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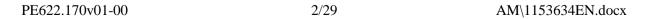
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AMENDMENTS 1 - 54

Draft opinion Malin Björk(PE620.934v01-00)

2019 budget - Trilogue mandate (2018/2024(BUD))

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Amendment 1 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas Article 8 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union states that the promotion of equality between men and women is a fundamental principle of the EU, requiring gender equality to be incorporated into all policies and addressed at all levels of the budgetary process via gender mainstreaming and gender budgeting;

Amendment

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Amendment 2 Michaela Šojdrová

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Amendment 3 Barbara Matera

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A. whereas Article 8 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union states that the promotion of equality between men and women is a fundamental principle of the EU, therefore making gender mainstreaming and gender budgeting important tools, within the budgetary process, for the integration of this principle into EU policies, measures and actions with a view to advancing equality, combating discrimination, increasing active involvement of women in the labour market as well as economic and social activities;

Or. en

Amendment 4 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas equality between women and men is an ex ante conditionality of the Common Provisions Regulation of the current MFF 2014-2020; stresses that the annexed inter-institutional declaration, agrees to integrate, gender-responsive elements, taking into account the ways in which the overall financial framework of the Union contributes to increased gender equality (and ensures gender mainstreaming);

Amendment 5 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital B

Draft opinion

B. whereas inequality is a growing problem in the EU, and whereas the Union budget must increasingly be designed to make a significant contribution to safeguarding and developing social rights, access to public welfare services and housing, and decent working conditions, with a specific focus on improving gender equality and the situation of women;

Amendment

B. whereas discrimination needs to be eradicated and effectively addressed by the Member States within the EU and national legislation, and whereas the Union budget must be designed to create new opportunities in the EU labour market and to improve working and living conditions as well as to facilitate access to services, this way allowing reconciliation between work and family life as well as, delivering equality between women and men in practice;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Recital B

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Amendment 7 Malin Björk

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B. whereas inequality is a growing problem in the EU, and whereas the Union budget must increasingly be designed to make a significant contribution to safeguarding and developing social rights, access to public welfare services, especially health care services, education, housing, and decent working conditions, with a specific focus on improving gender equality and the situation of women and girls;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas economic independence is a key factor to women's emancipation; whereas the employment rate of women in the EU is still at unacceptable low levels and women and girls' potential must be further increased, in particular in the field of digitalised economy and in the STEM and ICT sectors in order to achieve true gender equality, overcome gender stereotypes and to contribute to the growth and innovation of the economy;

Amendment 9 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas stereotypes continue to constitute a barrier for women especially in the labour market; whereas promoting work-life balance is beneficial both for women's empowerment and the development of the EU economy;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

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Or. en

Amendment 11 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bb. whereas women's empowerment as proven, will lead to economic growth and women entrepreneurial potential

represents an untapped source of economic development and jobs to be created; whereas women in the rural areas are facing particular challenges in developing their own business, the Union budget must be tailored to make a substantial contribution on improving equal access to information, training and financing;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 13 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital B c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bc. whereas despite the growing demand of ICT specialists and digital profiles the number of women working in

the digital fields is decreasing¹a; whereas according to the new Commission's study more women in digital jobs could create an annual €16 billion GDP boost in the EU; whereas the lack of digital skills and women role models in STEM field discourage women and girls to engage in the Tech sector; whereas the ICT sector has significant potential in achieving work-life balance by enabling women to combine work with childcare due to the facilitated possibility of remote work;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Recital B c (new)

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^{1a} European Commission: Women in the digital age, final report, March 2018.

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Amendment 15 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital B d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bd. whereas the European Institute for Gender Equality has estimated that the cost of intimate partner violence against women in the EU could amount to €109 billion per year^{1a} and whereas violence against women is a human rights violation that affects all levels of the society; whereas it is essential that in the implementation of the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme the Daphne's profile is kept as high as possible and whereas the Commission shall take into consideration the need to maintain sufficient funding levels as well as to ensure continuity of actions and predictability of funding in all areas covered by the specific objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Recital B d (new)

Draft opinion

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^{1a} European Institute for Gender Equality (2014). Estimating the costs of genderbased violence in the European Union, Publications Office of the European Union, Luxembourg.

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Or. en

Amendment 17 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Recital C

Draft opinion

C. whereas the Union and its Member States collectively are the world's leading donor, providing over 50% of all global development aid; whereas the reduction of aid from other donors in the field of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and women's reproductive health requires the Union and its Member States to increase current funding, especially in those fields with a particular gender dimension;

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 18 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Recital C

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Amendment

C. whereas the Union and its Member States collectively are the world's leading donor, providing over 50 % of all global development aid; whereas it is important to assess current funding in those fields with a particular gender dimension in the EU external relations with a view to advance equality between women and men in a more comprehensive way, through an adequate mix of programmes and modalities:

Or. en

Amendment 19 Maria Gabriela Zoană

Draft opinion Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ca. whereas about one in three women has experienced physical and/or sexual violence since she was 15 years old and there is still a systemic underreporting of incidences or perpetrators of domestic violence in the EU, either because of fear or lacking of information about victim's rights;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Recital C a (new)

Draft opinion

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Ca. whereas gender-based violence

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against women and girls as well as LGBTQI people is a breach of fundamental rights, but remains wide spread across the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Recital C b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Cb. whereas the EU is in the accession process of the Istanbul Convention which is as a necessary step to improve and strengthen its work to eradicate genderbased violence across Europe, but whereas several Member States have not ratified the Convention;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

Amendment

1. Reaffirms its request for increased resources to uphold women's economic rights and reduce gender inequality, including through the use of existing instruments at EU and Member State level, such as gender impact assessments; calls on the Commission and the Council to use gender budgeting for public expenditure systematically, especially when negotiating the next multiannual financial framework (MFF);

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Amendment 23 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 24 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

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Amendment

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(MFF);

the next multiannual financial framework (MFF);

Or. en

Amendment 25 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

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Amendment

1. Reaffirms its request for using gender mainstreaming and gender budgeting with gender impact assessments to advance women's rights and eradicate discrimination, including through the use of existing instruments at EU and Member State level; calls on the Commission and the Council to use gender budgeting for the EU expenditure, also when negotiating the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF);

Or. en

Amendment 26 Monika Vana on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Regrets that gender mainstreaming is not consistently implemented in the majority of the existing EU programmes, financial instruments and the European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI); calls therefore on the Commission to reverse the situation in the next programming period in order to ensure a proper

allocation of funds dedicated to gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 27 Monika Vana on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Stresses that gender budgeting must become an integral part of the budgetary procedure at all its stages and in all budget lines, and not only in programmes in which the gender impact is most obvious, so that budgetary expenditure becomes an effective tool for promoting gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Monika Vana
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1c. Requests a specific budget line for the targeted instruments dedicated to gender equality, namely, Daphne and the gender equality objective in REC programme and repeats its call to increase the resources dedicated to Daphne in line with the allocations of the previous programming period;

Amendment 29 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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2. Calls on the Member States to make use of the funds available under the European Social Fund and the European Regional Development Fund to promote gender equality through education and health services, notably SRHR services, and to invest in high-quality public care services;

Or. fr

Amendment 30 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

Amendment

2. Calls on the Member States to make use of the funds available under the European Social Fund and the European Regional Development Fund to promote gender equality through education and health services, notably SRHR services, and to invest in high-quality public care services;

Or. en

Amendment 31 Maria Gabriela Zoană

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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Or. en

Amendment 32 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls on the Member States to make use of the funds available under the European Social Fund and the European Regional Development Fund to promote gender equality through education and health services, notably SRHR services, *and* to invest in high-quality public care services;

Amendment

2. Calls on the Member States and local authorities to make use of the funds available under the European Social Fund and the European Regional Development Fund to promote gender equality through education, care and health services, notably SRHR services, to invest in high-quality public care services and to support as well women entrepreneurship and their access to the labour market, thus promoting women's economic independence and emancipation;

Or. en

Amendment 33 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 34 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 35 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 36 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Calls for funding to be allocated to 2a. programmes supporting women's entrepreneurship, including SMEs created and led by women, as part of the COSME programme, and to ensure and encourage access for women to loans and equity finance; calls to support mothers who are entrepreneurs as entrepreneurship among them may not only exemplify successful reconciliation of work-life balance, but also contribute to stimulation of new job opportunities and role models encouraging other women to put their own projects into practice;

Amendment 37 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Highlights the need of attracting more women and girls into STEM and ICT sectors; recalls for funding the programs that focus on addressing the challenges women face in adapting to the digital era, as well as on addressing the digital gender gap through developing their digital skills, as part of Horizon 2020, Erasmus+, European Social Fund and Youth Employment Initiative;

Or. en

Amendment 38 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Highlights the need to attract more women into the STEM and ICT sectors; underlines the need to finance programmes that provide quality education and training to women and girls and raise their awareness about the possibilities offered in the STEM and ICT sectors, as part of Horizon 2020, Erasmus +, the European Social Fund and the Youth Employment Initiative;

Amendment 39 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Insists that the commitments to implement the Istanbul Convention and to eradicate gender-based violence against women and girls, as well as against LGBTQI people, irrespective of their residence status, needs to be translated to concrete budgetary commitments and recommendations in the forthcoming EU budget;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2*b*. Calls on the EU and the Member States to include concrete measures and allocate adequate financial resources to ensure the protection of refugee women from violence, during the whole asylum procedure, by providing quality health care, separate and secure sleeping areas, sanitation areas reserved for women in transit and reception facilities, creating safe spaces, ensuring the presence of a sufficient number of female staff members, as well as providing information on rights and assistance services, specific training on detecting and preventing gender based violence for staff working in transit and reception facilities, supporting resettlement and relocation programmes, which enable safe and legal ways for asylum seekers and

refugees to come to Europe, with a specific focus on vulnerable groups, such as women, girls and LGBTQI people;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Calls for the EU to promote women's organisations, women's rights, the empowerment of girls and women's representation in decision-making through EU development aid; recalls the urgent need to increase EU funding for SRHR in order to counter the impact of the financing gap left by the US after the reinstatement and expansion of its 'global gag rule';

Amendment

3. Calls for the EU, through EU development aid, to support the Member States in their policies for families, children, the most vulnerable, and the most deprived, that being the role which falls to, and which should be played by, a union of European states;

Or. fr

Amendment 42 Michaela Šojdrová

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Amendment 43 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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Or. en

Amendment 44 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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Amendment

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Amendment 45
Monika Vana
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Recalls that a very significant number of refugees and asylum seekers entering the EU are women and children; highlights that gender mainstreaming is also among the founding principles of the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) and reiterates its call for the gender dimension to also be taken into account in the allocation of the budget dedicated to migration and asylum policies;

Or. en

Amendment 46 Barbara Matera

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Highlights the need of attracting more women and girls into STEM and ICT sectors; recalls for funding the programs that focus on addressing the challenges women face in adapting to the digital era, as well as on addressing the digital gender gap through developing their digital skills, as part of Horizon 2020, Erasmus+, European Social Fund and Youth Employment Initiative;

Amendment 47 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Calls for increased budget allocation to women's shelters which provide services to women and children victims of gender-based violence and domestic violence in order to reinforce their work of victims support, prevention and empowerment;

Or. en

Amendment 48 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Calls for the EU to ensure its gender mainstreaming targets for development aid are reached and ensure a consistency in the use of the gender markers and specific codes in all EU reporting, including to OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) that also monitor gender equality objectives in the implementation of Official development assistance (ODA);

Or. en

Amendment 49 Malin Björk

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3c. Calls on the EU to increase the budget allocated to civil society organisations that promote women's rights, to strengthen the capacity of women's rights associations in Europe and in the Global South;

Or. en

Amendment 50 Mylène Troszczynski

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Recalls the important role of the European Institute for Gender Equality in collecting data and acquiring expertise in the area of gender equality, including combating violence against women and girls; calls for the Institute's budget, staff establishment plan and independence to be kept stable.

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Or. fr

Amendment 51 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Recalls the important role of the European Institute for Gender Equality *in* collecting data and acquiring expertise in the area of gender equality, including combating violence against women and girls; calls for the Institute's budget, staff establishment plan and independence to be

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Or. en

Amendment 52 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Repeats its call for each specific objective of the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme, also with a view to preparing the next MFF, to have a separate budget line in order to increase transparency, to ensure the necessary funding for each of the specific objectives, especially to what concern the fight against gender-based violence, sexual harassment and discrimination, and for their visibility;

Or. en

Amendment 53 Maria Gabriela Zoană

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the EU and Member States continue to allocate sufficient funds for the fight against all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls, with a particular focus on raising public awareness, informing women victims about their rights and available services, and providing trainings for relevant professionals, who are often initially contacted by women victims of

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gender-based violence.

Or. en

Amendment 54 Pina Picierno

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 b (new)

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4b. Calls the necessity to foresee financial instruments in order to encourage the application of the Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, which involve measures to protect the victims and prosecute the perpetrators and supporting agencies and institutions.