Amendment 1 Helga Trüpel

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Takes note of the Commission's proposal to cover the additional costs for ITER through performance savings deriving mainly from Joint Undertakings and administrative expenditure of FP7: recalls the added value of EU-financed research and its crucial role in reaching the goals of growth, competitiveness and employment enshrined in the Europe 2020 strategy; in line with the Interinstitutional Declaration of December 2011, decides, therefore, to partly compensate these decreases by setting commitments above DB on a selected number of operational FP7 lines directly underpinning the Europe 2020 strategy and characterised by excellent levels of implementation and strong absorption capacity: proposes to finance this partial offset above the available margin through the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument for an amount of EUR 50 million;

Amendment

23. *Regrets* the Commission's proposal to cover the additional costs for ITER through performance savings deriving mainly from Joint Undertakings and administrative expenditure of FP7; recalls the added value of EU-financed research and its crucial role in reaching the goals of growth, competitiveness and employment enshrined in the Europe 2020 strategy; recalls also the extremely low costeffectiveness of the ITER project, which is highly costly, but will only produce results, if at all, in 2050; in line with the interinstitutional Declaration of December 2011, decides, therefore, to partly compensate these decreases by setting commitments above DB on a selected number of operational FP7 lines directly underpinning the Europe 2020 strategy and characterised by excellent levels of implementation and strong absorption capacity; proposes to finance this partial offset by strongly reducing the appropriations foreseen for ITER;

Amendment 2
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Believes that abandoning the ITER project would free up much needed resources in general, which could be used for investing into already working renewable energy technologies;

Amendment 3
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Believes that the Euratom budget line on Nuclear fission and radiation protection should be reoriented towards the decommissioning of nuclear power plants; in the same vein, believes that the appropriations for nuclear activities of the Joint Research Centre should be used only for activities necessary for implementing safeguards;

Amendment 4
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on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls on the Commission to introduce criteria for spending by Structural Funds that is targeted at tackling the impacts of climate change in time for such criteria to be taken into account in the implementation of the 2013 budget;

Amendment 5
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on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 35a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls on the Commission to increase its efforts to define clear priorities under this Heading that favour sustainable farming systems which preserve biodiversity, protect water resources and soil fertility, respect animal welfare and support employment;

Amendment 6 Helga Trüpel

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Supports the reduction of some budget lines on refunds drastically, in some cases even to zero, as this instrument is politically controversial and has not been taken up for some products at the same level as in the budget year 2012; notes that some refund lines have been earmarked as negative priorities; weighs up carefully to what extent these lines should be reduced, in order to be able to use this instrument if needed under the current regulation on refunds;

Amendment

40. Considers export refunds to be trade distorting and in contradiction to EU development goals; supports, therefore, their complete elimination;

Amendment 7
Helga Trüpel
on behalf of the Verts/ALE

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Rejects the cuts performed by the Council in payment appropriations in the following areas: *European Return Fund (-EUR 18 million)*, European Refugee Fund (-EUR 1,8 million), European Fund for the Integration of third-country nationals (-EUR 3,2 million) and Fundamental Rights and Citizenship (-EUR 1 million); decides, therefore, to restore the level of the DB on the corresponding lines;

Amendment

44. Rejects the cuts performed by the Council in payment appropriations in the following areas: European Refugee Fund (-EUR 1,8 million), European Fund for the Integration of third-country nationals (-EUR 3,2 million) and Fundamental Rights and Citizenship (-EUR 1 million); decides, therefore, to restore the level of the DB on the corresponding lines;

Amendment 8 Helga Trüpel

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. Proposes a small increase in the level of commitment and payment appropriations above the DB for budget lines in the areas of geographical development cooperation, as well as for the Electoral Observation Mission and the Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria; highlights that this should prevent the EU from being further off track as regards its strong commitments on development cooperation financing;

Amendment

53. Proposes to stop the trend of decreasing the appropriations for EU development cooperation and to restore funding at least to the level of 2012; highlights that this should prevent the EU from being further off track as regards its strong commitments on development cooperation financing;

Amendment 9 Helga Trüpel

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

71. Decides to increase the 2013 budget appropriations for the three financial supervision agencies; believes that those appropriations should reflect the need to fulfil the required tasks as more regulations, decisions and directives are being adopted to overcome the current financial and economic crisis which is strongly linked to the stability of the financial sector;

Amendment

71. Decides to increase the 2013 budget appropriations for the three financial supervision agencies; believes that those appropriations should reflect the need to fulfil the required tasks as more regulations, decisions and directives are being adopted to overcome the current financial and economic crisis which is strongly linked to the stability of the financial sector; also decides to increase the appropriations for the Community Fisheries Control Agency, in order to increase surveillance efficiency in respect of fishing in international waters;

Amendment 10 Alexander Alvaro on behalf of the ALDE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 45 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45a. Regrets that a legislative proposal for the legal and technical framework for the extraction of financial transaction data on EU territory has still not been presented and that, therefore, a large part of the budget intended for Prevention, Preparedness and Consequence Management of Terrorism has been put in reserve until all elements of the Terrorist Finance Tracking Programme (TFTP) agreement have been implemented according to its provisions;