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Draft opinion
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on an EU strategy for liquefied natural gas and gas storage
(2016/2059(INI))

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Amendment 1
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

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Or. fr

Amendment 2
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way by relying on the freedom of states to choose their energy mix and suppliers in order to ensure their energy independence;

Or. fr

Amendment 3
Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Draft opinion
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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way *through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;*

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way *by building a genuine Energy Union and a single energy market, in accordance with the principle of real solidarity and trust and based on a competitive, sustainable economy benefiting from international energy trading;*

Or. pl

Amendment 4
Notis Marias

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of *Member States and their* citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should *serve the national interests of the Member States and* be for the benefit of *EU* citizens;

Or. el

Amendment 5
Angel Dzhambazki

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and ***their*** citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and ***through a*** consensus between the Member States on this matter, ***which is compatible with their interests and does not impede their economic growth***; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of ***all*** Member States and ***European*** citizens;

Or. bg

Amendment 6
Nikos Androulakis

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and ***consensus*** between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and ***cooperation*** between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens; ***supports the efforts for a common EU position in multilateral energy institutions and frameworks***;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Dubravka Šuica

Draft opinion
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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national ***energy policies*** and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further ***integration*** of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national ***emergency plans*** and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further ***cooperation*** of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 8

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter ***in line with EU targets and international obligations as well as with the objectives and the consistency of the Common Foreign and Security Policy***; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of ***non EU and EU*** Member States and their citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 9

Francesc Gambús

Draft opinion

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1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way ***by setting up a common energy policy***, through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens;

Or. es

Amendment 10
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

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Amendment

1. Is of the opinion that energy security can be achieved in the most efficient way through better coordination of national energy policies and consensus between the Member States on this matter; believes, in this context, that further integration of energy policy should be for the benefit of Member States and their citizens; ***points out that Russia's isolation has entailed a high cost to the EU in terms of energy independence, bearing in mind that it has also coincided with periods of extreme instability in the EU's southern neighbourhood;***

Or. it

Amendment 11
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion
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Amendment

2. *Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;*

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Or. fr

Amendment 12
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

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Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and *that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;*

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and *a fundamental issue for all countries of the world in respect of their independence; stresses that the EU's ultra-liberal policies have given rise to greater energy poverty; calls for energy, and climate, not to become an instrument for the Commission to meddle in the affairs of third countries, something that would undermine foreign policy and damage the interests of the Member States and, therefore, the EU;*

Or. fr

Amendment 13
Anna Elżbieta Fotyga

Draft opinion
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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; *believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;*

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty;

Or. pl

Amendment 14

Notis Marias

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; *believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries;* calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies; *believes that the EU should not make use of energy cooperation as a means of interfering with the internal political, social and economic workings of partner countries;*

Or. el

Amendment 15

Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Draft opinion

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for ***all*** and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is ***both a strategic resource and*** a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure ***security of supply for Member States and*** equal and cheap access for ***individuals and businesses*** and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies ***and the goals of the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the European Neighbourhood Policy***;

Or. pl

Amendment 16

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for ***better links between energy and*** climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; ***reminds that climate change diplomacy is an integral part of the EU foreign policy and*** calls in this context for ***the full integration of its*** climate policies ***into the EU energy policy***;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Dubravka Šuica

Draft opinion
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2. Highlights that energy is a basic **human good** and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and **cheap** access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy **cooperation** the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; ***calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;***

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic **necessity** and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and **affordable** access for all and to combat energy poverty ***through a more efficient market***; believes that through **cooperation on energy issues which relate to transport, supply security and on production**, the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Georgios Epitideios

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; ***believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries;*** calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Or. el

Amendment 19
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Draft opinion
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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening **democracy**, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for **better links** between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening **democratic values**, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for **a comprehensive strategy that will effectively enforce a link** between energy and climate policies;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft opinion
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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all **and** to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good **and a right** and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access **guaranteed** for all **in order** to combat energy poverty; **maintains that the Energy Union has to benefit all European citizens so as to enable them to exercise their right of access to energy**; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Or. it

Amendment 21

Javier Nart, Carolina Punset, Petras Auštrevičius, Fredrick Federley

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment

2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies; ***encourages Member States not to cooperate with gas suppliers who do not comply with similar human rights and environmental standards as the EU;***

Or. en

Amendment 22

Angel Dzhambazki

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

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2. Highlights that energy is a basic human good and that an important goal of the Energy Union is to ensure equal and cheap access for all and to combat energy poverty ***and energy monopolies***; believes that through energy cooperation the EU can positively contribute to promoting and strengthening democracy, the rule of law and human rights in partner countries; calls in this context for better links between energy and climate policies;

Amendment 23
Urmas Paet

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2a. Maintains that if the Energy Union is to work, it is essential to have sufficient connections between EU Member States and that this applies both to pipelines and to power networks; considers that only in that way will it be possible to minimise such adverse impacts as might be caused by suppliers;

Or. et

Amendment 24
Javier Nart, Carolina Punset, Petras Auštrevičius, Fredrick Federley, Morten Helveg Petersen, Ivo Vajgl

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls for better links between energy and climate policies; reminds the need to avoid the creation of a new fossil fuel lock-in and the necessity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 80-95% below 1990 levels by 2050;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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Amendment

3. *Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 26

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. *Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;*

3. Stresses the importance of avoiding dependence on a single supplier *in the energy sector, a rule that should apply to all foreign suppliers;*

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Dubravka Šuica

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular

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importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the ***promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;***

importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the ***utilisation of the existing LNG storage terminals to be maximised, while making up for any deficiencies in infrastructure which will enable the operation of an integrated and flexible market also ensuring the security of supply;***

Or. en

Amendment 28
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; ***calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;***

Amendment

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier, ***but points out that LNG cannot be classed as an alternative energy source, given that the environmental impact of its conversion process, though lower compared with other hydrocarbons, is nonetheless significant;***

Or. it

Amendment 29
Notis Marias

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance ***in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier;*** calls in this context for the promotion and

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance ***for energy security;*** calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes,

development of new natural gas nodes *and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;*

particularly in the Mediterranean EU Member States;

Or. el

Amendment 30

Javier Nart, Carolina Punset, Fredrick Federley, Morten Helveg Petersen, Ivo Vajgl

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage *are of particular importance* in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for *the promotion and development of* new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations *in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;*

Amendment

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage *can play a role* in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for *a thorough assessment of where* new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations *could improve energy security, taking into account the unused capacities of existing infrastructures, declining gas demand throughout Europe, the risk of stranded assets and EU 2030 and 2050 climate and energy objectives;*

Or. en

Amendment 31

Nikos Androulakis

Draft opinion

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central *and* south-eastern

Amendment

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier *as it is by nature diversified in its potential multiple origins; underlines the importance of maritime transportation to the efforts to*

regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

find new suppliers and calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central *regions as well as the coastal areas of* south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

Or. en

Amendment 32

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

Amendment

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean; *highlights that the Commission should consider in upcoming gas supply contracts that in the future "artificial natural gas" production will play an important role;*

Or. en

Amendment 33

Anna Elżbieta Fotyga

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3. *Emphasises that* liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence

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3. *Recognises the importance of the US decision on* liquefied natural gas (LNG) *exports to EU countries;*

on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

emphasises that LNG and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

Or. pl

Amendment 34
Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Draft opinion
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3. emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

Amendment

3. Emphasises that liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas storage are of particular importance in order to avoid dependence on a single energy supplier; calls in this context for the promotion and development of new natural gas nodes, ***transmission corridors*** and LNG storage stations in the central and south-eastern regions, the Baltic and the Mediterranean;

Or. pl

Amendment 35
Georgios Epitideios

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Notes that exploitation of large underwater gas reserves located within the Cyprus and Greece EEZ will ensure the energy independence of European countries for many decades;

Amendment 36

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Stresses the importance of reducing or removing the EU gas and oil dependence on authoritarian regimes that violate human rights as a matter of consistency with the EU founding values and the effectiveness of the EU external action;

Or. en

Amendment 37

Nikos Androulakis

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Notes the prospect of a huge expansion (50%) of LNG in global supply over the coming years and consequently of lower prices which constitute a major opportunity for EU especially on the issues of gas security and resilience;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft opinion

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

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Or. fr

Amendment 39

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

4. Stresses that it is important to support regions that depend on a single supplier in diversifying their energy supplies, and that energy policy should be implemented in a pragmatic, non-ideologically motivated manner in respect of long-established suppliers such as Russia;

Or. fr

Amendment 40

Fabio Massimo Castaldo

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights

4. Maintains that LNG is often promoted more for strategic regions than to give EU citizens access to energy; points out that energy security, first and foremost in the Mediterranean, should be

the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

built on investment in clean alternative energy sources; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

Or. it

Amendment 41

Javier Nart, Carolina Punset, Petras Auštrevičius, Fredrick Federley, Morten Helveg Petersen, Ivo Vajgl

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply, ***and to strengthen their energy security by reducing demand through efficiency measures; recalls that promoting LNG would push Member States to be more reliant on gas imports while for every 1% improvement in energy efficiency, EU gas imports fall by 2.6%***;

Or. en

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Nikos Androulakis

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member

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States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply ***by creating new LNG terminals, distribution systems and gas interconnectors with reverse flow capabilities, especially in the more remote and or/les well connected Member States such as Greece, Bulgaria and the Baltic States;***

Or. en

Amendment 43
Anna Elżbieta Fotyga

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply ***and the need to ensure the security of maritime supply routes in order to guarantee the continuity of supply;***

Or. pl

Amendment 44
Ivan Jakovčić

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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any

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kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply; ***calls for the countries of South-East Europe, and candidate countries in particular, to be included in activities of that type;***

Or. hr

Amendment 45
Francisco José Millán Mon

Draft opinion
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4. Believes that LNG and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

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4. Believes that LNG, ***interconnections*** and gas storage are an important part of the Energy Union and should contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable countries in order to diversify their sources and routes of supply;

Or. es

Amendment 46
Notis Marias

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4. Believes that LNG ***and gas*** storage ***are*** an important part of the Energy Union and ***should*** contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable ***countries*** in order to diversify their sources and routes

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4. Believes that LNG storage ***should be*** an important part of the Energy Union and contribute towards ending any kind of energy isolation of the EU Member States and regions; highlights the need to support the most vulnerable ***Member States*** in order to diversify their sources and routes

of supply;

of supply;

Or. el

Amendment 47
Petras Auštrevičius

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Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. *Expresses concern over the proposed project of doubling the existing capacity of the Nord Stream gas pipeline and emphasises that this project runs contrary to the underlying principles of a fully integrated, secure, competitive and sustainable Energy Union and raises serious reservations regarding its compatibility with the internal energy market, particularly the Third Energy Package; highlights that the Nord Stream 2, if implemented, will go against the principle of solidarity and trust among Member States, undermine efforts up-to-date of diversification of supply sources, in particular in Central and South-Eastern Europe, and affect negatively the economic sustainability and efficiency of existing and future LNG terminals;*

Or. en

Amendment 48
Francisco José Millán Mon

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. *Points out that, given the prospects for growth in the supply of LNG in the coming years, this strategy might be*

complemented by an assessment of the needs in terms of LNG-carrying vessels and measures to enable the EU shipbuilding industry to seize this opportunity, thereby contributing to the target of increasing industry's share of GDP to 20% in 2020; calls for safety standards for the transport of LNG to be monitored and if necessary made more stringent in the context of measures to prevent terrorism;

Or. es

Amendment 49
Georgios Epitideios

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls for *greater institutional convergence and synergy, and in particular for* better integration of external energy security priorities *in policies pursued by the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR)* and better coordination between *the VP/HR and* the responsible Commissioners *welcomes in this context* the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan and invites the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation thereof.

Amendment

5. Calls for better integration of external energy security priorities and better coordination between the responsible Commissioners; *notes* the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan and invites the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation thereof.

Or. el

Amendment 50
Notis Marias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls for greater institutional convergence and synergy, and in particular for better integration of external energy security priorities in policies pursued by the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) and better coordination between the VP/HR and the responsible Commissioners; *welcomes* in this context ***the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan*** and invites the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation thereof.

Amendment

5. Calls for greater institutional convergence and synergy, and in particular for better integration of external energy security priorities in policies pursued by the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) and better coordination between the VP/HR and the responsible Commissioners; ***calls*** in this context ***on*** the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation ***of the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan***.

Or. el

Amendment 51
Nikos Androulakis

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls for greater institutional convergence and synergy, and in particular for better integration of external energy security priorities in policies pursued by the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) and better coordination between the VP/HR and the responsible Commissioners; welcomes in this context the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan and invites the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation thereof.

Amendment

5. ***Highlights that EU is the second largest importer of LNG in the world;*** Calls for greater institutional convergence and synergy, and in particular for better integration of external energy security priorities in policies pursued by the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR) and better coordination between the VP/HR and the responsible Commissioners; ***calls the VP/HR along with Member States to enhance existing and to establish new energy cooperation with current and potential suppliers as well as transit states and other key players;*** welcomes in this context the EU Energy Diplomacy Action Plan and invites the VP/HR to regularly inform Parliament about the implementation thereof.

Amendment 52
Nikos Androulakis

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Is of the opinion that the EU should work closely with international partners and in international fora to ensure a free, liquid and transparent LNG market around the world.

Or. en