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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
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Harnessing globalisation: trade aspects
(2018/2005(INI))

Amendment 1
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph –1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1. Welcomes the reflection paper entitled ‘Harnessing globalisation’ and its focus on easing access to the positive effects of globalisation while pointing out the need to counter the negative effects;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph –1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1a. Notes that the benefits of globalisation are unequally distributed between regions and within societies; notes that this is a reason for the rising scepticism or rejection of globalisation within societies; notes that the financial and economic crises had a particularly negative effect on mid-range incomes, as well as on social and labour rights; expresses the view that the combination of a declining citizens’ concerns over losing their social and economic position, and scepticism towards globalisation, can result in nationalist and authoritarian tendencies, which then lead to the promotion of protectionism and extremism as a populist answer to these concerns;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph –1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1b. Notes the importance of engaging in the restructuring of the world economic order and of respecting the needs of developing countries, while stressing that the aim of fulfilling the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the conditions of the Paris Agreement must provide the overarching framework;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

Amendment

1. Believes that *Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for national identities and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account the fears expressed by a growing number of citizens about their future;*

1. Believes that *globalisation implies many advantages for businesses and citizens; at the same time, globalisation also raises concerns, which need to be addressed by the European Union;*

Or. en

Amendment 5
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Believes that Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, ***but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for national identities and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account the fears expressed by a growing number of citizens about their*** future;

Amendment

1. Believes that Europe faces many ***opportunities and some*** challenges linked to globalisation ***which should be addressed with effective measures by the Union in order to stop the raising scepticism in some parts of society towards globalization in the*** future;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Believes that Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for ***national identities*** and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account ***the fears expressed by a growing number of citizens*** about ***their future***;

Amendment

1. Believes that Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for ***fundamental rights, democracy*** and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account ***reasoned concerns*** about ***the impacts of globalisation on the economy, society, technology, demography and the environment***;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Believes that Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for national identities and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account the fears expressed by a growing number of citizens about their future;

Amendment

1. Believes that Europe faces many challenges linked to globalisation, but it is important to adapt the texts in force in a measured way, on an area-by-area basis, with due respect for national identities and the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality so as to take into account the fears expressed by a growing number of citizens about their future; ***points out in this regard that the role of the EU is to ensure that world trade is proactively conceived and managed, so as to guarantee that it is fair, that it reflects certain values - particularly those of the EU - and that it remains firmly anchored in a rule-based system;***

Or. ro

Amendment 8
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ia. Notes that strengthening the EU's internal market as well as fairly and cohesively consolidating the economic union is vital, since a solid internal market is a prerequisite for the successful implementation of international strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Stresses that *this adjustment* should take place in at least *four* areas: *the protection* of intellectual property, *the protection of protected geographical indications (PGIs)*, *the taking into account of opinion 2/15 of 16 May 2017 of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and the possible creation of a multilateral court for the settlement of disputes relating to investments*;

Amendment

2. Stresses that *international trade plays an important role in how globalisation develops*; *the legislator, in this regard, should pay special attention to the following areas of jurisdiction among others, which are subjected to international trade agreements: intellectual property rights, including copyright, trademarks and patents, data protection and enhanced transparency obligations, food safety requirements and environmental standards*;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Kostas Chrysogonos

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Draft opinion

2. Stresses that this adjustment should take place in at least *four* areas: the protection of intellectual property, the protection of protected geographical indications (PGIs), the taking into account of opinion 2/15 of 16 May 2017 of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and the possible creation of a multilateral court for the settlement of disputes relating to investments;

Amendment

2. Stresses that this adjustment should take place in at least *six* areas: *the strengthening of social (including labour) rights*, the protection of intellectual property, the protection of protected geographical indications (PGIs), *the protection of the environment*, the taking into account of opinion 2/15 of 16 May 2017 of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and the possible creation of a multilateral court for the settlement of disputes relating to investments;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Antanas Guoga

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 2**

Draft opinion

2. Stresses that this adjustment should take place in at least **four** areas: the protection of intellectual property, the protection of protected geographical indications (PGIs), the taking into account of opinion 2/15 of 16 May 2017 of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and the possible creation of a multilateral court for the settlement of disputes relating to investments;

Amendment

2. Stresses that this adjustment should take place in at least **five** areas: the protection of intellectual property, **the growth of data economy**, the protection of protected geographical indications (PGIs), the taking into account of opinion 2/15 of 16 May 2017 of the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and the possible creation of a multilateral **investment** court for the settlement of disputes relating to investments;

Or. en

**Amendment 12
Daniel Buda**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Recalls and welcomes European Union commitment to pursuing a transparent and responsible trade policy that exploits the positive aspects of globalisation, guarantees fair distribution of the benefits of trade in accordance with its principles of solidarity and sustainability and offers modern solutions for the realities of today's economy in an increasingly technological world, enabling all individuals and businesses, especially SMEs, to benefit from its advantages;

Or. ro

Amendment 13
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Notes that a solid EU internal market is a prerequisite for the successful implementation of international strategies; points out in this regard that, in order to ensure that the EU's trade policy is geared towards achievement of its overall economic and political objectives, in particular sustainable development, all EU institutions should ensure greater consistency between trade policy and other EU internal and external policies;

Or. ro

Amendment 14
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Recalls that, as regards intellectual property rights, including patents, trademarks and copyright, the Committee on International Trade is responsible for the international aspects, but the Committee on Legal Affairs is responsible for substantive rules, and they should work together to ensure that the Union continues to protect European creators and interests, particularly in the face of the challenges posed by digital technology; ***deleted***

Or. en

Amendment 15
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls that, as regards intellectual property rights, including patents, trademarks and copyright, the *Committee on International Trade is responsible for the international aspects, but the Committee on Legal Affairs is responsible for substantive rules, and they should work together to ensure that the Union continues to protect European creators and interests, particularly in the face of the challenges posed by digital technology;*

Amendment

3. Recalls that, as regards intellectual property rights, including patents, trademarks and copyright, the *Union should aim to ensure efficient level of protection to these intangible assets in its trade agreements in order to facilitate growth and competitiveness;*

Or. en

Amendment 16
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

3a. Emphasises the importance and recognition of the exponential growth of data flows and data economy. Welcomes the Commission proposal on the free flow of non-personal data (COM(2017)495) which will boost Europe's technological potential, will create job places as well as strengthen the Union's position in international trade;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 17
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Recognises data protection as a fundamental right in the European Union; calls to guarantee high standards of data protection in trade agreements through a so called mutual adequacy decision between the European Union and a non-EU country;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Stresses **that, with regard to PGIs and agricultural Geographical Indications, or AGIs (including wine and cheese), the Union must be determined strictly to control the use of the traditional European designations of origin, especially in negotiating free trade agreements;**

4. Stresses **the importance to further promote the European Union's scheme of geographical indications, and traditional specialities and to continue concluding respective bilateral agreements with third countries;**

Or. en

Amendment 19
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 20

Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

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5. ***Insists that*** opinion 2/15 of the ***CJEU be taken into account, in particular in that it offers a key for the clear division*** of the competences between the Union and the Member States, ***and recalls that***, as regards ***investment protection, the Court considers that the protection of non-direct investment and the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism are a competence shared*** between the Union and ***the Member States, whereas the protection of direct investment falls within the exclusive competence of*** the Union;

Amendment

5. ***Recalls*** Opinion 2/15 of the ***Court of Justice of the European Union on the allocation of*** competences between the ***European*** Union and the Member States as regards ***the Free Trade Agreement*** between the ***European*** Union and ***Singapore, which concludes that the European Union enjoys*** exclusive ***competences on all trade related matters except for non-direct foreign investment, investor-state dispute resolution, covering all types of investments, and ancillary provisions regarding non-direct foreign investment; welcomes the Court opinion as it creates legal clarity for all future EU agreements with third countries, including with the United Kingdom after its departure from*** the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Insists that opinion 2/15 of the CJEU be taken into account, in particular in that it offers a key for the clear division of the competences between the Union and the Member States, ***and recalls that, as regards investment protection, the Court considers that the protection of non-direct investment and the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism are a competence shared between the Union and the Member States, whereas the protection of direct investment falls within the exclusive competence of the Union;***

Amendment

5. Insists that opinion 2/15 of the CJEU be taken into account, in particular in that it offers a key for the clear division of the competences between the Union and the Member States; ***stresses that this opinion, with regard to the scope of the exceptions to the qualified majority rule established in Article 207(4) TFEU, in particular in the field of trade in cultural and audiovisual services, where these trade agreements risk prejudicing the Union's cultural and linguistic diversity and in the field of trade in social, education and health services, where these trade agreements risk seriously disturbing the national organisation of such services, sheds a light on the strategic importance of parliamentary scrutiny regarding the respect of the obligations set by the Treaties when negotiating trade agreements;***

Or. en

Amendment 22
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. ***Insists that*** opinion 2/15 of the CJEU ***be taken into account***, in particular in that it offers a key for the clear division of the competences between the Union and the Member States, and recalls that, as regards investment protection, the Court considers that the protection of non-direct investment and the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism are a competence shared between the Union and the Member States, whereas the protection of direct investment falls within the exclusive

Amendment

5. ***Welcomes the*** opinion 2/15 of the CJEU, in particular in that it offers a key for the clear division of the competences between the Union and the Member States, and recalls that, as regards investment protection, the Court considers that the protection of non-direct investment and the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism are a competence shared between the Union and the Member States, whereas the protection of direct investment falls within the exclusive competence of

competence of the Union;

the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. *Asks the Commission to meet the growing complexity of value chains and the increasing interdependence of producers with clear transparency and diligence obligations for the whole supply chain;*

Or. en

Amendment 24
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. *Stresses the need, in order to protect the public interest, to replace the arbitration courts with a multilateral court to settle investment disputes, and welcomes the fact that the Council has just adopted a negotiating mandate to this effect;*

6. In order to *address the limitations of the existing Investor State Dispute Settlement system, welcomes Council's recent mandate given to the European Commission to negotiate, on behalf of the European Union, a Convention establishing a multilateral court for the settlement of investment disputes (MIC); the MIC will serve as a permanent body to settle investment disputes and will be a more transparent, coherent and fair system, which will be extremely beneficial for investors; further welcomes in this regard that the Council has also decided to make the negotiation directives publicly*

available, which was a longstanding request by the European Parliament in its efforts to push for more transparency in the field of international negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses the need, in order to *protect the public interest*, to replace the *arbitration courts* with a multilateral court to settle investment disputes, and welcomes the fact that the Council has just adopted a negotiating mandate to this effect;

Amendment

6. Stresses the need, in order to *respond to some of the legitimate public concerns raised in the context of the traditional invest to state dispute settlement*, to replace the *bilateral investment court systems* with a multilateral *investment* court to settle investment disputes, and welcomes the fact that the Council has just adopted a negotiating mandate to this effect;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses the need, in order to protect the public interest, to replace the arbitration courts with a multilateral court to settle investment disputes, *and welcomes the fact that the Council has just adopted a negotiating mandate to this effect;*

Amendment

6. Stresses the need, in order to protect the public interest, to replace the arbitration courts with a multilateral court to settle investment disputes that *shall respect judicial independency and the rule of law;*

Amendment 27
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Supports, in the light of the above, initiatives likely to *establish fair and undistorted conditions of competition, without excluding reasonable protection measures such as those already decided on by the Union in the fight against dumping to limit imports of some Chinese products.*

Amendment

7. Supports, in the light of the above, initiatives likely to *strengthen the welfare state, and* the fight against *economic, social and environmental* dumping;

Amendment 28
Jean-Marie Cavada, António Marinho e Pinto

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. *Supports, in the light of the above, initiatives likely to establish fair and undistorted conditions of competition, without excluding reasonable protection measures such as those already decided on by the Union in the fight against dumping to limit imports of some Chinese products.*

Amendment

7. *Welcomes Union* initiatives to establish *a fair balance between* undistorted competition *and* protection measures, such as *anti-dumping measures as regards third country* imports;

Amendment 29
Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Supports, *in the light of the above*, initiatives likely to establish fair and undistorted conditions of competition, without excluding reasonable protection measures such as those already decided on by the Union in the fight against dumping to limit imports of some Chinese products.

Amendment

7. Supports, initiatives likely to establish fair and undistorted conditions of competition, without excluding reasonable protection measures such as those already decided on by the Union in the fight against dumping to limit imports of some Chinese products;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Daniel Buda

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Emphasises that high European standards regarding social protection, working conditions, the environment, consumers and fundamental rights as a basis for the prosperity of the Union must be promoted through trade policy instruments deployed in accordance with sustainable development objectives; notes in this regard the need for the European Union to ensure that international agreements are based on the above standards, so as to ensure that globalisation benefits all Europeans and that its economic, social and environmental effects are beneficial for individuals and businesses both inside and outside Europe;

Or. ro

Amendment 31 Antanas Guoga

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses, in the light of the above, the need for the strengthening of global governance and global rules in order to avoid trade wars;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Notes that, as a reply to globalisation-induced job losses, a reform of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund is needed;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls on the European Commission to pay closer attention to internal policy measures adopted by certain EU partners that are likely to undermine the rule-based multilateral trading system and to take the necessary countermeasures;

Amendment 34
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls on the Commission to meet scepticism towards globalisation with a credible initiative on transparency and on strengthening the application of fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7c. Points out that the ratification and implementation of the ILO's core labour standards must be a precondition for the implementation of any agreement; notes that organised civil society and social partners should be included in the formative stages of agreements, the implementation phase and the monitoring phase after implementation via bilateral meetings with the negotiating partners; notes that in case of a breach of the sustainability provisions of an agreement, the dispute settlement mechanism must be accessible to civil society as well as the negotiating partners;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7c. Given that 45% of Europeans consider globalisation to be a threat, calls on the European Commission to launch a campaign to promote its positive aspects, especially in those regions where it is having a predominantly negative effect; calls on the Commission also to identify and implement the most effective measures to support small and medium-sized enterprises that are still suffering the effects of both the economic crisis and globalisation;

Or. ro

Amendment 37
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7d. Stresses that, in order to shield citizens more effectively from large-scale globalisation, the EU institutions must provide an effective and ongoing response to challenges in respect of privacy, data protection and cybersecurity;

Or. ro

Amendment 38
Kostas Chrysogonos

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7d. Notes that free, fair and sustainable trade is economically desirable and has vital political implications; notes that it is important for Europe to use trade as an instrument for the promotion of democratic and sustainable development across the world;

Or. en