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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 11**

**Draft opinion**

**Edvard Kožušník**

(PE466.965v01-00)

on Parliament's position on the 2012 Draft Budget as modified by the Council -  
All sections  
(2011/2020(BUD))

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**Amendment 1**  
**Christel Schaldemose**

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

*Draft opinion*

1. Supports the view that in times of austerity the **limited** EU budget **should not simply be reduced, thus putting at risk the commitments already made, but** should be **wisely used** in order to stimulate economic growth via necessary investments and strengthening the functioning of the Single Market, and to **assist** European citizens, consumers and businesses in their job-creating and sustainable activities;

*Amendment*

1. Supports the view that **especially** in times of austerity the EU budget should be **used wisely and** in order to stimulate economic growth; **notes that this may be done** via necessary investments and strengthening the functioning of the Single Market, and **with a view to assisting** European citizens, consumers and businesses in their job-creating and sustainable activities;

Or. da

**Amendment 2**  
**Toine Manders**

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

*Draft opinion*

1. Supports the view that in times of austerity the **limited** EU budget should not **simply be reduced, thus putting at risk** the commitments already made, **but should be wisely used** in order to stimulate economic growth **via necessary investments and strengthening** the functioning of the Single Market, and to assist European citizens, consumers and businesses in their job-creating and sustainable activities;

*Amendment*

1. Supports the view that in times of austerity the EU budget should not be **increased, but that a review and restructuring of the existing appropriations is needed so that the EU budget can be wisely used and** the commitments already made **do not have to be put at risk**, in order to stimulate economic growth, **to strengthen** the functioning of the Single Market, and to assist European citizens, consumers and businesses in their job-creating and sustainable activities;

Or. nl

**Amendment 3**  
**Edvard Kožušník**

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

*Draft opinion*

2. Points out the importance of the continuous budgetary allocation for the operation and development of the internal market, particularly in the fields of notification, certification and sectoral approximation (budget lines 02 01 04 **04** and 02 03 01); ***expects the Commission's Standardisation Package to respond to its request for*** a more integrated EU standardisation system and more sustainable financing system for the development of standards;

*Amendment*

2. Points out the importance of the continuous budgetary allocation for the operation and development of the internal market, particularly in the fields of notification, certification and sectoral approximation (budget lines 02 01 04 **01** and 02 03 01); ***stresses that the new regulatory framework on European standardisation should lead to*** a more integrated EU standardisation system and more sustainable financing system for the development of standards;

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Louis Grech**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Asks for the continuous financing of the Pilot Project 'Single Market Forum' (SMF; budget line 12 02 03), organised jointly by the Commission and the Council Presidency, and bringing together stakeholders from the EU institutions, Member States, civil society and business organisations to assess progress in relaunching the Single Market, exchange best practices and address the top concerns of European citizens;

*Amendment*

5. Asks for the continuous financing of the Pilot Project 'Single Market Forum' (SMF; budget line 12 02 03), organised jointly by the Commission and the Council Presidency, and bringing together stakeholders from the EU institutions, Member States, civil society and business organisations to assess progress in relaunching the Single Market, exchange best practices and address the top concerns of European citizens; ***acknowledges and welcomes the fact that the Commission started the process of evaluation and***

*review of the list of ‘Top 20 concerns’;  
calls for the ‘Top 20 concerns’ to be  
examined on a regular basis at the Single  
Market Forum, using them as verifiable  
indicators to evaluate and monitor the  
developments in the Single Market, vis-à-  
vis European citizens;*

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Róza Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein**

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

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

5. Asks for the continuous financing of the Pilot Project 'Single market Form' (SMF: budget line 12 02 03), organised *every year* jointly by the Commission, *the European Parliament* and the Council Presidency, and bringing together stakeholders from the EU institutions, Member States, civil society and business organisations to assess progress in relaunching the Single Market, exchange best practices and address the top concerns of European citizens;

Or. en

**Amendment 6**  
**Christel Schaldemose**

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

*Draft opinion*

**6. Deplores the non-allocation of money to commitments** for SOLVIT and Single Market Assistance Services (budget line 12 02 02); considers the SOLVIT network an

*Amendment*

**6. Is concerned about the reduction in commitment appropriations** for SOLVIT and Single Market Assistance Services (budget line 12 02 02); considers the

effective free-of-charge out-of-court dispute settlement mechanism which should be supported by training and promotion activities in all Member States;

SOLVIT network an effective free-of-charge out-of-court dispute settlement mechanism which should be supported by training and promotion activities in all Member States;

Or. da

**Amendment 7**  
**Rolandas Paksas**

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

*Draft opinion*

8. Reiterates its calls on the Commission and the Member States to co-fund further joint market surveillance actions; recognises the role of customs in market surveillance and supports the strengthening of the cooperation between customs administrations and market surveillance authorities; calls on the Member States to allocate necessary financial and human resources in order to fulfil their respective obligations for the implementation of Customs 2013 Programme (budget lines 14 01 04 02 and 14 04 02);

*Amendment*

8. Reiterates its calls on the Commission and the Member States to co-fund further joint market surveillance actions; recognises the role of customs in market surveillance and supports the strengthening of the cooperation between customs administrations and market surveillance authorities, ***promoting the exchange of good practices and technical assistance***; calls on the Member States to allocate necessary financial and human resources in order to fulfil their respective obligations for the implementation of Customs 2013 Programme (budget lines 14 01 04 02 and 14 04 02), ***paying particular attention to protecting external borders and combating trafficking and fraud***;

Or. It

**Amendment 8**  
**Juozas Imbrasas**

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

*Draft opinion*

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Or. It

**Amendment 9**  
**Edvard Kožušník**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Draft opinion*

9. Deems it necessary to ***increase*** the amount allocated to Union action in the field of consumer policy (budget line 17 02 02) in order to assure the continuation of existing surveys and market studies, and especially the Consumer Markets and Conditions Scoreboards; welcomes the mid-term evaluation of the Consumer Policy Strategy and Programme of Community action and looks forward to the separate *evaluation* on the consumer education, information and capacity building actions, envisaged for July 2011;

*Amendment*

9. Deems it necessary to ***maintain*** the amount allocated to Union action in the field of consumer policy (budget line 17 02 02) in order to assure the continuation of existing surveys and market studies, and especially the Consumer Markets and Conditions Scoreboards; welcomes the mid-term evaluation of the Consumer Policy Strategy and Programme of Community action and looks forward to the separate *evaluation* on the consumer education, information and capacity building actions, envisaged for July 2011;

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Rolandas Paksas**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Draft opinion*

10. Notes the key messages of the recent evaluation of the European Consumer *Centers* (ECC) Network's functioning, especially with regard to the limited resources available so far and performance-based incentives proposed for the future; maintains its support for the Consumer Protection Cooperation (CPC) Network, ***notwithstanding the forthcoming evaluation and assessment of its effectiveness..***

*Amendment*

10. Notes the key messages of the recent evaluation of the European Consumer *Centres* (ECC) Network's functioning, especially with regard to the limited resources available so far and performance-based incentives proposed for the future; maintains its support for the Consumer Protection Cooperation (CPC) Network ***which seeks to ensure that effective cooperation mechanisms for consumer protection enforcement authorities are defined and applied in the Member States;***

Or. It

**Amendment 11**  
**Juozas Imbrasas**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 10**

*Draft opinion*

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