research and innovation and to create a Europe that is entirely based on renewable energy by 2040;*

Or. it

**Amendment 9**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3a.** *Recalls the EU's commitment under the Paris Agreements that sets out the positive framework for global energy transition; in that regard stresses the need for greater coherence between EU's sectorial and funding policies;*

Or. en

**Amendment 10**

**Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Martina Anderson**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3a.** *Calls for investment in both research and innovative projects to pay particular attention to renewable energy cooperatives, to renewable energy decentralisation and self-generation initiatives, and to innovative action on the part of SMEs; points out, in addition, how important it is to maintain territorial balance in the EU, and to provide more extensive support for regions and cities that are less developed in this regard;*

Or. es

**Amendment 11**

**Bronis Ropė**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 3 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3b.** *Recalls the EU's pledge for phasing out fossil fuel subsidies by 2020 as part of the EU 2020 Strategy and*

*prioritising energy efficiency and  
renewable-based initiatives;*

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3c. Notes the overall satisfactory progress of implementation of Europe 2020 goals as it regards the renewable energy transition, however underlines that the results significantly vary among different Member States;*

Or. en

**Amendment 13**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3d. Notes overall unsatisfactory progress of implementation of Europe 2020 goals as it regards the investment into research and development, with results significantly varying among different Member States and underlines that increased investment into clean energy-related scientific endeavours could both help in achieving set tasks and produce tangible outcomes;*

Or. en

**Amendment 14**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3e. Stresses the key role of climate and clean energy policies as drivers of innovation; recalls that binding standards and targets have fostered EU leadership in eco-innovation and energy efficiency based technologies that have the potential to address climate change and environmental concerns, ensure sustainable security of supply and maintain the EU's competitive advantage in climate-friendly energy technologies;***

Or. en

**Amendment 15**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3f. Welcomes in this respect the Commission's proposal for the clean energy and circular economy package, which has the potential for becoming a key driver for innovation if supported with clear, ambitious energy efficiency and renewable energy targets that are binding at national level; thus the future planning of ESI Funds should be better integrated with the national energy and climate plans for 2030, including by using common indicators to the ones contained in the Regulation on the Governance of the Energy Union when possible;***

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3g.** *Considers that the innovation for decarbonisation should have a key position in the next EU multi-annual framework and supports the increase of climate-related spending in the post-2020 cohesion policy as a way to honour EU's commitment on achieving global sustainable development goals;*

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3h.** *Underlines that most of currently used clean energy technologies (e.g. wind, solar) are highly dependent on changing natural factors what may compromise the stability of energy supply in separate regions or even Member States and therefore calls for adequate attention to be paid to electricity grids interconnectivity, power reserve balancing, storage and other measures necessary in order to have fully functional Common Energy Market;*

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Steeve Briois**

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

*Draft opinion*

4. *Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships, including on energy;*

*Amendment*

*deleted*

Or. fr

**Amendment 19**  
**Viorica Dăncilă**

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

*Draft opinion*

4. *Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships, including on energy;*

*Amendment*

4. *Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships, including on energy; **stresses the need to improve information for beneficiaries at local and regional level in order to ensure the best possible involvement of small and medium-sized enterprises active in this field, along with young entrepreneurs, as well as cooperation with universities to ensure that innovative solutions are implemented as quickly as possible;***

Or. ro

**Amendment 20**  
**Monika Smolková**

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

*Draft opinion*

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4. Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships, including on energy; ***stresses that continuous and reinforced Cohesion policy is necessary for the post-2020 period to achieve the EU goals towards clean energy;***

Or. en

**Amendment 21**  
**Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Martina Anderson**

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

*Draft opinion*

4. Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; ***encourages*** also, in this context, the ***setting up*** of interregional partnerships, including on energy;

*Amendment*

4. Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; also ***encourages***, in this context, the ***setting-up*** of interregional partnerships, including on energy, ***with particular attention being paid to cross-border cooperation projects;***

Or. es

**Amendment 22**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

4. Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships, ***including on*** energy;

*Amendment*

4. Considers that the smart specialisation approach (resulting in over 120 research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation), as set up by the reformed cohesion policy for 2014-2020, should be further developed; encourages also, in this context, the setting up of interregional partnerships ***if necessary also those going beyond the EU borders, prioritising those on clean*** energy;

Or. en

**Amendment 23**  
**Marc Joulaud**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4a. Emphasises the special conditions and opportunities offered by certain territories, such as the outermost regions, when it comes to innovation in clean energy (insularity, climate, sea areas, etc.);***

Or. fr

**Amendment 24**  
**Andor Deli**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a.** *Underlines that additional support is needed for less developed, remote and rural regions to implement clean energy technologies without any delay thus ensuring energy convergence across all of the EU's regions;*

Or. en

**Amendment 25**  
**Andor Deli**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Insists on the importance of a bottom-up approach involving all stakeholders in order to stimulate innovative projects;

*Amendment*

5. Insists on the importance of a bottom-up, ***multidisciplinary and technology-neutral*** approach involving all stakeholders in order to stimulate innovative projects; ***welcomes therefore the role of the European Research Council in the field of fundamental research and the Commission's consideration to set up a European Innovation Council through the Horizon 2020 framework;***

Or. en

**Amendment 26**  
**Daniel Buda**

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

*Draft opinion*

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innovative projects;

innovative projects; *highlights the importance of the European Innovation Council, which can contribute with innovative products, in particular through start-up and scale-up measures for SMEs;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 27**  
**Viorica Dăncilă**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Insists on the importance of a bottom-up approach involving all stakeholders in order to stimulate innovative projects;

*Amendment*

5. Insists on the importance of a bottom-up approach involving all stakeholders - *local, regional and national authorities, universities and SMEs, both through stand-alone projects and by launching partnerships*, in order to stimulate innovative projects *under the umbrella of the European Innovation Council*;

Or. ro

**Amendment 28**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Insists on the importance of a bottom-up approach involving all stakeholders in order to stimulate *innovative projects*;

*Amendment*

5. Insists on the importance of a *multi-level governance and* a bottom-up approach involving all *relevant* stakeholders in order to stimulate *research, development and innovation both in terms of technology and of partnerships*;

Or. en

**Amendment 29**  
**Rosa D'Amato**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. Stresses the need to focus on open innovation and open science to multiply opportunities for smaller stakeholders in the development of clean energy innovation projects and for society overall;**

Or. it

**Amendment 30**  
**Rosa D'Amato**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5b. Urges the Commission and the Member States to draw up a regulatory framework providing access to financial measures that take account of the specific features and of the long-term value of local energy communities for the energy market, the environment and society, and to promote the role of single prosumers in connection with renewables, with a view to greater self-sufficiency and self-generation;**

Or. it

**Amendment 31**  
**Andor Deli**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;

*Amendment*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that ***regional and*** local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources; ***points out that in order to increase synergies and mitigate the complementarity of EU funds the one-stop advisory facility and the European Investment Project Portal should be further developed;***

Or. en

**Amendment 32**  
**Daniel Buda, Viorica Dăncilă**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;

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*setting up a one-stop shop to provide advice in the field of innovation, with a view to directing potential investors towards suitable financing instruments;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 33**  
**Monika Smolková**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;

*Amendment*

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Or. en

**Amendment 34**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

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Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;  
***promotion of synergies shall present a tangible added value and contribute to the overall economic, social and territorial cohesion;***

Or. en

**Amendment 35**  
**Steeve Briois**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;

*Amendment*

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***maintains that the coordination of these instruments must not mean that ESI Funds are substituted in favour of the EFSI;***

Or. fr

**Amendment 36**  
**Tonino Picula**

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

*Draft opinion*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources;

*Amendment*

6. Is concerned about the variety and complexity of the existing financial instruments (Horizon 2020, European Structural and Investment Funds, European Fund for Sustainable Development, European Fund for Strategic Investments, etc.) and insists that efforts be made to simplify and coordinate these so that local authorities and small project promoters have easier access to funding sources ***and that the instruments are tailored to address specific needs of different regions;***

Or. en

**Amendment 37**

**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***6a. Emphasises that the level of use of financial instruments both in general and in particular field of energy is still very low and remains unattractive to potential beneficiaries, with the Member States pointing to the difficulties of access and complexity of the procedures as key obstacles; thus there should be no mandatory target for the use of FIs in the post-2020 cohesion policy;***

Or. en

**Amendment 38**

**Rosa D'Amato**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6a.** *Expresses concern, moreover, also for the high risk profile of some financial instruments and insists that all necessary measures should be adopted to avoid creating conditions that can lead to results that are counter-productive for the real economy, and maybe even to a new speculative bubble;*

Or. it

**Amendment 39**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6b.** *Underlines that the use of financial instruments should remain at the discretion of managing authorities; opposes therefore any binding target for the use of financial instruments in the future cohesion policy as the need for and form of financial instruments largely depends on the sector and the market to be financed;*

Or. en

**Amendment 40**  
**Bronis Ropé**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**6c.** *Is concerned by the proposal to facilitate the combination of ESI Funds with the EFSI by way of derogating to applicable requirements for financial*

*instruments under the current CPR;  
opposes the idea to allow ESI Funds to  
take a subordinated position to the EFSI;*

Or. en

**Amendment 41**  
**Tonino Picula**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects;

*Amendment*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects *with thematic and geographical allocation of resources and easier dissemination of innovations towards citizens;*

Or. en

**Amendment 42**  
**Viorica Dăncilă**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects;

*Amendment*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects; *stresses the need to implement projects in the field of energy transition and to coordinate research and innovation measures geared to energy transition at EU level, in order to meet the EU's targets in this area;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 43**  
**Daniel Buda**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects;

*Amendment*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects; ***takes the view that Member States have a key role to play in the field of energy transition and stresses the need to coordinate research and innovation measures geared to energy transition at EU level, with a view to improved coordination between public sector support and private investment;***

Or. ro

**Amendment 44**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects;

*Amendment*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects; ***emphasises the importance of investing a greater effort to the transition of less developed regions so that they can exploit the potentials of renewable energy, energy efficiency and circular economy for more rapid cohesion in terms of job creation and sustainable development;***

Or. en

**Amendment 45**  
**Andor Deli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Draft opinion*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects;

*Amendment*

7. Stresses the need for a stable, sustainable, transparent and predictable regulatory environment for the development of innovative projects; ***encourages the Member States to join the Mission Innovation initiative and increase public research expenditure in the forthcoming years;***

Or. en

**Amendment 46**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***7a. Notes the importance of further work on the definition of “clean energy”, aiming for one which would also include incentives to minimise the environmental impact of production, installation and operation of equipment for such energy generation;***

Or. en

**Amendment 47**  
**Steeve Briois**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

8. *Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU.*

*deleted*

Or. fr

**Amendment 48**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU.

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU *and taking into consideration the variety of differences among European local authorities and their potentials, calls for flexible, tailor-made approach in the implementation of Urban Agenda, providing incentives and guidance to fully exploit potentials of the cities;*

Or. en

**Amendment 49**  
**Monika Smolková**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU.

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU; *considers that the synergies between EU policies should be strengthened by a unified and consistent*

*EU position towards anti-dumping measures in order to ensure that manufacturing industry take full advantage of energy transition;*

Or. en

**Amendment 50**  
**Viorica Dăncilă**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Draft opinion*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU.

*Amendment*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU, *and stresses the need to carry out projects at local, regional and national level to improve the energy efficiency of buildings, particularly older buildings, in order to reduce energy consumption.*

Or. ro

**Amendment 51**  
**Daniel Buda**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Draft opinion*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU.

*Amendment*

8. Considers that the Urban Agenda for the EU is an important tool to engage cities and also to promote energy transition in the EU, *and stresses the importance of incentives for innovation in the energy efficiency of buildings, with a view to achieving the goal of reducing energy consumption to a minimum in 2050;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 52**  
**Norica Nicolai**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8a. Recommends to promote bio-economy, especially young entrepreneurs in this sector; investments and market instruments must be appropriate to the early stage and economic risk profile of the technologies involved;**

Or. en

**Amendment 53**  
**Bronis Ropè**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8a. Recognises the vital role of regions, cities and towns in promoting ownership of the energy transition and in pushing climate and energy-related innovation from below; notes that regions and urban areas are most suitable for testing and implementing integrated energy solutions in direct connection to citizens;**

Or. en

**Amendment 54**  
**Monika Smolková**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8a.** *Welcomes the recently adopted Energy Performance of the Building Directive nevertheless calls Member States for further actions aiming to improve conditions for energy-poor households; sees improved energy efficiency as an opportunity for new jobs creation, in particular in the building sector;*

Or. en

**Amendment 55**  
**Daniel Buda**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8a.** *Emphasises the transfer of knowledge and implementation of smart, sustainable and inclusive urban demonstration projects, through the urban innovation partnerships for smart cities and communities included in the urban innovative actions;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 56**  
**Norica Nicolai**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8a.** *Underlines the need to extend, as much as possible, the investment plan for Europe to SMEs funding and adapted it to their requirements;*

**Amendment 57**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8b.** *Underlines the potential of the prosumers - consumers who also produce energy, usually from the renewable sources, to both the development of renewable energy capacities, resilience of the grids as well as for the civic engagement;*

Or. en

**Amendment 58**  
**Norica Nicolai**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8b.** *Expresses its concern regarding urban green areas; recommends the priority of inclusion of urban green areas, having in regards the irreversibility of their disappearance;*

Or. en

**Amendment 59**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8c.** *Believes that citizen should be at the centre of the energy transition and that a more decentralised bottom-up, user-centred energy system is a driver for innovation where consumers, local energy communities, cities and small-start-ups can participate and push future developments and innovations;*

Or. en

**Amendment 60**  
**Norica Nicolai**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8c.** *Stresses the need to identify and to combat the bureaucracy and unfair market practices; highlights that this is important whereas it has a negative impact in the emerging phase of revolutionary technologies;*

Or. en

**Amendment 61**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**8d.** *Underlines the importance to promote clean energy transition all over the world and therefore calls to apply the same environmental quality standards for all energy entering the EU market as well as to ensure adequate possibilities for*

*third countries wishing to learn from best EU practices in the field of clean energy transition or cooperate in this field;*

Or. en

**Amendment 62**  
**Norica Nicolai**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*8d. Recommends increasing efforts to support and to harmonise the technological education among children and young people in the E.U.; stresses that education is indispensable to innovation;*

Or. en

**Amendment 63**  
**Bronis Ropé**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 8 e (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*8e. Notes the importance of administrative capacities and civic awareness about the final goals, aims, means and possibilities of involvement into clean energy transition; therefore calls for adequate measures to be foreseen in order to help empowering relevant authorities and civil society.*

Or. en