Amendment 82
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Establishing the Connecting Europe Facility (COM(2018)0438 – C8-0255/2018 – 2018/0228(COD))

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3 a) The Programme should guarantee a high level of transparency, by providing access to the relevant documents especially in cases where projects affect the environment and human health. The assessment procedure of projects should also take into account social and cohesion criteria, and in particular acceptance by local communities.

Or. en

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4 a) The Programme treats energy efficiency as a crucial element and a key consideration for investment decisions on energy infrastructure in the Union in accordance with Regulation (EU) No XXX/XXX [Governance of the Energy Union]. Namely, it enshrines the 'energy efficiency first' principle, which means considering, before taking energy planning, policy and investment decisions, whether cost-efficient and technically, economically and environmentally sound alternative energy efficiency measures could replace, in whole or in part, the envisaged planning, policy and investment measures, whilst still achieving the objectives of the respective decisions.

Or. en

Justification

This recital introduces the principle of energy efficiency first and is inspired by what is already included in the Regulation on Governance of the Energy Union.

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

(25) In addition, building on the success of the WiFi4EU initiative, the Programme should continue to support the provision of free, high quality, local wireless connectivity in the centres of local public life, including entities with a public mission such as public authorities and providers of public services as well as outdoor spaces accessible to the general public, in order to promote the Union's digital vision in local communities.

Amendment

(25)In addition, building on the success of the WiFi4EU initiative, the Programme should continue to support the provision of free, high quality, local wireless connectivity in the centres of local public life, including entities with a public mission such as public authorities and providers of public services as well as outdoor spaces accessible to the general public, in order to promote the Union's digital vision in local communities. At the same time, due account should be taken of possible negative effects of electromagnetic pollution on human health, so that careful assessments can be carried out to determine where the wireless local access points should be located and how many and how powerful they should be.

Or. en

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26)The viability of the anticipated next generation digital services, such as Internet of Things services and applications which are expected to bring significant benefits across various sectors and for society as a whole, will require uninterrupted crossborder coverage with 5G networks, in particular in view of allowing users and objects to remain connected while on the move. However, the cost sharing scenarios for 5G deployment across these sectors remain unclear and the perceived risks of commercial deployment in some key areas are very high. Road corridors and train connections are expected to be key areas for the first phase of new applications in the area of connected mobility and therefore constitute vital cross-border projects for funding under this Programme.

Amendment

(26)The viability of the anticipated next generation digital services, such as Internet of Things services and applications which are expected to bring significant benefits across various sectors and for society as a whole, will require uninterrupted crossborder coverage with 5G networks, in particular in view of allowing users and objects to remain connected while on the move. However, scientific research increasingly warns against the potential risks to human health and to the environment from exposure to pervasive, prolonged and uninterrupted coverage of 5G technology, on its own and combined with other electromagnetic pollutants. Therefore, in order to ensure the protection of public health and the environment, the precautionary principle should be applied before an extensive rollout of 5G technology, especially in high density population and sensitive areas. However, road corridors and train connections are expected to be key areas for the first phase of new applications in the area of connected mobility and therefore constitute *important* cross-border projects for funding under this Programme.

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