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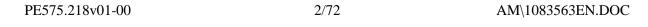
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Cohesion policy in mountainous regions of the EU (2015/2279(INI))

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Amendment 1 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Citation 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 637/2008 and Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009;

Or. fr

Amendment 2 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Citation 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 28 April 2015 on 'A new EU Forest Strategy: for forests and the forest-based sector',

Or. it

Amendment 3 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Citation 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Alpine Convention

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including the Protocols to the Alpine Convention,

Or. en

Amendment 4 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Citation 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Women/Alpnet project within the Interreg Alpine space programme 2001-2006: A Network of Local Institutions and Resource Centres for Women: Promoting Women's Participation in the Alpine Space Sustainable Development,

Or. en

Amendment 5 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) *must be reworded*;

Amendment

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) cannot be used as it stands in the context of regional policy;

Or. fr

Amendment 6 Monika Vana

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Motion for a resolution Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) *must be reworded*;

Amendment

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) is not suitable for EU regional policy;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) must be reworded;

Amendment

B. whereas there is no explicit definition of mountainous regions in EU regional policy, and whereas the definition used in the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EARDF) must be reworded to make the management of cohesion policies more effective;

Or. sl

Amendment 8 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas *many mountainous* regions *face depopulation and ageing populations*, owing to the extreme conditions and remoteness, which *upsets* the natural cycle of generations *and leads*

Amendment

C. whereas these regions are structurally disadvantaged, owing to the extreme conditions and remoteness, to the extent that many mountainous regions face depopulation and ageing populations,

to a lowering of social standards and the quality of life; whereas this often leads to a rise in unemployment, social exclusion and urban migration; which *can upset* the natural cycle of generations, *leading* to a lowering of social standards and the quality of life; whereas this often leads to a rise in unemployment, social exclusion and urban migration;

Or. it

Amendment 9 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas considerable differences exist between mountainous regions, and therefore coordination of policies and sectors is required, both between different mountainous regions (horizontally) as well as within individual mountainous regions (vertically);

Or. sl

Amendment 10 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas support *from the EARDF* for mountainous regions *could be complemented by* European Structural and Investment (ESI) *funds* with a view to achieving better and more inclusive development;

Amendment

E. whereas support for mountainous regions *from different EU instruments* such as the EARDF and European Structural and Investment (ESI) should be complementary with a view to achieving better and more inclusive development;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas support from the EARDF for mountainous regions could be complemented by European Structural and Investment (ESI) funds with a view to *achieving* better and more inclusive development;

Amendment

E. whereas support from the EARDF for mountainous regions could be complemented by European Structural and Investment (ESI) funds with a view to *creating synergies which will make it possible to achieve* better and more inclusive development;

Or. fr

Amendment 12 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic development of Member States;

Amendment

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic, *social and sustainable* development of Member States:

Or. en

Amendment 13 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic development of Member States;

Amendment

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic development of Member States; *whereas gender equality has a significant impact*

on economic, social and territorial cohesion in Europe, which is determined by a number of factors, including women's participation in the labour market, and can also contribute to gender equality regarding access to good education, decent employment and career development opportunities, thereby increasing the percentage of the population in active employment, enhancing available skills and boosting competitiveness;

Or. ro

Amendment 14 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic development of Member States;

Amendment

F. whereas mountainous regions play an important role for the economic development of Member States *and* provide numerous ecosystem services;

Or. sl

Amendment 15 Jasenko Selimovic

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas mountainous cross-border cooperation, tourism and craft represent a sustainable way to foster economic and social development of mountainous regions;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas large parts of mountain areas are protected within the Natura 2000 ecological network and under other types of nature conservation arrangements, a fact which on the one hand limits economic activity, but also helps to bolster more sustainable forms of farming and to link farming more closely with other economic activities;

Or. sl

Amendment 17 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas mountainous regions face serious challenges – as regards social and economic development, climate change, transport and demographic issues – that *can only* be addressed through the establishment of adequate connections with urban areas;

Amendment

H. whereas mountainous regions face serious challenges – as regards social and economic development, climate change, transport and demographic issues – that *must* be addressed through the establishment of adequate connections with urban areas *and by guaranteeing access to digital services*;

Or. it

Amendment 18 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas mountainous regions face serious challenges – as regards social and economic development, climate change, transport and demographic issues – that can only be addressed through the establishment of adequate connections with *urban* areas:

Amendment

H. whereas mountainous regions face serious challenges – as regards social and economic development, climate change, transport and demographic issues – that can only be addressed through the establishment of adequate connections with *lowland* areas;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas mountain areas with preserved ecosystems and their services can provide a basis for many economic activities, with the emphasis on farming, forestry, tourism and energy, taking into account the cultural and natural heritage of these areas;

Or. sl

Amendment 20 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. whereas mountain regions contain a great many European protected nature parks featuring particularly remarkable biodiversity, but the latter is seriously

undermined and endangered by climate change and intensive human activities;

Or. fr

Amendment 21 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Recital H b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Hb. whereas glaciers are characteristic of European mountains and whereas they play a vital role in both the ecosystems and water systems of mountains, whereas their retreat in terms of mass and length since the mid-19th century has attained alarming levels and whereas many glaciers in Europe have already disappeared or are in danger of disappearing by 2050;

Or. fr

Amendment 22 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas there are different types of mountainous regions in Europe, but they all share a number of common problems, such as poor accessibility, few employment opportunities' an ageing population and a lack of connectivity;

Amendment

I. whereas there are different types of mountainous regions in Europe which are linked by sharing fundamental negative aspects, such as poor accessibility, few employment opportunities, an ageing population and a lack of connectivity; whereas active steps must be taken to address these aspects;

Or. cs

Amendment 23 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas there are different types of mountainous regions in Europe, but they all share a number of common problems, such as poor accessibility, few employment opportunities' an ageing population *and* a lack of connectivity;

Amendment

I. whereas there are different types of mountainous regions in Europe, but they all share a number of common problems, such as poor accessibility, few employment opportunities' an ageing population, a lack of connectivity, the impact of climate change and the intensification of human productive activity;

Or. fr

Amendment 24 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas mountainous regions face specific gender equality challenges; whereas mainstreaming a gender perspective into all areas of European policy, including cohesion policy, is a key EU commitment;

Or. en

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Amendment 25 Georgi Pirinski

Motion for a resolution Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas mountainous regions which are part of EU external borders encounter additional difficulties and are affected to a greater extent by the negative trends common for all mountainous regions;

Or. en

Amendment 26 Tomasz Piotr Poręba

Motion for a resolution Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that expand into non-Member States;

Amendment

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that expand into non-Member States such as the Carpathian mountain range, which, after the last EU enlargement, became the eastern border of the EU and is today an extremely important geopolitical area where strategic political interests of great importance with regard to Union stability meet;

Or. en

Amendment 27 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that expand into non-Member States;

Amendment

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that expand *across several Member States and also* into non-Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 28 Iliana Iotova

Motion for a resolution Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that *expand into* non-Member States:

Amendment

J. whereas in Europe there are mountain ridges that cross more than one Member State and in some cases cross both Member States and non-Member States:

Or. bg

Amendment 29 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas many mountainous regions lack basic infrastructure and access to *services of general interest*;

Amendment

K. whereas many mountainous regions lack basic infrastructure and access to *public services*;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas many mountainous regions lack basic infrastructure and access to services of general interest;

Amendment

K. whereas many mountainous regions lack basic infrastructure and *continuous* access to services of general interest, *especially in areas of seasonal activity*;

Or. ro

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Amendment 31 Iliana Iotova

Motion for a resolution Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas mountainous regions *depend largely upon mountain agriculture*;

Amendment

L. whereas mountain agriculture is important for the identity and culture of mountainous regions and continues to contribute to employment and the economy in those regions;

Or. bg

Amendment 32 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Recital L

Motion for a resolution

largely upon mountain agriculture;

L. whereas mountainous regions *depend*

Amendment

L. whereas mountainous regions base their economy on specific sectors, such as mountain agriculture, forest resources and tourism;

Or. it

Amendment 33 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas mountainous regions *depend largely* upon mountain agriculture;

Amendment

L. whereas mountainous regions *partly depend* upon mountain agriculture *and tourism*;

Amendment 34 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas mountainous regions depend *largely* upon mountain agriculture;

Amendment

L. whereas mountainous regions depend *often* upon mountain agriculture *while* further diversification of their economies and employment is on-going;

Or. en

Amendment 35 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Recital L a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

La. whereas women living in mountainous regions, especially in disadvantaged regions, often face problems concerning their access to higher levels of education and decent job opportunities;

Or. en

Amendment 36 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Recital L a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

La. whereas mountainous regions play an

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integral role in the circular economy;

Or. ro

Amendment 37 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Recital L a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

La. whereas active or dormant volcanos, volcanic massifs or chains of volcanoes, and volcanic islands constitute mountain regions;

Or. fr

Amendment 38 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Recital L b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Lb. whereas some of the Outermost Regions are also mountain regions of volcanic origin, with parts both submerged and above water, and whereas they encounter difficulties caused by the topology of their territory;

Or. fr

Amendment 39 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Mercedes Bresso, Michela Giuffrida, Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, *depend heavily on mountains*; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, *are greatly integrated with mountain areas*; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

Or. it

Amendment 41 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

Amendment

1. Calls on the Commission to start the process of creating a working definition for functional mountainous regions in the context of the Cohesion Policy; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission to take into account in this definition volcanic regions, such as the islands and Outermost Regions of volcanic origin: calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains, and to study the specific characteristics of volcanic mountain regions; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including nonmountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative:

Or. fr

Amendment 42 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

EARDF; considers that such a definition must be wide and inclusive, taking into account different factors such as altitude, accessibility and slope; calls on the Commission also to take into consideration areas that, while not mountainous, depend heavily on mountains and form a single mass with them; points out, in this context, the idea reflected in the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP) of including non-mountainous areas in the strategy as a good initiative;

Or. fr

Amendment 43 Mercedes Bresso, Michela Giuffrida, Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Amendment

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they *have clear structural disadvantages; these regions, indeed*, need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Or. it

Amendment 44 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

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Motion for a resolution

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Amendment

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide *yearlong and not only seasonal* employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy:

Or. ro

Amendment 45 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Amendment

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development, *prevention and management of natural disasters* and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Or. fr

Amendment 46 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy;

Amendment

2. Considers that EU policies should have a specific approach to mountainous regions, as they need additional support to overcome the challenges of climate change, be able to provide employment, economic development and protection of the environment, and help reach the EU renewable energy targets; considers, as a result of this, that mountainous regions should be mainstreamed in all aspects of EU policies, including the Cohesion Policy, by introducing a territorial impact assessment:

Or. en

Amendment 47 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Calls on the Commission to work on an 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions', which should be a framework that contributes to transnational, cross-border and interregional policies; believes that the future agenda should identify the priorities for the development of these regions, so that *sectorial* policies may be adjusted in a better way and opportunities to finance them steered through EU funds, and so that long-term sustainable policies for inclusion may be achieved;

Amendment

4. Calls on the Commission to work on an 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions', which should be a framework that contributes to transnational, cross-border and interregional policies; believes that the future agenda should identify the priorities for the development of these regions, so that *sectoral* policies may be adjusted in a better way and opportunities to finance them steered through EU funds, and so that long-term sustainable policies for inclusion may be achieved;

Or. en

Amendment 48 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Calls on the Commission, in the context of this programme, to establish a specific, in-depth programme to protect those European glaciers which are predicted to disappear by 2050;

Or. fr

Amendment 49 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Calls for the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI); calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to mountainous regions;

Amendment

5. Calls for *synergies to be increased by means of* the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI); calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to mountainous regions;

Or. fr

Amendment 50 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Calls for the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI); calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to mountainous regions;

Amendment

5. Calls for the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), as well as macroregional strategy initiatives; calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to mountainous regions;

Or. ro

Amendment 51 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Calls for the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI); calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to

Amendment

5. Calls for the coordination of EU policies, strategies and programmes that have an indirect effect upon mountainous regions, such as Horizon 2020, COSME, LIFE, Natura 2000, the EU Broadband Strategy, the EU Climate Adaptation Strategy, the EU Environment Action Programme, the Connecting Europe Facility, European Territorial Cooperation, ESI Funds and the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI); calls on the Commission to consider the specific application of these programmes to, *and*

mountainous regions;

operation thereof in, mountainous regions;

Or. cs

Amendment 52 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Calls on European regions which contain cross-border mountain areas to make maximum use of INTERREG programmes to manage their shared areas and mountain ranges in a joint, coordinated manner;

Or. fr

Amendment 53 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Underlines the importance of achieving synergies across policies, instruments and sectors which requires an integrated approach to be applied; highlights the valuable experience gained in the implementation of the Alpine Convention which reconciles economic, social and environmental interests;

Or. en

Amendment 54 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5b. Points to the scarcity of useable land in mountainous regions which provides for potential conflicts due to diverging or overlapping interests on land classification and use; calls therefore on Member States to develop and apply spatial planning tools that facilitate coordination and public participation in territorial development; considers the Protocol on spatial planning and sustainable development of the Alpine Convention an important example to further capitalise on;

Or. en

Amendment 55 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5b. Calls on nature parks belonging to Member States which share a border with one or more other States to devise joint approaches to the management, development and protection of nature parks; welcomes in this context the strong cooperation which has been established between the Italian and French parks of the Italian Maritime Alps and the Mercantour;

Or. fr

Amendment 56 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls for *a substantial increase in* allocations of ESI Funds at national level for *undeveloped* mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Amendment

6. Calls for *the managing authorities to consider increasing* allocations of ESI Funds at national level for mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Or. it

Amendment 57 Andrew Lewer, Tomasz Piotr Poręba

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls for a *substantial increase in allocations* of ESI Funds at national level *for* undeveloped mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Amendment

6. Calls for a *reallocation* of ESI Funds at national level *to support* undeveloped mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Or. en

Amendment 58 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls for a substantial increase in allocations of ESI Funds at national level for *undeveloped* mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Amendment

6. Calls for a substantial increase in allocations of ESI Funds at national level for *support of* mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Or. en

Amendment 59 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls for a substantial increase in allocations of ESI Funds at national level for undeveloped mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible;

Amendment

6. Calls for a substantial increase in allocations of ESI Funds at national level for undeveloped mountainous areas, using a multi-sectoral policy approach, where possible; calls on the Member States to encourage investment in mountain areas by favouring operational programme funding for such areas;

Or. ro

Amendment 60 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Regrets that no geographical or territorial criterion has been adopted for the selection of projects within the EFSI which would have allowed less attractive regions such as mountainous regions to benefit more from this instrument;

Or. fr

Amendment 61 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Encourages the Member States to make use of tools such as the Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and the Community-led Local Development (CLLD) instruments in support of the development of mountainous areas;

Amendment

8. Encourages the Member States to make use of tools such as the Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and the Community-led Local Development (CLLD) instruments in support of the development of mountainous areas, *in particular to support project engineering*;

Or. fr

Amendment 62 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Encourages the Member States to make use of tools such as the Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and the Community-led Local Development (CLLD) instruments in support of the development of mountainous areas;

Amendment

8. Encourages the Member States to make use of tools such as the Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and the Community-led Local Development (CLLD) instruments in support of the development of mountainous areas, in view of their specific development potential and objectives;

Or. ro

Amendment 63 Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the potential and importance of existing and future development of macro-regional strategies for the sustainable development of the EU's mountainous regions with a strong cross-

Amendment

9. Underlines the potential and importance of existing and future development of macro-regional strategies for the sustainable development of the EU's mountainous regions with a strong cross-

border cooperation dimension, where applicable;

border cooperation dimension, where applicable; calls for experience in the implementation of other EU macroregional strategies to be taken into account;

Or. hr

Amendment 64 Tomasz Piotr Poreba

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the current initiatives for the Carpathian Mountains in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region and the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development, taking into account mountainous areas and regions dependent on them;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development, taking into account mountainous areas and regions dependent on them;

Or. en

Amendment 65 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the current initiatives for the Carpathian Mountains in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region and the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development, taking into account mountainous areas and regions dependent on them;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the current initiatives for the Carpathian Mountains in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region and the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development;

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Amendment 66 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the current initiatives for the Carpathian Mountains in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region and the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development, taking into account mountainous areas and regions *dependent on* them;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the current initiatives for the Carpathian Mountains in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region and the progress made on the EU macro-regional strategy for the Alps; notes that the latter is a good example of an integrated approach to territorial development, taking into account mountainous areas and regions *integrated with* them;

Or. it

Amendment 67 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Believes that the European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) instrument offers an excellent opportunity to share best practices and knowledge among mountainous regions, and calls for a specific mountain dimension in the future ETC; welcomes initiatives, such as 'Policies against depopulation in mountainous areas' (PADIMA), that are aimed to address the specific problems faced by mountainous regions;

Amendment

11. Believes that the European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) instrument offers an excellent opportunity to share best practices and knowledge among mountainous regions, which in many cases are located on national borders, and calls for a specific mountain dimension in the future ETC; welcomes initiatives, such as 'Policies against depopulation in mountainous areas' (PADIMA), that are aimed to address the specific problems faced by mountainous regions; stresses the importance of other cooperation initiatives, such as EGTC and EEIG, to develop these areas;

Amendment 68 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Believes that the European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) instrument offers an excellent opportunity to share best practices and knowledge among mountainous regions, and calls for a specific mountain dimension in the future ETC; welcomes initiatives, such as 'Policies against depopulation in mountainous areas' (PADIMA), that are aimed to address the specific problems faced by mountainous regions;

Amendment

11. Believes that the European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) instrument offers an excellent opportunity to share best practices and knowledge among mountainous regions, and calls for a specific mountain dimension in the future ETC; welcomes initiatives, such as 'Policies against depopulation in mountainous areas' (PADIMA), that are aimed to address the specific problems faced by mountainous regions; welcomes initiatives to attract young people into the agricultural sector and calls on the Commission to develop similar programmes for mountain areas;

Or. ro

Amendment 69 Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Calls for the experience of European groupings of territorial cooperation (EGTCs), especially those situated in mountainous regions, to be put to use with a view to promoting cross-border cooperation in mountainous regions;

Or. hr

Amendment 70 Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Recalls that the Carpathians Europe's second largest mountain range,
with the highest mountain population comprises some of the poorest areas of the
EU, which have immediate need of
infrastructure, transport and
environmental investment and support for
local entrepreneurship, which could be
ensured by a separate European strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 71 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on the Commission to present a communication containing an 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions' and, subsequent to this, *a White Paper on* the development of mountainous regions, based on best practices and involving local, regional and national authorities, and other relevant actors, including economic and social partners and representatives of civil society;

Amendment

12. Calls on the Commission to present a communication containing an 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions' and, subsequent to this, *to monitor* the development of mountainous regions, based on best practices and involving local, regional and national authorities, and other relevant actors, including economic and social partners and representatives of civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 72 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Highlights that gender inequalities persist in communities in mountainous, particularly in the case of marginalised communities and vulnerable groups such as elderly women, women carers, women with disabilities, Roma women, women from ethnic minority backgrounds, and LGBTIQ persons; calls on the Commission to ensure all of its policies, and policy-making processes on mountainous regions include a holistic and comprehensive gender perspective;

Or. en

Amendment 73 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Underlines the need to be able to rely on statistical data on which to base policy initiatives;

Amendment

14. Underlines the need to be able to rely on statistical *disaggregate* data on which to base policy initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 74 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Underlines the need to be able to rely on statistical data on which to base policy

Amendment

14. Underlines the need to be able to rely on *trustworthy* statistical data on which to

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initiatives;

base policy initiatives;

Or. fr

Amendment 75 Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls for cooperation with European non-Member States for the implementation of a policy for mountainous regions;

Amendment

15. Calls for cooperation with European non-Member States, *and with regional and local government*, for the implementation of a policy for mountainous regions;

Or. hr

Amendment 76 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls on the Commission to encourage the use of financial *engineering* instruments in mountainous regions in order to reach concrete results;

Amendment

16. Calls on the Commission to encourage the use of financial instruments in mountainous regions in order to reach concrete results;

Or. en

Amendment 77 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes the ongoing debate on

Amendment

17. Welcomes the ongoing debate on

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simplification of the Cohesion Policy; hopes that a lighter *framework*, and the availability of instruments that are easier for stakeholders and recipients to use, will contribute to the development of EU mountainous regions; calls for specific attention to be paid to simplification and to efforts to facilitate investments in mountain regions;

simplification of the Cohesion Policy; hopes that a lighter *approach*, and the availability of instruments that are easier for stakeholders and recipients to use, will contribute to the development of EU mountainous regions; calls for specific attention to be paid to simplification and to efforts to facilitate investments in mountain regions;

Or. en

Amendment 78 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Subheading 2

Motion for a resolution

Jobs and growth in mountainous regions

Amendment

Jobs and *economic* growth in mountainous regions

Or. sl

Amendment 79 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs;

Amendment

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the *ESI Funds resources and the other EU-subsidized programmes and initiatives into* a holistic and *most* effective policy approach to *maximize the effects of support to* SMEs;

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Amendment 80 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs;

Amendment

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; urges the Member States accordingly to give priority to investment in infrastructure and services in mountain areas to facilitate the development of integrated production systems; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF). EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs;

Or. ro

Amendment 81 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional

Amendment

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, *particularly areas affected by natural and climate-*

Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs: aggravated disasters such as floods, forest fires, etc., and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 82 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs:

Amendment

19. Notes that SMEs in mountainous regions are faced with serious difficulties owing to lack of accessibility, infrastructure, connectivity and human resources; calls on the Commission to pay specific attention to the development of SMEs in mountainous regions, and to combine the European Fund for Regional Development (ERDF), EARDF resources and the COSME programme in a holistic and effective policy approach to supporting SMEs and entrepreneurship;

Or. en

Amendment 83 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Stresses the importance of structuring food chains in mountain areas, either within associations of producer organisations, which increases farmers' negotiating strength, or by

setting up local markets and short supply chains and introducing product quality, promotion and protection measures, thereby improving the marketing of agricultural products and including them within the general tourism products of a given geographical area;

Or. sl

Amendment 84 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Welcomes the progress made on the EU Forest Strategy; supports the sustainable development of forests at Union level, especially as regards the contribution of forests to safeguarding the environment and biodiversity and achieving renewable energy targets; notes that the *economic* dimension of forestry could be emphasised within the strategy;

Amendment

20. Welcomes the progress made on the EU Forest Strategy; supports the sustainable development of forests at Union level, especially as regards the contribution of forests to safeguarding the environment and biodiversity and achieving renewable energy targets; notes that the *mountainous* dimension of forestry could be emphasised within the strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 85 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Emphasises also the potential of the volcanic mountainous regions and volcanoes, especially as regards the contribution of volcanology, to achieving the renewable energy targets and the contribution of these areas in the

prevention and management of natural disasters, such as volcanic eruptions;

Or. fr

Amendment 86 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Considers that sustainable forestry can offer jobs and economic development for mountainous regions; calls for the support of SMEs involved in the wood sector;

Amendment

21. Considers that sustainable forestry can offer jobs and economic development for mountainous regions and that forest resources should therefore be guaranteed over time, by exploiting them sustainably; points out that forests are of vital importance for the ecosystem and that in the mountains they play an important role of preventing avalanches, landslides and flooding; calls for the support of SMEs, in particular those established in mountain areas, which are involved in the wood sector and fully respect the principle of environmental sustainability;

Or. it

Amendment 87 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls for additional incentives to preserve small processing enterprises in mountainous areas, since they make it possible to maintain agricultural production and employment and create higher quality products;

Amendment 88 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Calls on the beneficiaries of ESI Funds in the mountainous regions assess the *performance*, potential and needs of *locally situated* technological parks and, *where such parks do not exist*, consider *building them* using EU and national means;

Amendment

22. Calls on the beneficiaries of ESI Funds in the mountainous regions to assess the potential and needs of establishing local technological parks and after appropriate feasibility study and cost-benefit analysis to consider their construction using EU and national means;

Or. en

Amendment 89 Iliana Iotova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Calls on the beneficiaries of ESI Funds in the mountainous regions assess the performance, potential and needs of locally situated technological parks and, where such parks do not exist, consider building them using EU and national means;

Amendment

22. Calls on the beneficiaries of ESI Funds in the mountainous regions assess the performance, potential and needs of locally situated technological *and industrial* parks and, where such parks do not exist, consider building them using EU and national means;

Or. bg

Amendment 90 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22 a (new)

Amendment

22a. Stresses the importance of preserving small farm holdings, which in mountainous regions are the main way of life and an important source of employment; calls on the Member States to support greater diversification of activities on small farms with the aim of generating additional income throughout the year;

Or. sl

Amendment 91 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Underlines the need for smart specialisation strategies, where applicable, in boosting the potential offered by mountainous regions;

Amendment

23. Underlines the need for smart specialisation strategies, where applicable, in boosting the potential offered by mountainous regions; calls on the Member States to promote teleworking in these areas to improve companies' cost management;

Or. sl

Amendment 92 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Highlights the important role that social enterprise, and alternative business models such as cooperatives and mutuals, can play in the inclusive and sustainable

development of mountainous regions, including overcoming exclusion of marginalised groups, or overcoming gender inequalities;

Or. en

Amendment 93 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Considers that mountain areas have strong potential for producing high-quality food products; calls on the Commission and the Member States to discuss the introduction of a special designation for mountain food products at EU level;

Or. sl

Amendment 94 Georgi Pirinski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Notes that new information and communication technologies offer a wide range of opportunities for employment in emerging digital economy; considers therefore that specific support from ESI Funds is needed for promotion of such opportunities;

Or. en

Amendment 95 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recognises the need for support from the *EARDF*, and believes that its synergy with *ESI* Funds could have a positive impact in mountainous regions;

Amendment

24. Recognises the need for support from the *EAFRD*, and believes that its synergy with *the other EU* Funds, *initiatives*, *as well as private financial instruments*, could have a positive impact in mountainous regions;

Or. en

Amendment 96 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recognises the need for support from the EARDF, and believes that its synergy with ESI Funds could have a positive impact in mountainous regions;

Amendment

24. Stresses the importance of agricultural production in mountain areas and the efforts undertaken to create added value; recognises the need for support from the EARDF, and believes that its synergy with ESI Funds could have a positive impact in mountainous regions;

Or. fr

Amendment 97 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Recognises the need for support from the EARDF, and believes that its synergy

Amendment

24. Recognises the need for support from the EARDF, and believes that its synergy

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with ESI Funds could have a positive impact in mountainous regions;

with ESI Funds could have a positive impact in mountainous regions; calls on the Commission help develop multiple agricultural production, tourist development and environmental protection activities;

Or. ro

Amendment 98 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for *industry* sectors that do not pollute, such as sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and the *renewables sector*;

Amendment

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for *economic* sectors that do not pollute, such as sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and the *renewable energy*;

Or. en

Amendment 99 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for industry sectors that do not pollute, such as sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and the renewables sector;

Amendment

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for industry sectors that do not pollute *and are future-oriented*, such as sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and the renewables sector;

Or. en

Amendment 100 Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for industry sectors that do not pollute, such as sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and the renewables sector;

Amendment

25. Supports the use of ESI Funds for industry sectors that do not pollute, such as sustainable tourism, *cultural heritage*, sustainable forestry, *high-speed Internet development*, *crafts*, and the renewables sector;

Or. hr

Amendment 101 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls on the Member States to create incentives for more active development of public-private partnerships in mountainous regions, both in the area of public utilities and services as well as in transport, communication and energy infrastructure, as the lack of economies of scale makes the provision of these services commercially unattractive; stresses that only better transport and other infrastructure and services of general interest (SGI) of sufficient quality can create economic growth and new jobs in mountain areas;

Or. sl

Amendment 102 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Amendment

25a. Urges that measures be taken, based on projects for young farmers, to encourage young entrepreneurs to branch out in areas relating to specific mountain traditions and not limited to seasonal activity alone;

Or. ro

Amendment 103 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Encourages the support of local action groups (LAGs) for community-led local development;

Or. it

Amendment 104 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Subheading 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Social dimension of the mountainous regions

Socio-economic dimension of the mountainous regions

Or. en

Amendment 105 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Notes that *supporting* the shift towards a low-carbon, climate-resilient, resource-efficient and environmentally sustainable economy *could be emphasised within the* Cohesion Policy;

Amendment

26. Notes that *support for* the shift towards a low-carbon, climate-resilient, resource-efficient and environmentally sustainable economy *must be incorporated into* Cohesion Policy;

Or. en

Amendment 106 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Integrated place-based strategies on mountainous regions should be developed with view to identify specific development opportunities and include measures about increase the connectivity of local SMEs and both intra- and inter-sectoral relations and coordination;

Or. en

Amendment 107 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Considers that increasing the qualifications of the workforce and the creation of new jobs in the green economy should be part of the investment priorities of the *European Social Fund (ESF)*, and stresses that EU policies should support

Amendment

27. Considers that increasing the qualifications of the workforce and the creation of new jobs in the green economy should be part of the investment priorities of the *ESI Funds*, and stresses that EU policies should support training in areas

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training in areas such as mountain agriculture, sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and renewable energy technologies; such as mountain agriculture, sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and renewable energy technologies;

Or. en

Amendment 108 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Considers that increasing the qualifications of the workforce and the creation of new jobs in the green economy should be part of the investment priorities of the European Social Fund (ESF), and stresses that EU policies should support training in areas such as mountain agriculture, sustainable tourism, sustainable forestry and renewable energy technologies;

Amendment

27. Considers that increasing the qualifications of the workforce and the creation of new jobs in the green economy should be part of the investment priorities of the European Social Fund (ESF), and stresses that EU policies should support training in areas such as mountain agriculture, sustainable tourism, *craft industries*, sustainable forestry and renewable energy technologies;

Or. fr

Amendment 109 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Stresses the need to promote and support small and medium-sized mountain farms which, by using traditional techniques and production methods that exploit natural resources – such as pastures and different types of forage crops – in an integrated and sustainable manner, produce products with specific quality characteristics but

which, on average, have higher costs and lower profitability than intensive crops or livestock farms;

Or. it

Amendment 110 Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved in Austria, Germany and other Member States; welcomes as well projects for dual education within the macro-regional EU Strategy for the Danube Region;

Amendment

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved in Austria, Germany and other Member States;

Or. it

Amendment 111 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved *in*Austria, Germany and other Member States; welcomes as well projects for dual education within the macro-regional EU Strategy for the Danube Region;

Amendment

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved *by some* Member States; welcomes as well projects for dual education within the macroregional EU Strategy for the Danube Region;

Or. sl

Amendment 112 Georgi Pirinski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved in Austria, Germany and other Member States; welcomes as well projects for dual education within the macro-regional EU Strategy for the Danube Region;

Amendment

28. Highlights the potential of dual education in mountainous regions; points at the encouraging results achieved in Austria, Germany and other Member States; welcomes as well projects for dual education within the macro-regional EU Strategy for the Danube Region; calls on the Commission to come up with specific recommendations for overcoming the shortage of skilled labour in the tourism industry specifically addressing the challenges of unattractive jobs and insufficient remuneration, as well as for stimulating possibilities for professional career development;

Or. en

Amendment 113 Georgi Pirinski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Amendment

29. Underlines that free and equal access to education and childcare facilities is a must for overcoming negative demographic trends in remote and mountainous regions; stresses that access to education should be provided taking into account above all the best interest of the child; supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Amendment 114 Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Amendment

29. Supports *IT-based* innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Or. hr

Amendment 115 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Amendment

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic *quality* education, *as well* as formal and informal education and lifelong learning opportunities, in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Or. en

Amendment 116 Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions *and* cities;

Amendment

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions, cities *and universities*;

Or. en

Amendment 117 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities;

Amendment

29. Supports innovative solutions for access to basic education in remote mountainous areas, such as through cooperation among mountainous regions and cities; underlines the need for high-quality tertiary education and points to the potential of distance education systems which offer access to teaching and learning from remote areas;

Or. en

Amendment 118 Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Calls on the Commission to promote pilot projects with a view to recovering traditional economic activities, including farming and handicrafts, in mountain areas that are subject to depopulation, to increase the resilience of the local people

and make them more welcoming;

Or. it

Amendment 119 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, *where necessary*;

Amendment

30. Calls for the *development and* improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions;

Or. sl

Amendment 120 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary;

Amendment

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities *and services* in mountainous regions, where necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 121 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary;

Amendment

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary, *for example the projected*

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development of cross-border healthcare establishments, where needed;

Or. ro

Amendment 122 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary;

Amendment

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary, also through cross-border cooperation initiatives, should they be helpful;

Or. it

Amendment 123 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary;

Amendment

30. Calls for the improvement of healthcare facilities in mountainous regions, where necessary; advocates the development of voluntary work for the provision of public services, taking into account best practices in certain Member States;

Or. ro

Amendment 124 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30 a (new)

Amendment

30a. Recalls the principle of universal access to public services to be guaranteed in all territories of the EU while stressing the need for Member States and regions to encourage alternative and innovative solutions for mountainous areas including tailor-made solutions adapted to local and regional needs if necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 125 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

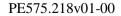
Amendment

30a. Emphasises the importance of the empowerment of women and girls through education, and particularly increasing inclusion of women and girls in areas where they are structurally underrepresented, such as in science, technology, engineering, maths and entrepreneurship; notes that gender equality and the inclusion of women in technology-based and green economy sectors in mountainous regions is especially important for their sustainable economic growth development;

Or. en

Amendment 126 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31





31. Stresses the importance of the Youth Employment Initiative as a good opportunity to stop the outflow of young people from mountainous regions in response to the demographic crisis and the problem of an ageing population; calls for youth employment initiatives specifically oriented to meet the needs of underdeveloped mountainous regions;

Amendment

31. Stresses the importance of the Youth Employment Initiative and of a more effective implementation of the Youth Guarantee as a good opportunity to stop the outflow of young people from mountainous regions in response to the demographic crisis and the problem of an ageing population; calls for youth employment initiatives specifically oriented to meet the needs of underdeveloped mountainous regions;

Or. it

Amendment 127 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to make provision for specific measures involving existing resources and procedures - guarantee funds for example - to launch microfinancing and micro-credit initiatives geared mainly to women;

Or. ro

Amendment 128 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Calls for a comparative analysis of the peculiarities of women's conditions in

mountainous regions, in particular in disadvantaged mountain areas;

Or. en

Amendment 129 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Encourages and call for the support, including through the use of ESI Funds, of initiatives improving the social and cultural cohesion of and inclusion in mountainous communities, and overcoming the physical isolation and lack of cultural diversity, in particular through access and direct participation in arts and cultural life;

Or. en

Amendment 130 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Points out that, given the population ageing trend in mountain areas, the focus should be on further training and retraining for older people and their active integration into the labour market;

Or. sl

Amendment 131 Ivan Jakovčić

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Points to the importance of developing new innovative tourism models and promoting successful existing models (scattered hotels, for example), as these benefit the social dimension of mountainous regions;

Or. hr

Amendment 132 Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. Stresses the importance of integrated territorial initiatives with a view to integrating migrants, in connection with processes relating to demographic and socio-economic renewal and recovery in mountain areas, including those undergoing depopulation; calls on the Commission to facilitate and promote the dissemination of such initiatives;

Or. it

Amendment 133 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31b. Calls on the Commission to urge the Member States to set clear objectives, in terms of European mobility, education,

training and career opportunities for women, under the European Social Fund heading devoted to transnational projects;

Or. ro

Amendment 134 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31b. Urges the Commission to take gender mainstreaming actions at horizontal and vertical level for any policy area and fund covering women living in mountainous regions to counter any given imbalance;

Or. en

Amendment 135 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Subheading 4

Motion for a resolution

Environmental protection within mountainous regions

Amendment

Environmental protection *and combating climate change* within mountainous regions

Or. fr

Amendment 136 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 a (new)

Amendment

32a. Recalls the particular vulnerability of ecosystems and plant and animal species in high mountain areas, and the need for the formation of broad snowpacks during the entire winter season if they are to survive;

Or. fr

Amendment 137 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32b. Emphasises the need to protect at European level the emblematic highmountain species able to live on crossborder mountain ranges, such as chamois, ibex, large raptors, bears, wolves and lynx; calls on the Commission and Member States to establish a plan for the protection and reintroduction of emblematic high-mountain species; condemns the mass, indiscriminate slaughter of these species in some Member States carried out by States where a disease spreads among certain groups of wild animal, or by farmers in respect of certain species whose presence or reintroduction they are opposed to;

Or. fr

Amendment 138 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 c (new)

Amendment

32c. Recalls that mountainous regions are especially vulnerable to climate change; takes the view that climate change has serious consequences for mountainous regions; calls on the Commission and Member States to launch a plan to combat climate change and take appropriate climate change adjustment measures in mountainous regions; calls on the Commission to develop a network of analysis and exchanges of good practices in the fight against climate change in mountainous areas;

Or. fr

Amendment 139 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32d. Calls on Member States and the Commission to identify all the high mountain resorts where a car ban would have a positive impact on the local fight against the melting of glaciers;

Or. fr

Amendment 140 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32e. Calls on the Commission and Member States to identify specific actions

Or. fr

Amendment 141 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must *not come at* the *cost* of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may *be highly damaging for* ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape;

Amendment

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must *take into account* the *balance* of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may *damage* ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape, *while being a source of self-development*;

Or. fr

Amendment 142 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape;

Amendment

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems;

Or. en

Amendment 143 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape;

Amendment

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems, while *nuclear*, wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape;

Or. en

Amendment 144 Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape;

Amendment

33. Insists that reaching EU renewable energy targets must not come at the cost of nature and the environment; recalls that, in some cases, hydropower and biomass extraction may be highly damaging for ecosystems, while wind and solar energy plants can harm the landscape; calls on the Member States to strike a balance between renewable energy exploitation in mountain areas and environmental protection;

Or. ro

Amendment 145 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 33 a (new)

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Amendment

33a. Stresses the importance of preserving and protecting the unique habitat of mountainous regions and to develop it in a sustainable way including by restoring biodiversity and soil, promoting natural heritage and ecosystem services and providing green infrastructure thus also offering job opportunities in those sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 146 Monika Vana

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Notes that mountainous regions are especially vulnerable to climate change; believes, in this regard, that safeguarding the environment, combatting climate change and taking appropriate climate change adaptation measures must be at the heart of a future 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions';

Amendment

34. Notes that mountainous regions are especially vulnerable to climate change with particularly important consequences in those regions including through increasing numbers of natural hazards; believes, in this regard, that safeguarding the environment, combatting climate change and taking appropriate climate change adaptation measures must be at the heart of a future 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions';

Or. en

Amendment 147 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34. Notes that mountainous regions are

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especially vulnerable to climate change; believes, in this regard, that safeguarding the environment, combatting climate change and taking appropriate climate change adaptation measures must be at the heart of a future 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions'; especially vulnerable to climate change, which can have an environmental impact also on surrounding areas and negative repercussions on economic development and tourism; believes, in this regard, that safeguarding the environment, combatting climate change and taking appropriate climate change adaptation measures must be at the heart of a future 'Agenda for EU Mountainous Regions';

Or. it

Amendment 148 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34a. Reiterates the importance of ensuring that measures to prevent hydrogeological risks and make mountain areas safe are programmed and implemented, especially in those regions that are often subject to subsidence, landslides and flooding because of their specific geomorphology and/or indiscriminate human activity;

Or. it

Amendment 149 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. *Notes* that mountainous regions are an important source of water resources that must be safeguarded and managed in a sustainable way; notes the reliance of

Amendment

35. *Stresses* that mountainous regions are an important source of water resources that must be safeguarded and managed in a sustainable way; notes the reliance of

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urban areas on *water resources* from the mountainous regions;

certain urban areas on *ecosystem services* from the mountainous regions;

Or. sl

Amendment 150 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Notes that mountainous regions are an important source of water resources that must be safeguarded and managed in a sustainable way; notes the reliance of urban areas on water resources from the mountainous regions;

Amendment

35. Notes that mountainous regions are an important source of water resources that must be safeguarded and managed in a sustainable way; notes the reliance of urban areas on water resources from the mountainous regions; calls for measures to encourage public-private partnerships in the form of cooperation projects to collect and protect water supplies for urban communities in the vicinity of mountain areas;

Or. ro

Amendment 151 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 36

Motion for a resolution

36. Notes the dependence of urban areas on ecosystem services offered by mountainous regions, and that these regions often do not receive a just return;

Amendment

deleted

Or. sl

Amendment 152 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 36

Motion for a resolution

36. *Notes* the dependence of urban areas on ecosystem services offered by mountainous regions, and that these regions often do not receive a just return;

Amendment

36. Emphasises the vital role of mountain areas in preserving regional ecosystems; notes the dependence of urban areas on ecosystem services offered by mountainous regions, and that these regions often do not receive a just return;

Or fr

Amendment 153 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37a. Highlights the need for active synergistic cooperation between farming and other economic activities on Natura 2000 sites and in other protected areas (national parks, countryside parks, etc.) lying in mountain regions;

Or. sl

Amendment 154 Franc Bogovič

Motion for a resolution Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

Connectivity and accessibility in mountainous regions

Amendment

Accessibility and connectivity in mountainous regions

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Amendment 155 Iliana Iotova

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38a. Notes that tourism is influenced to a large extent by the presence of infrastructure and access to services of services of general interest; calls on the Commission to consider the possibilities for creating infrastructure in support of tourism in mountainous regions;

Or. bg

Amendment 156 Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38a. Considers that easier access to new information technologies could lead to the development of distance education programmes in areas with a shortage of teachers, as well as e-health services, which might help prevent the depopulation of mountain areas;

Or. ro

Amendment 157 Isabella Adinolfi, Rosa D'Amato, Marco Zullo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 38 a (new)

Amendment

38a. Calls for examples of good practices to be proposed, which can contribute to the economic diversification of mountain regions, such as telework, e-commerce and the use of digital marketing channels;

Or. it

Amendment 158 Mercedes Bresso, Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Calls on the Commission, when developing policies for broadband access, to take into account the lack of infrastructure and interest of investors owing to the sparse population and remoteness of mountainous regions; calls on the Commission to develop specific policies for overcoming the digital divide in these regions;

Amendment

40. Calls on the Commission, when developing policies for broadband access, to take into account the lack of infrastructure and interest of investors owing to the sparse population and remoteness of mountainous regions; calls on the Commission to develop specific policies for overcoming the digital divide in these regions, also through the necessary public investments;

Or. it

Amendment 159 Julie Ward

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40a. Calls on the Commission to take into account the enormous potential of the internet and digital platforms for social inclusion and empowerment; highlights that the inclusion of marginalised and vulnerable communities, as well as gender

equality must be central to Commission connectivity policy in the mountainous regions;

Or. en

Amendment 160 Georgi Pirinski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40a. Recalls that social and economic development of mountainous regions, which in some member states are also remote regions, depends on transport links between them and the other regions in a given member state or trans-border regions; calls on the national authorities in cooperation with the Commission to facilitate implementation of projects for transport connectivity of mountainous regions with main national and trans-European roads and transport corridors using different EU funds and financial instruments, including EIB investments;

Or. en

Amendment 161 Younous Omarjee

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40a. Calls on the mountainous regions of Europe to invest through the ERDF in the development of more efficient and better interconnected railways and tram networks;

Or. fr

Amendment 162 Marc Joulaud, Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

40a. Calls on the Commission to confirm the interest of the European Union in supporting (TEN-T) transport infrastructure to overcome the barriers often created by mountain ranges;

Or. fr