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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
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on the implementation of the Youth Employment Initiative in the Member States
(2017/2039(INI))

Amendment 1
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. having regard to the Council recommendation of 22 April 2013 on establishing a Youth Guarantee (2013/C 120/01),

Or. en

Amendment 2
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. having regard to the revised European Social Charter,

Or. en

Amendment 3
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,

Or. en

Amendment 4
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Id. having regard to the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities' 'List of issues in relation to the initial report of the European Union',

Or. en

Amendment 5
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1e. having regard to Directive 2006/54/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2006 on the implementation of the principle of equal opportunities and equal treatment of men and women in matters of employment and occupation (recast),

Or. en

Amendment 6
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

If. having regard to the Commission proposal of 2 July 2008 for a Council directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons

*irrespective of religion or belief, disability,
age or sexual orientation
(COM(2008)0426),*

Or. en

Amendment 7
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*1g. having regard to its legislative
resolution of 2 April 2009 on the proposal
for a Council directive on implementing
the principle of equal treatment between
persons irrespective of religion or belief,
disability, age or sexual orientation,*

Or. en

Amendment 8
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 h (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*1h. having regard to its resolution of
12 March 2013 on eliminating gender
stereotypes in the EU,*

Or. en

Amendment 9
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 i (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

li. having regard to its resolution of 12 September 2013 on the application of the principle of equal pay for male and female workers for equal work or work of equal value,

Or. en

Amendment 10
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 j (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

lj. having regard to its resolution of 8 March 2011 on the face of female poverty in the European Union,

Or. en

Amendment 11
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 k (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

lk. having regard to its resolution of 4 July 2013 on the impact of the crisis on access to care for vulnerable groups,

Or. en

Amendment 12
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 l (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1l. having regard to its resolution of 8 October 2015 on the application of Directive 2006/54/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2006 on the implementation of the principle of equal opportunities and equal treatment of men and women in matters of employment and occupation,

Or. en

Amendment 13
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 m (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1m. having regard to its resolution of 28 April 2016 on women domestic workers and carers in the EU,

Or. en

Amendment 14
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 n (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1n. having regard to its resolution of 13 September 2016 on creating labour market conditions favourable for work-life balance,

Or. en

Amendment 15
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 o (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1o. having regard to its resolution of 14 March 2017 on equality between women and men in the European Union in 2014-2015,

Or. en

Amendment 16
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Citation 1 p (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1p. having regard to the European Pact for gender equality for the period 2011-2020 adopted in the Council conclusions of 7 March 2011,

Or. en

Amendment 17
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

Amendment

A. whereas young people, and young women in particular, were the hardest hit during the recent financial crisis, which had a severe impact on young people's

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employment;

economic empowerment and young people's employment as well as mental and physical well-being, and could also be the root cause of 'scarring effects', meaning that individuals who have been unemployed will be more likely to suffer from negative labour market experiences in the future than other individuals who have not been unemployed;

Or. en

Amendment 18 **Marijana Petir**

Draft opinion **Recital A**

Draft opinion

A. whereas young people, and young women in particular, were the hardest *hit* during the recent financial crisis, which had a severe impact on young people's employment;

Amendment

A. whereas young people, and young women in particular, were *hit* the hardest during the recent financial *and economic* crisis, which had a severe impact on young people's employment, *as well as working environment, demographic situation, living conditions and access to education or training;*

Or. en

Amendment 19 **Kostadinka Kuneva**

Draft opinion **Recital A a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas inequality undermines the common European values and erodes support to the European and public democratic institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas increased inequality is associated with decreased social mobility, reduced human capabilities and limits on individual and collective freedom;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ac. whereas across the EU women remain considerably under-represented in the labour market and in management, with the overall employment rate of women still being almost 12 % lower than that of men;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ad. whereas ‘reducing the gender pay, earnings and pension gaps and thus fighting poverty among women’ is one of

the priorities defined by the Commission in its document 'Strategic engagement for gender equality 2016-2019';

Or. en

Amendment 23
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ae. whereas 31.5 % of working women work part-time compared with 8.2 % of working men, and whereas just over 50 % of women work full-time, compared with 71.2 % of men, representing a full-time employment rate gap of 25.5 %;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Af. whereas, gender balance is not an indicator properly addressed within the objectives of YEI;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital A g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ag. whereas, Articles 9 and 10 of the TFEU in defining and implementing its policies and activities, the Union has to ensure an inclusive and integrated labour market that be able to address the severe impact of unemployment and secure a high level of employment, whereas, the EU must ensure decent working conditions across the Union, including adequate wages, and guarantee adequate social protection in accordance with labour regulations, collective bargaining and in line with the principle of subsidiarity, as well as a high level of education and training and combat discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Recital B

Draft opinion

B. whereas the situation of young women and men and the reasons why they are not in employment, education or training (NEET) vary;

Amendment

B. whereas the situation of young women and men and the reasons why they are not in employment, education or training (NEET) vary ***considerably throughout Member States;***

Or. en

Amendment 27
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

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Amendment

Ba. *whereas the existing framework of the Youth Employment Initiative and the Youth Guarantee failed to successfully address the specific needs of young women and girls and/or specific groups of unemployed young people in need of particular support and positive measures (e.g. migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, Roma women and men, LGBTI, single parents, long term unemployed, school leavers etc.);*

Or. en

Amendment 28

Terry Reintke

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas care and family responsibilities still restrict women's opportunities as regards education, inhibit their participation in the labour market and affect their career choices;

Amendment

C. whereas care and family responsibilities ***as well as the paternity leave gap and the gender bias in the labour market as a consequence thereof*** still restrict women's opportunities as regards education, inhibit their participation in the labour market and affect their career choices;

Or. en

Amendment 29

Marijana Petir

Draft opinion

Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas care and family responsibilities still restrict women's opportunities as regards education, inhibit their participation in the labour market and affect their career choices;

Amendment

C. whereas ***inadequate support to families and especially to women for*** care and family responsibilities still restrict women's opportunities as regards education, inhibit their participation in the labour market and affect their career choices;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas, young girls and women take up the burden of care for dependent family members due to limited or no access to public and free social care whereas caring responsibilities are reasons for inactivity for almost 20 % of economically inactive women, while this is only the case for less than 2 % of economically inactive men; whereas women carry out at least two and a half times more unpaid household and care work than men;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas irregular employment arrangements or failure to register as unemployed, for young women in rural areas, renders statistical data imprecise and creates disparities in their pensions; whereas this practice negatively influences the entire society and especially women's well-being as well as other social insurances and opportunities for career changes or future employment possibilities;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital C b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Cb. whereas, in many member states women represent the vast majority of workers employed in precarious, part time or mini jobs. whereas responsibilities of care , in combination with difficulties to balance work and life has as effect women to be more likely to work part-time or be economically inactive than men, having a negative future impact on their wages and pension-related income;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital D

Draft opinion

D. whereas NEET rates are decreasing, although the Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) cannot take full credit for this;

Amendment

D. whereas NEET rates are decreasing, although the Youth Employment Initiative (YEI) cannot take full credit for this;
whereas, no measures to prevent young people from becoming NEET are implemented under the YEI;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital D a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Da. whereas, NEETS are a heterogeneous group with diverse needs and therefore it is considered of utmost significance to take measures in order to make women, young girls and the gender aspect visible throughout an up-to-date YEI;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Recital D b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Db. whereas, according to national evaluations for the YEI, there are difficulties in engaging vulnerable young people in some Member States. whereas, in the first phase of implementation, the YEI most frequently reached the younger age cohort of 15-24 year olds (77%),

young men (51%), those with at least upper secondary qualifications (75%) and the unemployed (77%) rather than the inactive according to a survey of Managing Authorities in late 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Is concerned that in many Member States youth unemployment rates are still unacceptably high and that improvement comes in slow pace;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls for the inclusion to the YEI of intersectional criteria for targeted youth populations based on: gender, geography/remoteness from large or medium urban centres and facility centres, income, ethnicity, educational background, family features and disability;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Highlights the need for of a dual strategy approach and methodology based on gender mainstreaming with horizontal implementation to all initiatives, policies and measures of the EU in the context of YEI, with special regard to young women and girls;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1d. Stresses the utmost significance for setting and ensuring minimum standards regarding the quality of employment offered within the framework of the YEI. These standards should be safeguarded for all young people (re)entering the labour market and should not only respond to their professional/occupational profile and labour market demand and should include: contract based employment, decent working and living conditions, decent salaries, social security and pension rights, access to child care facilities, leaves, holidays, and permanent employment;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Recognises the success of the YEI in reducing youth unemployment rates and in ensuring the *gender* balance *in particular*, with the result that the YEI has reached around **48 %** of men and **52 %** of women;

Amendment

2. Recognises the success of the YEI in reducing youth unemployment rates and in ensuring the balance *between women and men in particular*, with the result that the YEI has reached around **48%** of men and **52%** of women;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the full implementation to the YEI of both the Employment Equality Directive and Directive 2010/41/EU on the application of the principle of equal treatment between men and women;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Considers necessary that the EC and the Member-States come forward with positive measures in order to safeguard that young women and girls

receive good quality offers of employment and are not employed or trapped in precarious, underpaid and temporary jobs with limited or no rights as workers;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2c. Calls for the strengthening of young women's rights and economic empowerment, not only through the implementation of the EYI, but also through the EU strategies and policies by addressing the deep-rooted unequal gender power-relations and stereotypes that not only give rise to discrimination and violence against women and girls, but to LGBTI persons as well. Furthermore, is concerned that that gender predominant power stereotypes interact with other forms of discrimination and inequality such as those related to race, disability, age and gender identity;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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Amendment

3. Commends the well-focused, targeted approach and the stronger focus on individualised assistance, which

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contributed to the general success of the YEI and, in particular, to the success in ensuring gender balance, which has a bigger impact on women's participation in the labour market;

contributed to the general success of the YEI and, in particular, to the success in ensuring gender balance, which has a bigger impact on women's participation in the labour market; ***encourages the promotion of gender awareness in guidance and lifelong learning with public employment services to sustain women's participation in the labour force and their return to the labour market after career breaks;***

Or. en

Amendment 45 **Marijana Petir**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 3**

Draft opinion

3. Commends the well-focused, targeted approach and the stronger focus on individualised assistance, which contributed to the general success of the YEI and, in particular, to the success in ensuring ***gender*** balance, which has a bigger impact on women's participation in the labour market;

Amendment

3. Commends the well-focused, targeted approach and the stronger focus on individualised assistance, which contributed to the general success of the YEI and, in particular, to the success in ensuring balance ***between women and men***, which has a bigger impact on women's participation in the labour market;

Or. en

Amendment 46 **Marijana Petir**

Draft opinion **Paragraph 4**

Draft opinion

4. Calls on the Member States to compile ***gender-disaggregated*** statistical data in order for the Commission to launch

Amendment

4. Calls on the Member States to compile statistical data ***disaggregated by sex*** in order for the Commission to launch

an impact assessment of the YEI and its influence on *gender* balance to allow for a thorough evaluation and analysis of its implementation;

an impact assessment of the YEI and its influence on balance *between women and men* to allow for a thorough evaluation and analysis of its implementation *and integration of fully functioning monitoring systems*;

Or. en

Amendment 47
Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. *Calls on the Member States to improve communication significantly and in a way that is adapted to the target group on the options available for young people to get involved in YG and YEI programmes.*

Or. sk

Amendment 48
Terry Reintke
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
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Amendment

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market or education through the provision of childcare and adult care;

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market or education through *ensuring gender equality in access to employment, career progression,*

reconciliation of work and private life, the provision of childcare and adult care, and promoting equal pay for work of equal value;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Viorica Dăncilă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market or education through the provision of childcare and adult care;

Amendment

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market or education through the provision of childcare and adult care, *and to improve work-life balance;*

Or. en

Amendment 50
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market *or* education through the provision of childcare and

Amendment

5. Calls on the Member States to develop new, innovative and more personalised ways to reach inactive NEETs, who are facing barriers such as poverty, social exclusion, disability or multiple discrimination, as well as to find ways to support young women's re-entry into the labour market, education *or training* through the provision of childcare

adult care;

and adult care;

Or. en

Amendment 51

Terry Reintke

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Recalls that effectively challenging gender stereotypes is crucial to increase women's participation in all segments of the labour market; calls on the Union to be a champion in challenging gender stereotypes especially in the area of education, work, and further training;

Or. en

Amendment 52

Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Underlines the importance of non-governmental organisations and other relevant actors in including young people, who are considered to be furthest from the labour market.

Or. sk

Amendment 53

Terry Reintke

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM);

Amendment

6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; ***encourages initiatives aiming at tackling gender segregation in education, training and in the labour market***; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM);

Or. en

Amendment 54
Viorica Dăncilă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM);

Amendment

6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM); ***Encourages the Member States to make efforts on countering gender-based discrimination in the labour market and supporting girls and young women's development in STEM sectors with targeted policies***;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM);

Amendment

6. Stresses the need to focus on the quality and sustainability of offers; points out the importance of supporting the inclusion of girls and young women in all sectors of the economy, including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) ***and entrepreneurship***;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Strongly underlines that maternity and parenthood should not even be considered as acceptable grounds for discrimination against women in relation to accessing and remaining in the labour market; Therefore, highlights the need for a consolidated strategy for achieving work-life balance;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on Member States to support inclusion of all young people and especially girls and young women in rural areas, specifically focusing on those with lower educational or skill levels as the

studies available show they are often less involved and informed.

Or. en

Amendment 58
Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. *Underlines the fact that programmes such as YG and YEI arose as a reaction to particularly adverse circumstances; notes, however, that such programmes cannot be considered as substitutes for systemic solutions to address high youth unemployment in the Member States.*

Or. sk

Amendment 59
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. *Calls on Member States to provide for programs, trainings and education that would boost e-capacity and digital skills of young people, especially women and those living in rural or remote areas in order to help them achieve long term, sustainable economic independence and become active creators of employment possibilities instead of passive receivers of short term help.*

Or. en

Amendment 60
Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Calls on the Member States to continue implementing the YEI, while remedying its weaknesses, and to **ensure** the continuation of financing YEI during the period of the next multiannual financial framework (MFF).

Amendment

7. Calls on the Member States to continue implementing the YEI, while remedying its weaknesses, and to **consider** the continuation of financing YEI during the period of the next multiannual financial framework (MFF), ***provided that the serious shortcomings identified in the European Court of Auditors' report are eliminated.***

Or. sk

Amendment 61
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses the need for gender quotas to be introduced by Member-States when implementing YEI, given that this positive measure is one of the proven most effective tools in addressing inequalities, discrimination and gender imbalances;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to define quantifiable goals for programmes such as YG and YEI in order to prevent unrealistic expectations.

Or. sk

Amendment 63
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Calls on the Member States to share best practices between each other in order to learn from each other for the best effect of the YEI.

Or. en

Amendment 64
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls on the Member States to put in place effective measures and policies in order to address discrimination and unlawful dismissal related to work-life balance and to ensure access to justice and legal protection;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Jana Žitňanská

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

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Amendment

7b. Calls on the Member States and the Commission to thoroughly evaluate and consider the future funding of YG and YEI in the light of their added value for the long-term sustainable increase in youth employment.

Or. sk

Amendment 66
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

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Amendment

7b. Calls on the Member States to promote tailor-made solutions depending on the specific regions and avoid unproductive “one fits all” solutions.

Or. en

Amendment 67
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 c (new)

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Amendment

7c. Urges the European Commission to come forward with an updated proposal for an increased budget for the YEI and the Youth Guarantee tools, given that ongoing European and Economic crisis and the consequent economic slowdown, Member States are still struggling with

high unemployment levels, public debt, low growth and insufficient investments, as well as, cuts in public expenditure;

Or. en

Amendment 68
Marijana Petir

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 c (new)

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Amendment

7c. Calls on the Member States to engage in awareness raising campaigns that would target all interest groups, especially the ones living in remote or rural areas which are less likely to be properly trained and informed.

Or. en

Amendment 69
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 d (new)

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Amendment

7d. Stresses the need for the Union to apply holistic policies and public investments that will effectively combat unemployment, poverty and social marginalisation. Therefore, calls for the inclusion of gender and social indicators to all its policies, strategies and tools;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7e. Calls on the Commission to improve the collection, analysis and dissemination of comprehensive, comparable and reliable and regularly updated data on women's participation to the labour market through the YEI;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Kostadinka Kuneva

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7f. Calls on the Commission to come forward with a proposal extending the duration of the YEI implementation period beyond 2018. Furthermore, calls for the extension of the age limitation previously set to 25/29 years to over 30 years, as a measure to include larger groups of the population, who have already obtained a post-secondary level of education, yet still remain unemployed. Notes that such an extension shall also benefit the young mothers who have self-excluded themselves from the labour market in order to care for their children or other dependent members of their families;

Or. en