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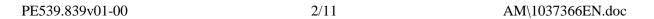
AMENDMENTS 1 - 19

Draft report Ingeborg Gräßle (PE539.838v01-00)

on the Court of Auditors' special reports in the context of the 2013 Commission discharge (2014/2140 (DEC))

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Amendment 1 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 51

Motion for a resolution

51. Welcomes that a commitment to improving EU Joint Programming since 2011 has been made in some 40 countries; points out however that coordination between the Commission and Member States in climate finance for developing countries still needs to be considerably improved to meet not only the 2020 commitment but also to allow the Union to stay a frontrunner in terms of climate actions;

Amendment

51. Welcomes that a commitment to improving EU Joint Programming since 2011 has been made in some 40 countries; points out however that coordination between the Commission and Member States in climate finance for developing countries still needs to be considerably improved to meet not only the 2020 commitment but also to allow the Union to stay a frontrunner in terms of climate actions *and to combat corruption in developing countries*;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 62 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62a. Welcomes the ongoing Commission efforts for the simplification of CAP; expects that simplification of eligibility criteria leads to simplification of control rules, and can contribute towards a lower error rate;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Petri Sarvamaa

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 63 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) that the effectiveness of the *Internal Management* and Control System (IACS) is adversely affected mainly by inaccurate databases used for cross-checks;

Amendment

(b) that the effectiveness of the *Integrated Administration* and Control System (IACS) is adversely affected mainly by inaccurate databases used for cross-checks:

Or. en

Amendment 4 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Urges the Commission and the Member States to ensure that payments are based on inspection results and that those *on-the-spot* inspections are of the necessary quality to determine eligible area in a reliable manner;

Amendment

66. Urges the Commission and the Member States to ensure that payments are based on inspection results and that those inspections are of the necessary quality to determine eligible area in a reliable *and consistent* manner;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Urges the Commission to ensure that the design and quality of the work performed by the *directors of* paying agencies and the certification bodies provide a reliable basis for the assessment of the legality and regularity of underlying transactions;

Amendment

67. Urges the Commission to ensure that the design and quality of the work performed by the paying agencies and the certification bodies provide a reliable basis for the assessment of the legality and regularity of underlying transactions; *maintains that in order to achieve this, the*

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Commission should work towards the goal of a single audit strategy for the CAP control system;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Petri Sarvamaa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 70 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to focus on cost-efficiency of controls as an area of importance, specifically by further developing the use of risk based controls;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Ingeborg Gräßle

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 127

Motion for a resolution

127. Considers that it is necessary to improve the actual supervision rules in order to include a closer supervision on national banks in those countries which adopted the euro but are not Member States such as the Vatican, Andorra, Monaco, and *Liechtenstein*;

Amendment

127. Considers that it is necessary to improve the actual supervision rules in order to include a closer supervision on national banks in those countries which adopted the euro but are not Member States such as the Vatican, Andorra, Monaco, and *San Marino*;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Marco Valli

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 127

Motion for a resolution

127. Considers that it is necessary to improve the actual supervision rules in order to include a closer supervision on national banks in those countries which adopted the euro but are not Member States such as the Vatican, Andorra, Monaco, *and Liechtenstein*:

Amendment

127. Considers that it is necessary to improve the actual supervision rules in order to include a closer supervision on national banks in those countries which adopted the euro but are not Member States such as the Vatican, Andorra *and* Monaco;

Or. it

Amendment 9 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 177

Motion for a resolution

177. Supports the Court's recommendation that the Commission should analyse how the budget allocated to the national support programmes (NSPs) for the period 2014–18 matches the needs of the Union wine sector, the absorption capacity of the Member States and readjust the budget where appropriate;

Amendment

177. Supports the Court's recommendation that the Commission should analyse how the budget allocated to the national support programmes (NSPs) for the period 2014–18 matches the needs of the Union wine sector, the absorption capacity of the Member States and readjust the budget where appropriate; invites the Commission to consider whether there is a need for extra financial tool for the wine sector compared to other agricultural sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 178 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

178a. Encourages the Commission to contribute to increased transparency of the wine promotion in the third countries by better system of controlling and monitoring of the funded projects; points out that this measure should also help to avoid double financing;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 236

Motion for a resolution

236. Is concerned that if the Commission and Member States do not agree on the main character of this part of the ISF, be it a solidarity mechanism or an instrument for the furtherance of the implementation of the Schengen acquis, Member States may still be inclined to use the funding for projects that they deem important from a national perspective, rather than seeking to contribute to consular co-operation, to Frontex operations or to emergency actions and specific actions which are of importance to the Schengen area as a whole;

Amendment

236. Therefore calls on the Member States to include the ISF into national strategies for border management in order to contribute to consular co-operation, to Frontex operations or to emergency actions and specific actions which are of importance to the Schengen area as a whole; urges the Commission and the Member States to improve their cooperation in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 238

Motion for a resolution

238. Expects that by earmarking parts of the available funds, it will be easier for Member States to develop and use relevant and measurable indicators for output, outcome and impact of the actions concerned; notes in this regard that both actions in the solidarity segment, and actions that are particularly relevant from a national perspective should only be funded if it can be demonstrated ex ante that they serve concrete and measurable objectives;

Amendment

238. Recommends to the Member States to develop and use relevant and measurable indicators for output, outcome and impact of the funded projects; stresses that high quality ex ante verifications should be in place to ensure that all funded projects serve concrete and measurable objectives and have added value; notes that ex post verifications would help to provide quality control mechanism;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 239

Motion for a resolution

239. Agrees with the Court that the work of Frontex should be more directly supported by the ISF by making the entering of at least part of the ISF cofinanced assets into Frontex's technical equipment pool obligatory;

Amendment

239. Points out that further EU added value can be achieved through additional contribution from the Member States to Frontex operations by making the entering of at least part of the ISF co-financed assets into Frontex's technical equipment pool obligatory;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 240

Motion for a resolution

240. Is worried about the irregularities found by the Court in the various national procurement policies and states that the exception clause for defence and security procurements may not be used in cases, where less restrictive procedures could have been used without compromising security;

Amendment

240. Is worried about the irregularities found by the Court in the various national procurement policies and states that the exception clause for defence and security procurements may not be used in cases, where less restrictive procedures could have been used without compromising security; recommends streamlining of the procurement procedures to ensure timely implementation of the funding;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 241 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

241a. Highlights the need to improve the standard of data collection on the funded projects on the national level in order to increase the degree of transparency;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Zigmantas Bal ytis

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 285

Motion for a resolution

285. Believes that Commission should ensure that it obtains consistent and reliable information from the Member States on the *progress of* the operational programmes in performance terms;

Amendment

285. Believes that Commission should ensure that it obtains consistent and reliable information from the Member States on the *use of ERDF's funding; this information should indicate* the

Operational Programmes' progress, not only in financial but also in performance terms:

Or. en

Amendment 17 Cláudia Monteiro de Aguiar

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 289

Motion for a resolution

289. Recommends that funding *only* be granted to financially viable airports;

Amendment

289. Recommends that funding be granted to financially viable airports and to regional airports taking account of other criteria in addition to economic viability, particularly territorial, social and economic cohesion in the most remote regions, such as the outermost regions provided for in Article 349 TFEU; calls on the Commission, in its assessment of regional and national transport plans, to take particular account, in the case of an airport in an outermost island region, of that airport's importance in terms of accessibility and citizens' mobility; points out, in this context, that one of the Transport White Paper's priorities is to reduce congestion, and regional airports thus have a significant part to play in making the sector more competitive;

Or. pt

Amendment 18 Cláudia Monteiro de Aguiar

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 290

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

290. Recommends to the Commission to

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examine all new projects in light of a catchment area analysis to ensure viability;

examine all new projects in light of a catchment area analysis to ensure viability, taking account in each case of the importance of regional airports for accessibility and mobility in the Union;

Or. pt

Amendment 19 Cláudia Monteiro de Aguiar

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 291

Motion for a resolution

291. Considers that the Commission should closely monitor, as a priority, Member States that the report identifies as having particularly problematic projects in the past;

Amendment

291. Considers that the Commission should closely monitor, as a priority, Member States that the report identifies as having particularly problematic projects in the past, without however forgetting that the period in question includes years of economic crisis;

Or. pt