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Establishing the European Solidarity Corps programme

Proposal for a regulation

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Amendment 13

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) ***The European Union is built on*** solidarity, among *its* citizens ***and*** among *its* ***Member*** States. This common value ***guides its actions and provides the necessary unity to cope with*** current and future societal challenges, which young ***Europeans are willing*** to help address by expressing their solidarity in practice.

Amendment

(1) Solidarity ***is the basis of developed and democratic societies, not just*** among citizens, ***but also*** among ***peoples and*** States. This common value ***should be fostered, especially in view of*** current and future societal challenges, which young ***people will be able to continue*** to help address by expressing their solidarity in practice.

Or. en

Amendment 14

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

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Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The European Union is built on solidarity, among its citizens and among its Member States. This common value guides its actions and provides the necessary unity to cope with current and future societal challenges, which young Europeans are willing to help address by expressing their solidarity in practice.

Amendment

(1) The European Union is built on solidarity, among its citizens and among its Member States. This common value ***enshrined in Article 2 of the Treaty on the European Union*** guides its actions and provides the necessary unity to cope with current and future societal challenges, which young Europeans are willing to help address by expressing their solidarity in practice.

Or. en

Amendment 15

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The State of the Union address of 14 September 2016 ***emphasised*** the need to invest in young people and announced the establishment of a European Solidarity Corps (***the ‘Programme’***) with a view to ***creating opportunities for*** young people across the Union to make a meaningful contribution to society, show solidarity and develop ***their*** skills, ***thus getting not only work but also invaluable human*** experience.

Amendment

(2) The State of the Union address of 14 September 2016 ***emphasised*** the need to invest in young people and announced the establishment of a European Solidarity Corps with a view to ***enabling*** young people across the Union to make a meaningful contribution to society, show solidarity and develop skills ***and relationships, based on their practical*** experience ***in community-based activities.***

Or. en

Amendment 16

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) ***Article 2 of the Treaty of the European Union highlights solidarity as one of the principles key to the European Union. That principle is also referred to in Article 21(1) of the Treaty of the European Union as one of the foundations of the EU’s external action.***

Amendment

(4) ***Seeking to deepen solidarity between its peoples while respecting their history, culture and traditions, the Union’s aim, as laid down in Article 3 of the Treaty on European Union, is to promote peace, its values and the well-being of its peoples.***

Or. fr

Amendment 17

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5) *Young people should be provided with easily accessible opportunities to engage in solidarity activities, which could enable them to express their commitment to the benefit of communities while acquiring useful experience, skills and competences for their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development, thereby improving their employability. Those activities should also support the mobility of young volunteers, trainees and workers.*

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Or. fr

Amendment 18

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Text proposed by the Commission

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(5) Young people should be provided with easily accessible opportunities to engage in solidarity activities, which could enable them to express their commitment to the benefit of communities while acquiring useful experience, skills and competences *for their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development, thereby improving their employability.* Those activities should also support the mobility of young volunteers, trainees and workers.

(5) Young people *with fewer opportunities* should be provided with easily accessible opportunities to engage in solidarity activities, which could enable them to express their commitment to the benefit of communities while acquiring useful experience, skills and competences. Those activities should also support the mobility of young volunteers, trainees and workers.

Or. en

Amendment 19

Lynn Boylan

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Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

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(5) Young people should be provided with easily accessible opportunities to engage in solidarity activities, which could enable them to express their commitment to the benefit of communities while acquiring useful experience, skills and competences for their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development, thereby improving their employability. Those activities *would* also support *a multicultural exchange among* young volunteers.

Or. en

Amendment 20
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) The solidarity activities offered to young people should be of high quality, in the sense that they should *respond to unmet societal needs*, contribute to *strengthening* communities, offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable *knowledge and* competences, be *financially* accessible to young people, *and* be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

Amendment

(6) The solidarity activities offered to young people should be of high quality, in the sense that they should contribute to *the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps and help overcome societal challenges, while addressing the needs of local* communities. *Solidarity activities should* offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable competences *for personal, social, civic and professional development, include a solid learning and training dimension*, be accessible to *all* young people, be implemented in safe and healthy conditions *and be properly validated. Solidarity activities should not have a negative impact on existing jobs or traineeships and should contribute to reinforcing the corporate social*

responsibility commitments of companies, while not replacing them.

Or. en

Amendment 21

Jean Lambert

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) The solidarity activities offered to young people should be of high quality, ***in the sense that*** they should ***respond to unmet*** societal ***needs***, contribute to strengthening communities, offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge and competences, be financially accessible to young people, and be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

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(6) The solidarity activities offered to young people should be of high quality. They should ***aim to tackle*** societal ***challenges, enhance solidarity and*** contribute to strengthening communities ***and democratic participation. They should*** offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge and competences ***and contribute towards the personal development of participants. They should*** be financially accessible to young people, and be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

Or. en

Amendment 22

Robert Rochefort

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

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being made to promote the participation of young people with fewer opportunities and be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

Or. fr

Amendment 23

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

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(6) The solidarity activities offered to young **people** should be of high quality, in the sense that they should respond to unmet societal needs, contribute to strengthening communities, offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge and competences, be financially accessible to young people, and be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

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(6) The solidarity activities offered to young **European citizens** should be of high quality, in the sense that they should respond to unmet societal needs, contribute to strengthening communities, offer young people the opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge and competences, be financially accessible to young people, and be implemented in safe and healthy conditions.

Or. fr

Justification

Please replace the words 'young people' with the words 'young European citizens' throughout the text.

Amendment 24

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Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

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beyond. Consistency and complementarity should be ensured with other relevant Union policies *and* programmes. The European Solidarity Corps is built on the strengths and synergies of predecessor and existing programmes, notably the European Voluntary Service¹⁹ and the EU Aid Volunteers²⁰. It also complements the efforts made by Member States to support young people and ease their school-to-work transition under the Youth Guarantee by providing them with additional opportunities to make a start on the labour market in the form of traineeships or jobs in solidarity-related areas within their respective Member State or across borders. Complementarity with existing Union level networks pertinent to the activities under the European Solidarity Corps, such as the European Network of Public Employment Services, EURES and the Eurodesk network, are also ensured. Furthermore, complementarity between existing related schemes, *in particular national solidarity schemes and mobility schemes for young people*, and the European Solidarity Corps should be *ensured, building on* good practices *where appropriate*.

beyond. Consistency and complementarity should be ensured with other relevant Union policies, programmes *and instruments*. The European Solidarity Corps is built on the strengths and synergies of predecessor and existing programmes, notably the European Voluntary Service¹⁹ and the EU Aid Volunteers²⁰. It also complements the efforts made by Member States to support young people and ease their school-to-work transition under *schemes such as* the Youth Guarantee by providing them with additional opportunities to make a start on the labour market in the form of traineeships or jobs in solidarity-related areas within their respective Member State or across borders. Complementarity with existing Union level networks pertinent to the activities under the European Solidarity Corps, such as the European Network of Public Employment Services, EURES and the Eurodesk network, are also ensured. Furthermore, complementarity *and loyal cooperation* between *the* existing related schemes and the European Solidarity Corps should be *fostered, in particular with solidarity, volunteering, civic service and mobility schemes for young people, operating at national, regional or local level, as well as with priorities related to solidarity and youth in the participating countries, as appropriate, to mutually enhance and enrich the impact and qualities of such schemes and build upon* good practices. *The European Solidarity Corps should not substitute similar national solidarity, volunteering, civic service and mobility schemes. Equal access for all young people to national solidarity activities should be ensured. Partnerships with European networks which are specialised in certain urgent social problems should be encouraged.*

¹⁹ Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing

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‘Erasmus+’: the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Decisions No 1719/2006/EC, No 1720/2006/EC and No 1298/2008/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 50–73).

²⁰ Regulation (EU) No 375/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 establishing the European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps (‘EU Aid Volunteers initiative’) (OJ L 122, 24.4.2014, p. 1-17).

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Or. en

Amendment 25

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

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(7a) Member States shall ensure that the European Solidarity Corps does not become an instrument for hiding the unemployment figures for young Europeans.

Or. fr

Amendment 26

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

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(9) The European Solidarity Corps opens up new opportunities for young people to carry out volunteering, traineeship or job activities in solidarity-related areas as well as to devise and develop solidarity projects based on their own initiative. These opportunities

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contribute to enhancing their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development. The European Solidarity Corps also supports networking activities for European Solidarity Corps participants and organisations as well as measures to ensure the quality of the supported activities and to enhance the validation of their learning outcomes. It will thus also contribute to European cooperation relevant to young people and raising awareness of its positive impact.

help respond to unmet societal needs and contribute to strengthening communities while also contributing to enhancing their personal, educational, social, civic and professional development. The European Solidarity Corps also supports networking activities for European Solidarity Corps participants and organisations as well as measures to ensure the quality of the supported activities and to enhance the validation of their learning outcomes. It will thus also contribute to European cooperation relevant to young people and raising awareness of its positive impact. *It should also contribute to supporting and strengthening existing organisations that implement solidarity actions.*

Or. en

Amendment 27

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) These activities should be to the benefit of communities *while also fostering the individual's personal, educational, social, civic and professional development*, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships and jobs, projects or networking activities, developed in relation to different areas, such as education and training, employment, gender equality, entrepreneurship – in particular social entrepreneurship –, citizenship and democratic participation, environment and nature protection, climate action, disaster prevention, preparedness and recovery, agriculture and rural development, provision of food and non-food items, health and wellbeing, creativity and

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culture, physical education and sport, social assistance and welfare, reception and integration of third-country nationals, territorial cooperation and cohesion, and cooperation across borders. Such solidarity activities should include a solid learning and training dimension through relevant activities that can be offered to participants before, during and after the solidarity activity.

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Or. en

Amendment 28

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Or. fr

Amendment 29

Ádám Kósa

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Or. hu

Amendment 30
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

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Or. fr

Amendment 31
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) Volunteering activities (both within and beyond the Union) constitute a rich experience in a non-formal and informal learning context which enhances young people's personal, socio-educational and professional development, active citizenship and employability.

Volunteering activities should not have an adverse effect on potential or existing paid employment, nor should they be seen as a substitute for it. The Commission and the Member States should cooperate regarding volunteering policies in the youth field via the open method of coordination.

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Volunteering should be based on a written volunteering agreement and volunteering activities should not have an adverse effect on potential or existing paid employment, nor should they be seen as a substitute for it. The Commission and the Member States should cooperate regarding volunteering policies in the youth field via the open method of coordination.

Or. en

Amendment 32

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Amendment 33

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Or. hu

Amendment 34

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) Traineeships and jobs in solidarity-related **areas can offer additional opportunities for young people to make a start on the labour market while contributing to addressing key societal challenges. This** can help foster the employability **and productivity** of young people **while easing their transition from education to employment**, which is key to **enhancing their chances on** the labour market. **The traineeship activities** offered under the European Solidarity Corps

Amendment

(12) Traineeships and jobs **should be clearly separated from volunteering, both from a financial and organizational point of view. Traineeships should never lead to job substitution. Paid traineeships and jobs, however, can represent an incentive for disadvantaged young people and young people with fewer opportunities to participate** in solidarity-related **activities that they might not otherwise be able to access. Traineeships can ease the transition of young people from education**

follow the **quality** principles outlined in Council Recommendation on **establishing** a Quality Framework for Traineeships²¹. **The traineeships and jobs offered constitute a stepping stone for young people to enter the labour market and are accompanied by adequate post-activity support. The traineeship and job activities are facilitated by relevant labour market actors, in particular public and private employment services, social partners and Chambers of Commerce, and are remunerated by the participating organisation. As participating organisations, they should apply for funding via the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps in view of intermediating between the young participants and employers offering traineeship and job activities in solidarity sectors.**

²¹ Council Recommendation of 15 March 2018 on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (OJ C 153, 2.5.2018, p. 1).

to employment and can help foster the employability of young people, which is key to **achieving** their **sustainable integration into** the labour market. **Traineeships and jobs** offered under the European Solidarity Corps **should always be paid by the participating organisation hosting or employing the participant. Traineeships should be based on a written traineeship agreement in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework of the country where the traineeship takes place, as appropriate, and should follow the principles outlined in the Council Recommendation of 10 March 2014 on a Quality Framework for Traineeships²¹. Jobs should be based on an employment contract in accordance with the national regulatory framework or applicable collective agreements, or both, of the participating country where the job is being carried out. Financial support to participating organisations offering jobs should not exceed twelve months. Traineeships and jobs should be accompanied by adequate preparation, on-the-job training and post-placement support in relation to the participation of the participant. Traineeships and jobs could be facilitated by relevant labour market actors, in particular public and private employment services, social partners and Chambers of Commerce, as well as the member organisations of EURES, in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 2016/589 of the European Parliament and of the Council in the case of cross-border activities.**

²¹ Council Recommendation of 15 March 2018 on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (OJ C 153, 2.5.2018, p. 1).

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Amendment 36

Jasenko Selimovic, Nathalie Griesbeck, António Marinho e Pinto

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(12) ***Easily accessible*** traineeships and jobs in solidarity-related areas can offer additional opportunities for young people to make a start ***or carry on***, on the labour market while ***giving a clear European value in*** contributing to addressing ***unmet*** key societal challenges. This can help foster the employability and productivity of young people while easing their transition from education to employment, which is key to enhancing their chances on the labour market. The traineeship activities offered under the European Solidarity Corps follow the quality principles outlined in Council Recommendation on establishing a Quality Framework for Traineeships, ***always being paid and based in written agreement***²¹. The traineeships and jobs offered ***can*** constitute a stepping stone for young people to enter the labour market and are accompanied by adequate post-activity support. The traineeship and job activities are facilitated by relevant labour market actors, in particular public and private employment services, social partners and Chambers of Commerce, and are remunerated by the participating organisation. As participating organisations, they should apply for funding via the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps in view of intermediating between the young participants and employers offering traineeship and job activities in solidarity sectors.

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(12) Traineeships and jobs in solidarity-related areas can offer additional opportunities for young people to make a start on the labour market while contributing to addressing key **unmet** societal challenges **and to strengthening local communities**. This can help foster the employability, productivity **and personal development** of young people while easing their transition from education to employment, which is key to enhancing their chances on the labour market. The traineeship activities offered under the European Solidarity Corps follow the quality principles outlined in Council Recommendation on establishing a Quality Framework for Traineeships²¹. The traineeships and jobs offered constitute a stepping stone for young people to enter the labour market and are accompanied by adequate post-activity support. The traineeship and job activities are facilitated by relevant labour market actors, in particular public and private employment services, social partners and Chambers of Commerce, and are remunerated by the participating organisation. As participating organisations, they should apply for funding via the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps in view of intermediating between the young participants and employers offering traineeship and job activities in solidarity

sectors.

²¹ Council Recommendation of 15 March 2018 on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (OJ C 153, 2.5.2018, p. 1).

²¹ Council Recommendation of 15 March 2018 on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (OJ C 153, 2.5.2018, p. 1).

Or. en

Amendment 38

Jasenko Selimovic, Nathalie Griesbeck, António Marinho e Pinto

Proposal for a regulation Recital 12 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(12a) Efforts should be made to ensure that traineeships and jobs are opened to talented and competent youth, in particular to young people with fewer opportunities to participate in solidarity-related activities, including those with disabilities, social or cultural disadvantages, migrants and residents in isolated rural areas and the outermost regions of the EU.

Or. en

Amendment 39

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13) Young people's spirit of initiative is an important asset for society and for the labour market. The European Solidarity Corps contributes to fostering this aspect by offering young people the opportunity to devise and implement their own projects

(13) Young people's spirit of initiative ***and their active citizenship*** is an important asset for society and for the labour market. The European Solidarity Corps contributes to fostering this aspect by offering young people the opportunity to devise and

aimed at addressing specific challenges to the benefit of their local communities. ***These projects are an opportunity to try out ideas and support young people to be themselves drivers of solidarity actions.*** They also serve as a springboard for further engagement in solidarity activities and ***are*** a first step towards encouraging ***European Solidarity Corps*** participants to engage in ***self-employment or setting up*** associations, non-governmental organisations or other bodies active in the solidarity, non-profit and youth sectors.

implement their own projects aimed at addressing specific challenges to the benefit of their local communities. ***Those projects should be an opportunity for young people to develop innovative solutions and try out ideas in a sustainable way and to experience being the drivers of solidarity actions.*** They ***could*** also serve as a springboard for further engagement in solidarity activities and ***could be*** a first step towards encouraging participants to engage in ***social entrepreneurship or as volunteers in*** associations, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), youth organisations or other bodies active in the solidarity, non-profit and youth sectors ***and the setting up of their own associations.*** ***Post-placement support will aim to support young people in remaining engaged and active in the solidarity sector, including through involvement with associations, cooperatives, social enterprises, youth organisations and community centres.***

Or. en

Amendment 40

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

(13) Young people's spirit of initiative is an important asset for society and for the labour market. The European Solidarity Corps contributes to fostering this aspect by offering young people the opportunity to devise and implement their own projects aimed at addressing specific challenges to the benefit of their local communities. These projects are an opportunity to try out ideas and support young people to be themselves drivers of solidarity actions.

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Or. hu

Amendment 41

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Young people and organisations participating in the European Solidarity Corps should feel that they belong to a community of individuals and entities committed to enhancing solidarity across Europe. At the same time, participating organisations need support to strengthen their capacities to offer good quality activities to an increasing number of participants. The European Solidarity Corps supports networking activities aimed at strengthening young people and participating organisations' engagement in this community, at fostering a European Solidarity Corps spirit, as well as at encouraging the exchange of ***useful*** practices and experience. These activities also contribute to raising awareness about the European Solidarity Corps among public and private actors as well as to collect feedback from participants and participating organisations on the implementation of the European Solidarity Corps.

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Or. en

Amendment 42

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Particular attention should be **given** to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and **post-activity** support **to participants** as well as **the** validation of the **knowledge, skills and** competences acquired **through** their European Solidarity Corps experience. **Security and safety of the volunteers remain of paramount importance and volunteers should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts.**

Amendment

(15) Particular attention should be **paid** to ensuring the quality of the **solidarity** activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering **participants online and offline** training **and** language support **in a way that respects the principle of multilingualism**, insurance, administrative support and support **before the solidarity activity, after the solidarity activity, or both**, as well as **a** validation of the competences acquired **during** their European Solidarity Corps experience. **Those support measures should be developed and provided in collaboration with youth organisations and other non-profit and civil society organisations in order to tap into their expertise on the field. Those support measures should take into account the environment and the nature of activities carried out by participants, with special attention to any potential risks.**

Or. en

Amendment 43

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

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European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience, **language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants, ensuring that this support does not become an additional social security benefit aimed at replacing or adding to unemployment benefits.** Security and safety of the volunteers remain of paramount importance and volunteers should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts.

Or. fr

Amendment 44 **Deirdre Clune**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 15**

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience. Security and safety of the volunteers remain of paramount importance and volunteers should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts.

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(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience. Security and safety of the volunteers **and their intended beneficiaries, in particular where this concerns children and persons in vulnerable situations,** remain of paramount importance and volunteers should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts, **nor to facilities that contravene international**

Amendment 45
Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience. Security and safety of the **volunteers** remain of paramount importance and **volunteers** should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts.

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(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience. Security and safety of the **participants, in particular where it concerns persons in vulnerable situations and children**, remain of paramount importance and **participants** should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts, ***nor to facilities that contravene international human rights standards or EU policy, such as the commitment to end the institutionalisation of children and measures prohibiting ESIF to maintain residential institutions^{1a}.***

^{1a} ***Ex-ante conditionality on social inclusion in the Regulation 1303/2013 on the European and Structural Funds includes measures that effectively prohibit the use of ESIF to maintain, renovate or reconstruct residential institutions.***

Amendment 46
Theodoros Zagorakis

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience. Security and safety of the volunteers remain of paramount importance and volunteers should not be deployed to operations conducted in the theatre of international and non-international armed conflicts.

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Or. en

Amendment 47
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Particular attention should be given to ensuring the quality of the activities and other opportunities offered under the European Solidarity Corps, in particular by offering training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience.

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Or. en

Amendment 48
Theodoros Zagorakis

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(15a) In the case of placements involving children, only volunteers who have directly relevant qualifications and skills should ever have direct contact with children, and they should complete child protection training and vetting procedures in advance of their placement. During their placement, appropriate safeguarding policies and procedures should be in place to protect children and volunteers, and the latter should be the subject of on-going supervision to ensure that child protection policies are being effectively implemented.

Or. en

Amendment 49
Deirdre Clune

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 50
Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(15a) In the case of placements involving children participants should complete child protection training and vetting procedures in advance of their placement. During the placement, appropriate safeguarding policies, procedures and supervision must be in place to protect children.

Or. en

Amendment 51
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(16) To ensure the impact of European Solidarity Corps activities on the personal, educational, social, civic and professional

(16) To ensure the impact of European Solidarity Corps activities on the personal, educational, social, civic and professional

development of the participants, the knowledge, skills and competences that are the learning outcomes of the activity should be properly identified and documented, in accordance with national circumstances and specificities, as recommended in Council Recommendation of 20 December 2012 on the validation of non-formal and informal learning²².

²² Council Recommendation of 20 December 2012 on the validation of non-formal and informal learning (OJ C 398, 22.12.2012, p. 1–5).

development of the participants, the knowledge, skills and competences that are the learning outcomes of the activity should be properly identified and documented, in accordance with national circumstances and specificities, as recommended in Council Recommendation of 20 December 2012 on the validation of non-formal and informal learning²². ***To that end, the use of effective instruments at Union and national level for the recognition of non-formal and informal learning, such as Youthpass and Europass should be encouraged, as appropriate.***

²² Council Recommendation of 20 December 2012 on the validation of non-formal and informal learning (OJ C 398, 22.12.2012, p. 1–5).

Or. en

Amendment 52

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) A quality label should ensure compliance of the participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps, as regards their rights and responsibilities during all stages of the solidarity experience. Obtaining a quality label **is** a precondition for participation but should not automatically lead to funding under the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

(17) A quality label should ensure compliance of the participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps. ***Separate quality labels should be put in place for volunteering and for traineeships and jobs to ensure the effective and continuous compliance of participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps*** as regards their rights and responsibilities during all stages of the solidarity experience. Obtaining a quality label ***should be*** a precondition for participation but should not automatically

lead to funding under the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. en

Amendment 53

Jasenko Selimovic, António Marinho e Pinto, Nathalie Griesbeck

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) A quality label should ensure compliance of the participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps, as regards their rights and responsibilities during all stages of the solidarity experience. Obtaining a quality label is a precondition for participation but should not automatically lead to funding under the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

(17) A quality label should ensure compliance of the participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps, as regards their rights and responsibilities during all stages of the solidarity experience. Obtaining a quality label is a precondition for participation but should not automatically lead to funding under the European Solidarity Corps.

Separate quality labels should be put in place for volunteering and for traineeships and jobs, taking into consideration the specific characteristics of each component.

The process that leads to attribution of a quality label should not create additional bureaucracy that would dissuade organisations and private businesses from contributions to the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. en

Amendment 54

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) A quality label should ensure compliance of the participating organisations with the principles and requirements of the European Solidarity Corps, as regards their rights and responsibilities during all stages of the solidarity experience. Obtaining a quality label is a precondition for participation but should not automatically lead to funding under the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 55

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

(18) Any entity willing to participate in the European Solidarity Corps should receive a quality label provided that the appropriate conditions are fulfilled. The process that leads to the attribution of a quality label should be carried out on a continuous basis by the implementing bodies of the European Solidarity Corps. The attributed quality label should be reassessed periodically and could be revoked if, in the context of the checks to be performed, the conditions that led to its attribution were found to be no longer fulfilled.

Amendment

(18) Any entity willing to participate in the European Solidarity Corps should receive a quality label provided that the appropriate conditions are fulfilled. The process that leads to the attribution of a quality label should be carried out on a continuous basis by the implementing bodies of the European Solidarity Corps. The attributed quality label should be reassessed periodically and could be revoked if, in the context of the checks to be performed, the conditions that led to its attribution were found to be no longer fulfilled. ***In the event of serious deficiencies, the sums paid will have to be paid back.***

Or. fr

Amendment 56

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 23

Text proposed by the Commission

(23) The European Solidarity Corps Portal should be continuously developed in order to ensure easy access to the European Solidarity Corps and to provide a one-stop shop for both interested individuals and organisations as regards, inter alia, registration, identification and matching of profiles and opportunities, networking and virtual exchanges, online training, language and post-activity support as well as other useful functionalities, which may arise in the future.

Amendment

(23) The European Solidarity Corps Portal should be continuously developed in order to ensure easy access – ***which should be barrier-free for people with disabilities*** – to the European Solidarity Corps, and to provide a one-stop shop for both interested individuals and organisations as regards, inter alia, registration, identification and matching of profiles and opportunities, networking and virtual exchanges, online training, language and post-activity support as well as other useful functionalities, which may arise in the future.

Or. hu

Amendment 57

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 23 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(23a) The Head of the European Union Delegation shall be responsible for security risk control measures and the information on the European Solidarity Corps portal concerning the security situation in a third country making it dangerous to send volunteers.

Or. fr

Amendment 58
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24a) It is essential for the good functioning of the programme and the timely deployment of the actions that mechanisms are put in place within the European Solidarity Corps work programmes to guarantee that offers are presented to registered young people within a reasonable and relatively predictable amount of time. Periodic information and updates on available placements and actively involved participating organisations should therefore be sent to registered individual in order to stimulate their engagement with the European Solidarity Corps after their registration, while also offering them the opportunity to directly get in touch with the actors involved in the field of solidarity at both national and European level.

Or. en

Amendment 59
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 27

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(27) The European Solidarity Corps targets young people aged 18-~~30~~, and participation in the activities offered by the European Solidarity Corps should require prior registration in the European Solidarity Corps Portal.

(27) The European Solidarity Corps targets young people aged 18-~~25~~ ***with no criminal record***, and participation in the activities offered by the European Solidarity Corps should require prior registration in the European Solidarity Corps Portal.

Amendment 60

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young **people**, notably the most disadvantaged ones. Special measures should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories. ***Similarly, the participating countries should endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures to remove legal and administrative obstacles to the proper functioning of the European Solidarity Corps. This should resolve, where possible, and without prejudice to the Schengen acquis and Union law on the entry and residence of third-country nationals, administrative issues that create difficulties in obtaining visas and residence permits, as well as the issuing of a European Health Insurance Card in the case of cross-border activities within the European Union.***

Amendment

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young **Europeans**, notably the most disadvantaged ones. Special measures should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories.

Amendment 61

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 28

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young people, ***notably the most disadvantaged ones***. Special measures should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories. Similarly, the participating countries should endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures to remove legal and administrative obstacles to the proper functioning of the European Solidarity Corps. This should resolve, where possible, and without prejudice to the Schengen acquis and Union law on the entry and residence of third-country nationals, administrative issues that create difficulties in obtaining visas and residence permits, as well as the issuing of a European Health Insurance Card in the case of cross-border activities within the European Union.

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young people, ***in particular young people with fewer opportunities as further detailed in the Inclusion and Diversity Strategy developed and applied within the framework of the Erasmus+ programme in the youth field***. Special measures, ***such as appropriate formats of solidarity activities and personalised guidance***, should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories. Similarly, the participating countries should endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures to remove legal and administrative obstacles to the proper functioning of the European Solidarity Corps. This should resolve, where possible, and without prejudice to the Schengen acquis and Union law on the entry and residence of third-country nationals, administrative issues that create difficulties in obtaining visas and residence permits, as well as the issuing of a European Health Insurance Card in the case of cross-border activities within the European Union.

Or. en

Amendment 62

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young people, notably the most disadvantaged ones. Special measures should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories. Similarly, the participating countries should endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures to remove legal and administrative obstacles to the proper functioning of the European Solidarity Corps. This should resolve, where possible, and without prejudice to the Schengen acquis and Union law on the entry and residence of third-country nationals, administrative issues that create difficulties in obtaining visas and residence permits, as well as the issuing of a European Health Insurance Card in the case of cross-border activities within the European Union.

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(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young people, notably the most disadvantaged ones. Special measures should be in place to promote social inclusion, the participation of disadvantaged young people **and young persons with disabilities**, as well as to take into account the constraints imposed by the remoteness of a number of rural areas and of the outermost regions of the Union and the Overseas Countries and Territories. Similarly, the participating countries should endeavour to adopt all appropriate measures to remove legal and administrative obstacles to the proper functioning of the European Solidarity Corps. This should resolve, where possible, and without prejudice to the Schengen acquis and Union law on the entry and residence of third-country nationals, administrative issues that create difficulties in obtaining visas and residence permits, as well as the issuing of a European Health Insurance Card in the case of cross-border activities within the European Union.

Or. en

Amendment 63

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Special attention should be given to ensuring that the activities supported by the European Solidarity Corps are accessible to all young people, notably the most disadvantaged ones. Special measures should be in place to promote social

Amendment

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Or. hu

Amendment 64

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

(29) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Programme will contribute to mainstream climate action and to the achievement of an overall target of 25 % of the Union budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Programme's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and

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deleted

review processes.

Or. fr

Amendment 65

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 33

Text proposed by the Commission

(33) In order to maximise the impact of the European Solidarity Corps, provisions should be made to allow participating countries and other Union programmes to make additional funding available in accordance with the rules of the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

(33) In order to maximise the impact of the European Solidarity Corps, provisions should be made to allow participating **European** countries and other Union programmes to make additional **capped** funding available in accordance with the rules of the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. fr

Amendment 66

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) In order to better achieve the objectives of the Programme, the Commission, Member States and national agencies should preferably work closely together in partnership with non-governmental organisations, youth organisations and local stakeholders having expertise in solidarity actions.

Amendment

(39) In order to better achieve the objectives of the Programme, the Commission, Member States and national agencies should preferably work closely together in partnership with non-governmental organisations, youth organisations, **organisations representing people with disabilities**, and local stakeholders having expertise in solidarity actions.

Or. hu

Amendment 67
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) In order to better achieve the objectives of the Programme, the Commission, Member States and national agencies should *preferably* work closely together in partnership with non-governmental organisations, youth organisations and local stakeholders having expertise in solidarity actions.

Amendment

(39) In order to better achieve the objectives of the Programme, the Commission, Member States and national agencies should work closely together in partnership with non-governmental organisations, youth organisations and local stakeholders having expertise in solidarity actions.

Or. en

Amendment 68
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 40

Text proposed by the Commission

(40) In order to ensure greater efficiency in communication to the public at large and stronger synergies between the communication activities undertaken at the initiative of the Commission, the resources allocated to communication under this Regulation should also contribute to covering the corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union, provided that these are related to the general objective of this Regulation.

Amendment

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 40

Text proposed by the Commission

(40) In order to ensure greater efficiency in communication to the public at large and stronger synergies between the communication activities undertaken at the initiative of the Commission, the resources allocated to communication under this Regulation should also contribute to covering the corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union, provided that these are related to the general objective of this Regulation.

Amendment

(40) In order to ensure greater efficiency in communication to the public at large and stronger synergies between the communication activities undertaken at the initiative of the Commission, the resources allocated to communication under this Regulation should also contribute to covering the corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union ***in a barrier-free way***, provided that these are related to the general objective of this Regulation.

Or. hu

Amendment 70
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 46

Text proposed by the Commission

(46) In order to simplify requirements for beneficiaries, simplified grants in the form of lump-sums, unit-costs and flat-rate funding should be used to the maximum possible extent. The simplified grants to support the mobility actions of the Programme, as defined by the Commission, should take into account the living and subsistence costs of the host country. In accordance with national law, Member States should also be encouraged to exempt those grants from any taxes and social levies. The same exemption should apply to public or private entities awarding such financial support to the individuals concerned.

Amendment

(46) In order to simplify requirements for beneficiaries, simplified grants in the form of lump-sums, unit-costs and flat-rate funding should be used to the maximum possible extent. The simplified grants to support the mobility actions of the Programme, as defined by the Commission, should take into account the living and subsistence costs of the host country, ***while ensuring that this simplification does not lead to a risk of funds being misused or misappropriated.*** In accordance with national law, Member States should also be encouraged to exempt those grants from any taxes and social levies. The same exemption should apply to public or private entities awarding such financial support to the individuals concerned.

Amendment 71
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 50

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(50) Since the objective of this Regulation, namely to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States but can rather, by reason of its scale and effects, be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality, as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve those objectives.

deleted

Amendment 72
Deirdre Clune

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those

referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value and compliance with health and safety regulations;

referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value and compliance with health and safety regulations, ***and does not include activities that contravene international human rights standards and/or EU policy;***

Or. en

Amendment 73

Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value ***and*** compliance with health and safety regulations;

Amendment

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value, compliance with health and safety regulations ***and includes activities in line with international human right standards and EU policy, such as the commitment to end the institutionalisation of children and persons with disabilities.***

Or. en

Amendment 74

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to

Amendment

(1) ‘solidarity activity’ means a high-quality temporary activity contributing to

the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value and compliance with health and safety regulations;

the achievement of the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, which may take the form of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, solidarity projects and networking activities in various fields, including those referred to in paragraph 13, ensuring the European added value and compliance with health and safety regulations, ***and taking place in the European Union;***

Or. fr

Amendment 75

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) ‘registered candidate’ means an individual aged between 17 and **30** years and who has registered in the European Solidarity Corps Portal to express the interest to engage in a solidarity activity but is not yet participating in such activity;

Amendment

(2) ‘registered candidate’ means an individual aged between 17 and **25** years, ***with no criminal record***, and who has registered in the European Solidarity Corps Portal to express the interest to engage in a solidarity activity but is not yet participating in such activity;

Or. fr

Amendment 76

Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) ‘young people with fewer opportunities’ means young people facing some obstacles that prevent them from having effective access to opportunities under the Programme for economic, social, cultural, geographical or health reasons or for reasons such as disabilities ***and***

Amendment

(4) ‘young people with fewer opportunities’ means young people facing some obstacles that prevent them from having effective access to opportunities under the Programme for economic, social, cultural, geographical or health reasons or for reasons such as disabilities, educational

educational difficulties;

difficulties *or having grown up in institutionalised care*;

Or. en

Amendment 77

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) ‘participating organisation’ means any public or private entity, whether local, regional, national or **international**, that has been attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label;

Amendment

(5) ‘participating organisation’ means any **European** public or private entity, whether local, regional, national or **European**, that has been attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label;

Or. fr

Amendment 78

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) ‘participating organisation’ means any public or private entity, whether local, regional, national or international, that has been attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label;

Amendment

(5) ‘participating organisation’ means any public or private entity, whether local, regional, national or international, that has been attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label ***which ensures that this entity is able to implement the solidarity activities in accordance with the objectives of the European Solidarity Corps, and that offers a volunteering, traineeship or job opportunity to a participant or implements and supports other activities in the framework of the European Solidarity Corps***;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **two** to six months, **renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months**, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **one** to six months that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. fr

Amendment 80
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **two** to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity **that takes the form of work practice** for a period from **three** to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Jean Lambert
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity for a period from two to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a ***paid*** solidarity activity for a period from two to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant ***and that involves a learning component;***

Or. en

Amendment 82

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a solidarity activity for a period from two to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(7) ‘traineeship’ means a ***paid*** solidarity activity for a period from two to six months, renewable once and for a maximum duration of 12 months, that is offered and paid by the participating organisation hosting the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. en

Amendment 83

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from 2 to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(8) ‘job’ means a ***paid*** solidarity activity for a period from 3 to 12 months, ***that is offered and*** paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant, ***not***

replacing or substituting for an existing employment opportunity.

Or. en

Amendment 84

Jasenکو Selimovic, Nathalie Griesbeck, António Marinho e Pinto

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from 2 to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from 3 to 12 months, ***which include a learning and training component, is based on a written agreement and*** paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. en

Amendment 85

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) ‘job’ means ***a*** solidarity activity for a period from 2 to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(8) ‘job’ means ***decently paid*** solidarity activity for a period from 2 to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant ***including a specific learning component;***

Or. en

Amendment 86

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **2 to 12** months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **three to twelve** months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. en

Amendment 87

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 8

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **2** to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Amendment

(8) ‘job’ means a solidarity activity for a period from **3** to 12 months, paid by the participating organisation employing the European Solidarity Corps participant;

Or. fr

Amendment 88

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) ‘solidarity project’ means an unpaid in-country solidarity activity for a period of up to 12 months, carried out by groups of at least five European Solidarity Corps participants, with a view to addressing key challenges within their communities **while presenting a clear European added value;**

Amendment

(9) ‘solidarity project’ means an unpaid in-country solidarity activity for a period of up to 12 months, carried out by groups of at least five European Solidarity Corps participants, with a view to addressing key challenges within their **national** communities;

Amendment 89

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) ‘solidarity project’ means an unpaid in-country solidarity activity for a period of up to **12** months, carried out by groups of at least five European Solidarity Corps participants, with a view to addressing key challenges within their communities while presenting a clear European added value;

Amendment

(9) ‘solidarity project’ means an unpaid in-country solidarity activity for a period of up to **twelve** months, carried out by groups of at least five European Solidarity Corps participants, with a view to addressing key challenges within their communities while presenting a clear European added value;

Or. en

Amendment 90

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) ‘quality label’ means the certification attributed to **a participating** organisation willing to provide solidarity activities **under** the European Solidarity Corps, **in the role of a host and/or in a support** function;

Amendment

(10) “quality label” means the certification attributed to **an** organisation willing to provide solidarity activities, **either in a host function, or in a supporting function, including a sending function, or both, that certifies that the organisation is able to ensure the quality of solidarity activities in accordance with the principles and objectives of the** European Solidarity Corps, **and that is attributed according to varying specific requirements depending on the type of solidarity activity and the function of the** organisation;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Robert Rochefort

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) ‘quality label’ means the certification attributed to a participating organisation willing to provide solidarity activities under the European Solidarity Corps, in the role of a host and/or in a support function;

Amendment

(10) ‘quality label’ means the certification attributed to a participating organisation willing to provide solidarity activities under the European Solidarity Corps, in the role of a host and/or in a support function ***and which attests that the organisation is able to provide high-quality solidarity activities in line with the principles and objectives of the European Solidarity Corps;***

Or. fr

Amendment 92
Jasenko Selimovic, Nathalie Griesbeck, António Marinho e Pinto

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) ‘quality label’ means the certification attributed to a participating organisation willing to provide solidarity activities under the European Solidarity Corps, in the role of a host and/or in a support function;

Amendment

(10) ‘quality label’ means the certification attributed to a participating organisation willing to provide solidarity activities under the European Solidarity Corps, in the role of a host and/or in a support function;
Separate quality labels shall be put in place for volunteering and for traineeships and jobs.

Or. en

Amendment 93
Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 13

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13) ‘humanitarian aid activity’ means an activity supporting humanitarian aid operations in third countries intended to provide needs-based emergency assistance aimed at preserving life, preventing and alleviating human suffering, and maintaining human dignity in the face of man-made crises or natural disasters, including assistance, relief and protection operations in humanitarian crises or their immediate aftermath, supporting measures to ensure access to people in need and to facilitate the free flow of assistance, as well as actions aimed at reinforcing disaster preparedness and disaster risk reduction, linking relief, rehabilitation and development, and contributing towards strengthening resilience and capacity to cope with, and recover from crises;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 94

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 13

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13) ‘humanitarian aid activity’ means an activity supporting humanitarian aid operations in *third* countries intended to provide needs-based emergency assistance aimed at preserving life, preventing and alleviating human suffering, and maintaining human dignity in the face of man-made crises or natural disasters, including assistance, relief and protection

(13) ‘humanitarian aid activity’ means an activity supporting humanitarian aid operations in *European* countries intended to provide needs-based emergency assistance aimed at preserving life, preventing and alleviating human suffering, and maintaining human dignity in the face of man-made crises or natural disasters, including assistance, relief and

operations in humanitarian crises or their immediate aftermath, supporting measures to ensure access to people in need and to facilitate the free flow of assistance, as well as actions aimed at reinforcing disaster preparedness and disaster risk reduction, linking relief, rehabilitation and development, and contributing towards strengthening resilience and capacity to cope with, and recover from crises;

protection operations in humanitarian crises or their immediate aftermath, supporting measures to ensure access to people in need and to facilitate the free flow of assistance, as well as actions aimed at reinforcing disaster preparedness and disaster risk reduction, linking relief, rehabilitation and development, and contributing towards strengthening resilience and capacity to cope with, and recover from crises;

Or. fr

Amendment 95

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 15

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(15) ‘third country associated to the programme’ means a third country which is party to an agreement with the Union allowing for its participation in the Programme and which fulfils all the obligations laid down in this Regulation in relation to Member States;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 96

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Programme is to **enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities as a means to** contribute to

1. The general objective of the Programme is to contribute to **the** strengthening **of** cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, **to support communities and respond to**

strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, **addressing** societal and humanitarian challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

societal and humanitarian challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion, ***by enhancing the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities.***

Or. en

Amendment 97

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the Programme is to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities as a means to contribute to strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, addressing societal **and humanitarian** challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Programme is to ***promote solidarity; it shall*** enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities as a means to contribute to strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, addressing societal challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion ***and democratic participation.***

Or. en

Amendment 98

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The general objective of the Programme is to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities as a means to contribute to

Amendment

(1) The general objective of the Programme is to enhance the engagement of young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities as a means to contribute to ***social***

strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, addressing societal and humanitarian challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

inclusion, strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, addressing societal and humanitarian challenges on the ground, with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

Or. hu

Amendment 99

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The specific objective of the Programme is to provide young people, including those with fewer opportunities, with easily accessible opportunities for engagement in solidarity activities in Europe and abroad while improving and properly validating their competences as well as facilitating their employability and transition into the labour market.

Amendment

(2) The specific objective of the Programme is to provide young people, including those with fewer opportunities, with easily accessible opportunities for engagement in solidarity activities in Europe and abroad while improving and properly validating their competences ***and developing their capabilities***, as well as facilitating their employability and transition into the labour market.

Or. hu

Amendment 100

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The specific objective of the Programme is to provide young people, including those with fewer opportunities, with easily accessible opportunities for engagement in solidarity activities in Europe ***and abroad*** while improving and properly validating their competences as

Amendment

2. The specific objective of the Programme is to provide young people, including those with fewer opportunities, with easily accessible opportunities for engagement in solidarity activities in Europe while improving and properly validating their competences as well as

well as facilitating their employability and transition into the labour market.

facilitating their employability and transition into the labour market.

Or. fr

Amendment 101

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) *participation of young people in* solidarity activities addressing societal challenges, as referred to in Article 6;

Amendment

(a) solidarity activities addressing societal challenges, as referred to in Article 6;

Or. en

Amendment 102

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) *participation of young people in humanitarian aid related solidarity activities (European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps) as referred to in Article 10.*

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 103

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) ***participation of young people in humanitarian aid related solidarity activities*** (European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps) as referred to in Article 10.

Amendment

(b) European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps, as referred to in Article 10.

Or. en

Amendment 104

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) volunteering, as referred to in Articles 7 ***and 11***;

Amendment

(a) volunteering, as referred to in Articles 7;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) traineeships and jobs, as referred to in Article 8;

Amendment

(b) ***high quality*** traineeships and jobs, as referred to in Article 8;

Or. en

Amendment 106

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) their approach to involve young people from different backgrounds;

(d) their approach to involve young people from different backgrounds, ***including those with disabilities***;

Or. hu

Amendment 107

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) their ***approach*** to involve young people from different backgrounds;

(d) their ***inclusiveness and their effective ability*** to involve young people from different backgrounds;

Or. en

Amendment 108

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) ***reinforcing the capacities of the participating organisations to offer good quality projects to an increasing number of European Solidarity Corps participants***;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 109

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) reinforcing the capacities of the participating organisations to offer **good quality** projects to an increasing number of European Solidarity Corps participants;

Amendment

(a) reinforcing the capacities of the participating organisations to offer **high-quality** projects to an increasing number of European Solidarity Corps participants;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) attracting newcomers, both young people and participating organisations;

Amendment

(b) attracting newcomers, both young people and participating organisations, **including young people with disabilities and organisations which represent people with disabilities**;

Or. hu

Amendment 111
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) providing **opportunities to give feedback** on solidarity activities; and

Amendment

(c) providing **feedbacks** on solidarity activities; and

Or. en

Amendment 112
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships **or** jobs, including training, language support, complementary insurance, support before **or** after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass **that identifies and documents** the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Amendment

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality **and accessibility** of volunteering, traineeships, jobs, **or solidarity projects and equal opportunities for all young people across participating countries** including **offline and online** training, language support, **administrative support for participants and participating organisations**, complementary insurance, support before **and, where necessary**, after the solidarity activity, as well as the further use of Youthpass **to identify and document** the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Amendment

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, **child protection and safeguarding training and background checks for participants working with children**, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Amendment 114
Theodoros Zagorakis

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Amendment

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, ***child protection and safeguarding training and background checks for volunteers working with children***, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Deirdre Clune

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating

Amendment

(a) measures aimed at ensuring the quality of volunteering, traineeships or jobs, including training, language support, ***child protection and safeguarding training and background checks for volunteers working with children***, complementary insurance, support before or after the solidarity activity as well as the further use of Youthpass that identifies and documents the competences acquired

organisations;

during the solidarity activities for participants, and capacity building and, administrative support for participating organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 116

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the development and maintenance of **a** quality **label** for entities willing to provide **solidarity activities** for the European Solidarity Corps;

Amendment

(b) the development and maintenance of **separate** quality **labels** for entities willing to provide **respectively volunteering or traineeships and jobs** for the European Solidarity Corps **in order to ensure compliance with the principles and requirements of the Programme**;

Or. en

Amendment 117

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) the establishment, maintenance and updating of the European Solidarity Corps Portal and other relevant online services as well as the necessary IT support systems and web-based tools.

Amendment

(d) the establishment, maintenance and updating of the **multilingual** European Solidarity Corps Portal and other relevant online services as well as the necessary IT support systems and web-based tools.

Or. en

Amendment 118
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Chapter 3 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

PARTICIPATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE
IN SOLIDARITY ACTIVITIES
ADDRESSING SOCIETAL
CHALLENGES

Amendment

SOLIDARITY ACTIVITIES
ADDRESSING SOCIETAL
CHALLENGES

Or. en

Amendment 119
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Actions implemented under the strand '***Participation of young people in*** solidarity activities addressing societal challenges' shall in particular contribute to strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, while also responding to societal challenges with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

Amendment

1. Actions implemented under the strand 'Solidarity activities addressing societal challenges' shall in particular contribute to strengthening cohesion, solidarity and democracy in the Union and abroad, while also responding to societal challenges with particular effort to promote social inclusion.

Or. en

Amendment 120
Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) traineeships and jobs, as referred to in Article 8;

Amendment

(b) ***high quality*** traineeships and jobs, as referred to in Article 8;

Amendment 121**Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė****Proposal for a regulation****Article 7 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

1. Volunteering as referred to in Article 4.1, point (a) shall include a learning and training component, shall not substitute traineeships or jobs, shall not be equated with employment and shall be based on a written volunteering agreement.

Amendment

1. Volunteering as referred to in Article 4.1, point (a) ***shall provide young people with the opportunity to contribute to the daily work of organisations in solidarity activities to the ultimate benefit of the communities within which the activities are carried out;*** shall include a learning and training component, shall not substitute traineeships or jobs, shall not be equated with employment and shall be based on a written volunteering agreement.

Amendment 122**Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė****Proposal for a regulation****Article 8 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

1. A traineeship as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall be based on a written traineeship agreement in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework of the country where the traineeship takes place, as appropriate, and taking into account the principles of the Quality Framework for Traineeships (2014/C 88/01). Traineeships shall not substitute jobs.

Amendment

1. A traineeship as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall be based on a written traineeship agreement ***concluded at the beginning of the traineeship*** in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework of the country where the traineeship takes place, as appropriate, ***indicating the educational objectives, the working conditions, the duration of the traineeship, the remuneration of the participant and the rights and obligations of the parties*** and taking into account the principles of the Quality Framework for

Traineeships (2014/C 88/01); Traineeships shall not substitute jobs;

Or. en

Amendment 123

Jasenko Selimovic, Nathalie Griesbeck, António Marinho e Pinto

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. A traineeship as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall be based on a written traineeship agreement in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework of the country where the traineeship takes place, as appropriate, and taking into account the principles of the Quality Framework for Traineeships (2014/C 88/01). Traineeships shall not substitute jobs.

Amendment

1. A traineeship as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall ***always be paid and*** be based on a written traineeship agreement in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework of the country where the traineeship takes place, as appropriate, and taking into account the principles of the Quality Framework for Traineeships (2014/C 88/01). Traineeships shall not substitute jobs.

Or. en

Amendment 124

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. A job as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall be based on ***an*** employment contract in ***accordance with*** the national ***regulatory framework*** of the ***participating*** country ***where*** the job is being carried out. The financial support to participating organisations offering jobs shall not exceed ***12*** months in cases when the duration of the employment contract exceeds ***12*** months.

Amendment

2. A job as referred to in Article 4.1, point (b) shall be based on ***a written*** employment contract ***which respects all the terms and conditions of employment as defined*** in the national ***law, applicable collective agreements, or both,*** of the country ***in which*** the job is being carried out. The financial support to participating organisations offering jobs shall not exceed ***twelve*** months in cases when the duration of the employment contract exceeds ***twelve***

months.

Or. en

Amendment 125

Lynn Boylan

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Traineeships and jobs shall include a learning and training component.

Amendment

3. Traineeships and jobs shall include a learning and training component, ***including online training, language support, insurance, administrative and post-activity support to participants, as well as the validation of the knowledge, skills and competences acquired through their European Solidarity Corps experience.***

Or. en

Amendment 126

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Traineeships and jobs shall include a learning and training component.

Amendment

3. Traineeships and jobs shall include a learning and training component ***to help the participant gain relevant experience with a view to developing competences useful for the participants' personal, educational, social, civic and professional development;***

Or. en

Amendment 127

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 10

deleted

Purpose and types of actions

1. Actions implemented under the strand ‘European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps’ shall in particular contribute to providing needs-based humanitarian aid aimed at preserving life, preventing and alleviating human suffering and maintaining human dignity and to strengthening the capacity and resilience of vulnerable or disaster-affected communities.

2. The actions under this Chapter shall be carried out in compliance with the humanitarian aid principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence.

3. The strand shall support activities as referred to in Article 4.1, in points (a), (d), and (e) in the following ways:

(a) volunteering, as referred to in Article 11;

(b) networking activities for individuals and organisations participating in this strand in accordance with Article 5;

(c) quality and support measures in accordance with Article 5 with particular focus on measures to ensure safety and security of participants.

Or. en

Amendment 128

Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The actions under this Chapter shall be carried out in compliance with the humanitarian aid principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence.

Amendment

2. The actions under this Chapter shall be carried out in compliance with the humanitarian aid principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence, ***as well as the “do no harm” principle^{1a}***

^{1a} As set out in the European Consensus on Humanitarian Aid stating that environmental and other longer-term considerations must be taken into account.

Or. en

Amendment 129
Deirdre Clune

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The actions under this Chapter shall be carried out in compliance with the humanitarian aid principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence.

Amendment

2. The actions under this Chapter shall be carried out in compliance with the humanitarian aid principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence, ***as well as the “do no harm” principle.***

Or. en

Amendment 130
Jean Lambert
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 11

deleted

Volunteering in support of humanitarian aid operations

1. Volunteering in support of humanitarian aid operations as referred to in Article 4.1, point (a) shall include a learning and training component, shall not substitute traineeships or jobs and shall be based on a written volunteering agreement.

2. Volunteering under this strand may only take place in third countries:

(a) where humanitarian aid activities and operations take place; and

(b) where there are no ongoing international or non-international armed conflicts.

Or. en

**Amendment 131
Robert Rochefort**

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) where the health and safety of participants can be assured.

Or. fr

**Amendment 132
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė**

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 12 – paragraph 1 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. The financial support to solidarity activities referred to in Article 7 and Article 8 shall indicatively be 80 % for volunteering and solidarity projects; and 20 % for either traineeships or jobs, or both, with a maximum of 20 % for in-country activities.

Or. en

Amendment 133

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. 90% of the allocation referred to in paragraph 1 shall be used for activities excluding Article 8.

Or. en

Amendment 134

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) acceding countries, candidates and potential candidates, in accordance with the general principles and general terms and conditions for the participation of those countries in Union programmes established in the respective framework agreements and Association Council decisions, or similar agreements, and in accordance with the specific conditions

deleted

laid down in agreements between the Union and those countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 135

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy, in accordance with the general principles and general terms and conditions for the participation of those countries in Union programmes established in the respective framework agreements and Association Council decisions, or similar agreements, and in accordance with the specific conditions laid down in agreements between the Union and those countries; *deleted*

Or. fr

Amendment 136

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) other third countries, in accordance with the conditions laid down in a specific agreement covering the participation of the third country to any Union programme, provided that the agreement: *deleted*

– ensures a fair balance as regards the contributions and benefits of the third country participating in the Union

programmes;

- *lays down the conditions of participation in the programmes, including the calculation of financial contributions to individual programmes and their administrative costs. These contributions shall constitute assigned revenues in accordance with Article [21(5)] of the Financial Regulation;*
- *does not confer to the third country a decisional power on the programme;*
- *guarantees the rights of the Union to ensure sound financial management and to protect its financial interests.*

Or. fr

Amendment 137

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. *Volunteering and networking actions as referred to in Articles 5 and 7 may be open to participation of any third country not associated to the programme, in particular neighbourhood countries.*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 138

Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Young people aged 17 to 30 years willing to participate in the European Solidarity

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Corps shall register in the European Solidarity Corps Portal. However, at the moment of commencing volunteering, traineeship, job or a solidarity project a young person shall be at least 18 years of age and not older than 30.

Corps shall register in the European Solidarity Corps Portal, ***which must be accessible to people with disabilities***. However, at the moment of commencing volunteering, traineeship, job or a solidarity project a young person shall be at least 18 years of age and not older than 30.

Or. hu

Amendment 139

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Young people aged 17 to 30 years willing to participate in the European Solidarity Corps shall register in the European Solidarity Corps Portal. However, at the moment of commencing volunteering, traineeship, job or a solidarity project a young person shall be at least 18 years of age ***and not older than 30***.

Amendment

Young people aged 17 to 30 years willing to participate in the European Solidarity Corps shall register in the European Solidarity Corps Portal. However, at the moment of commencing volunteering, traineeship, job or a solidarity project a young person shall be at least 18 years of age.

Or. en

Amendment 140

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities and international organisations, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label.

Amendment

1. The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities and international organisations, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label ***and that they offer activities that correspond to the definition of solidarity activity within this Regulation***

and that they have received a quality label. In line with Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046, the grants shall not have the purpose or effect of producing a profit.

Or. en

Amendment 141
Robert Rochefort

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities and international organisations, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label.

Amendment

1. The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities and international organisations, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label *to attest that the organisation is able to guarantee the quality of its activities in line with the principles and objectives of the European Solidarity Corps.*

Or. fr

Amendment 142
Ádám Kósa

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities, or international organisations, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label.

Amendment

(1) The European Solidarity Corps shall be open to the participation of public or private entities, or international organisations, *including organisations representing people with disabilities*, provided that they have received a European Solidarity Corps quality label.

Amendment 143
Jana Žitňanská

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions; and the ‘no-profit principle’ in compliance with the Financial Regulation. The above principles ascertain whether its activities meet the requirements of the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions ***including policies and procedures to ensure child safeguarding during the placement; adherence to the international human right standards; commitment to end the institutionalisation of children and persons with disabilities*** and the ‘no-profit principle’ in compliance with the Financial Regulation. The above principles ascertain whether its activities meet the requirements of the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. en

Amendment 144
Deirdre Clune

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 145

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions; and the ‘no-profit principle’ in compliance with the Financial

Amendment

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions; ***rejection of humanitarian tourism;*** and the ‘no-profit principle’ in

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compliance with the Financial Regulation. The above principles ascertain whether its activities meet the requirements of the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. fr

Amendment 146

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions; and the ‘no-profit principle’ in compliance with the Financial Regulation. The above principles ascertain whether its activities meet the requirements of the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment

2. An application from an entity to become a European Solidarity Corps participating organisation shall be assessed by the competent implementing body of the European Solidarity Corps on the basis of the principles of equal treatment; equal opportunities and non-discrimination; avoidance of job substitution; provision of high quality activities with learning dimension focusing on personal, socio-educational and professional development; adequate training, working and volunteering arrangements; safe and decent environment and conditions; and the ‘no-profit principle’ in compliance with the Financial Regulation. The above principles ascertain whether its activities meet the requirements of the European Solidarity Corps. ***The quality label shall only be attributed to organisations committing to comply with these principles. Actual compliance shall be controlled in accordance with Articles 26 and 27 of this Regulation.***

Or. en

Amendment 147

Jean Lambert

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically and may be revoked.

Amendment

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically ***or upon request from participants*** and may be revoked.

Or. en

Amendment 148
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically and may be revoked.

Amendment

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically and may be revoked. ***Any entity which substantially changes its activities shall inform the competent implementing body for reassessment. The process for attributing the quality label for volunteering shall be differentiated from that for jobs and traineeships.***

Or. en

Amendment 149
Robert Rochefort

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically and may be revoked.

Amendment

3. As a result of the assessment the entity may be attributed the European Solidarity Corps quality label. The obtained label shall be re-assessed periodically and may be revoked. ***Any entity wishing to substantially changes its activities must inform the competent implementing body so that it can be re-assessed.***

Or. fr

Amendment 150

Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 21 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall implement information and communication actions relating to the Programme, and its actions and results. ***Financial*** resources allocated to ***the Programme shall also contribute to the corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union, as far as they are related to the objectives referred to in Article 3.***

Amendment

2. The Commission shall implement information and communication actions relating to the Programme, and its actions and results. ***The*** resources allocated to communication ***shall not exceed 10%*** of the ***total budget of the European Solidarity Corps.***

Or. fr

Amendment 151

Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 21 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The national agencies referred to in Article 23 shall develop ***a consistent***

Amendment

3. The national agencies referred to in Article 23 shall develop ***policies*** with

strategy with regard to *the* effective outreach as well as dissemination and exploitation of results of activities supported under the actions they manage *within the Programme, shall assist the Commission in its general task of disseminating information concerning the Programme, including information in respect of actions and activities managed at national and Union level, and its results, and shall inform relevant target groups about the actions and activities undertaken in their country.*

regard to effective outreach. *Such policies shall also target young people with fewer opportunities including in remote areas* as well as dissemination and exploitation of results of activities supported under the actions they manage, *involving also youth organisations and specialised youth information services, as appropriate.*

Communication activities shall also contribute to the communication of the political priorities of the Union, provided that they are related to the general objective of this Regulation and that they represent added value and visibility for the Union.

Participating organisations shall use the brand name “European Solidarity Corps” for the purposes of communication and dissemination of information related to the European Solidarity Corps.

Or. en

Amendment 152
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 24 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. The Commission shall organise regular meetings and trainings with and for the network of national agencies in order to ensure coherent implementation of the European Solidarity Corps across all participating countries. The Commission shall regularly consult key stakeholders, including participating organisations, on the implementation of the European Solidarity Corps.

Amendment 153
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Article 27 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***The Head of the European Union
Delegation shall be responsible for
security risk control measures and the
information on the European Solidarity
Corps portal concerning the security
situation in a third country making it
dangerous to send volunteers.***

Or. fr

Amendment 154
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Article 27 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 27a

Protection of young people

***In line with the precautionary principle,
organisations which have been involved
in recent sexual scandals shall not be able
to host volunteers, trainees or employees
receiving grants under this programme.***

Or. fr

Amendment 155
Brando Benifei, Elena Gentile, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Annex – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Indicators for monitoring *and reporting*:

Amendment

The European Solidarity Corps shall be closely monitored in order to measure the extent to which the general objective and the specific objectives have been achieved, as well as monitor its outputs, results and impacts. To that end, a minimum framework of indicators is laid down, to serve as a basis for a future detailed programme for monitoring the outputs, results and impacts of the European Solidarity Corps, including an extended set of qualitative and quantitative indicators:

Or. en

Amendment 156
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Annex – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) number of participants in solidarity activities;

Amendment

Output indicators

(a) number of participants in volunteering (in-country and cross-border) broken down by country, age, gender, professional background and educational attainment;

(b) number of participants in traineeships (in-country and cross-border) broken down by country, age, gender, professional background and educational attainment;

(c) number of participants in jobs (in-country and cross-border) broken down by country, age, gender, professional background and educational attainment;

(d) number of participants in solidarity projects broken down by country, age, gender, professional background and educational attainment;

(e) number of organisations holding a quality label broken down by country and funding received;

(f) number of participating young people with fewer opportunities. Result indicators (Composite indicators);

(g) number of participants reporting positive learning outcomes;

(h) percentage of participants whose learning outcomes have been recognised through a certificate such as Youthpass, or another type of formal recognition of their participation in the European Solidarity Corps;

(i) overall satisfaction rate of participants with regard to the quality of activities;

(j) number of people supported directly or indirectly through solidarity activities.

In addition, as appropriate, the coherence with key indicators for Youth as referred to in Annex [XX new Erasmus + Regulation] shall be ensured.

Or. en

Amendment 157

Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation

Annex – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) percentage of participants from a fewer opportunities background; and

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 158
Brando Benifei, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

Proposal for a regulation
Annex – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) number of organisations holding a European Solidarity Corps Quality Label. *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 159
Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin

Proposal for a regulation
Annex – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) number and share of unemployed participants three months before and three months after the period of participation in the programme.

Or. fr