

Amendment 13

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Report

A9-0374/2023

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Implementation of the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation
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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 2***Motion for a resolution*

2. Underlines the need to review the EU's external and development policies in light of the funding gap, the increasing inequalities between and within countries and global food insecurity; recognises ***the impact of geopolitical changes, in particular Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, the EU's new priorities, the enhanced importance of strategic partnerships with partner countries, aligned with the principle of Policy Coherence for Development, and the specific role of EU investments, which have to reflect both the values and interests of the EU and the interests of our partners; further stresses the need for this review to assess whether the Instrument's objectives of reducing poverty and inequalities and promoting human rights and the long-term sustainable development of partner countries are being met;***

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2. Underlines the need to review the EU's external and development policies in light of the funding gap, the increasing inequalities between and within countries and global food insecurity ***and to align Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI) policies with the principle of policy coherence for development under Article 208 TFEU, which states that development aid must have as its primary objective the reduction and, in the long term, the eradication of poverty;*** recognises the enhanced importance of ***global food security and food sovereignty in the context of wars, conflicts and climate change through local and sustainable agri-food production; calls for investing in equitable partnerships to increase food access and availability, bolster nutrition, improve farmers' livelihoods, create inclusive and gender-sensitive job opportunities, foster local added-value chains, and promote ownership, equitable fair access and sustainable management of natural (energy) resources;***

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 4***Motion for a resolution*

4. ***Welcomes the consolidation*** of most of the EU's external action in a single Instrument, ***gradually streamlining and harmonising the numerous previous instruments***; is of the opinion, ***however, that although*** this simplification ***has enhanced flexibility and efficiency***, it has not been accompanied by sufficient levels of effective accountability ***and transparency***; ***underlines, in this regard, that measures can only be considered effective when this can be proven by clear and comparable monitoring and evaluation mechanisms***; ***recalls the findings of the ECA's Special Report 14/2023, which pointed out that more than 20 % of the sampled indicators had either no baseline or an unclear baseline and 24 % had either no targets or unclear targets, while data sources in the multiannual indicative programmes (MIPs) were fragmented or missing***; ***calls on the Commission to make the use of Global Europe Results Framework indicators compulsory, which should be the norm, for measures throughout the entire implementation cycle of MIPs, namely planning, implementation and reporting of results, and to considerably increase the capacities of EU delegations***; ***emphasises that the Instrument should***

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4. ***Criticises the merging*** of most of the EU's external action ***into*** a single Instrument, ***since this has not led to more efficiency and effectiveness or increased transparency and parliamentary control***; ***criticises the fact that, on the contrary, this merging facilitates the full subordination of external EU funding to the security, geopolitical and economic interests of the EU***; ***points out that the results of this geopolitically driven approach can be seen in an exemplary way in the Sahel region***; ***stresses that the re-dedication and subordination of development and cooperation funds towards military, security and anti-migration programmes has not and will not increase stability or create peace, but will instead exacerbate conflicts and in fact reduce funds for real development tasks and assistance***; is of the opinion ***that*** this simplification has not been accompanied by sufficient levels of effective accountability;

provide for efficient, effective, coherent and inclusive implementation, underpinned by the ‘policy first’ principle and in line with the strategic interests and values of the EU and the priorities of partner countries; reiterates its call on the Commission to publish, at least biannually, an aid effectiveness progress report that consistently includes standardised, comprehensible and comparable indicators, covering joint planning, joint implementation and joint results frameworks; calls on the Commission to present this progress report to Parliament;

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 9***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

9. Calls for the MTE to assess, in particular, the extent to which funding has delivered tangible results in Africa, in line with the Instrument's objectives, the EU-Africa Strategy and the outcomes of and priorities set at the 6th African Union-EU Summit in 2022, and to examine whether a review of priorities and objectives is necessary; stresses that analysing the tangible results of the assistance provided, on the basis of clear indicators, is particularly important for adequately assessing the effectiveness of the use of funds; invites the Commission to make better use of the option to combine geographic envelopes for the benefit of pan-African programmes, as provided for in Article 4(2) of the Regulation establishing the Instrument, in support of EU-African Union commitments; underlines the necessity for the EU to continue to actively support the new African Continental Free Trade Area, including through this Instrument, building on its own experience in developing the European Single Market, in order to spur sustainable economic development, boost job creation, reduce poverty and increase shared prosperity in Africa; stresses the need to support African partner countries by harnessing the continent's great

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believes that, in particular, with regard to development policy, the MTE should assess the contribution to eradicating poverty, addressing social exclusion and inequality, promoting gender equality, climate change mitigation and adaptation, food sovereignty and the fight against hunger, and promoting development policies that strengthen human development, contribute to the creation of quality public education and health systems and protect the common goods of developing countries, such as water and natural resources;

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 14***Motion for a resolution*

14. ***Reaffirms*** the commitment outlined in the Instrument to addressing the root causes of ***irregular*** migration and ***forced*** displacement; is of the opinion that, ***without prejudice to unforeseen circumstances***, the commitment within the Instrument to dedicate an indicative 10 % of the Instrument's financial envelope ***to*** actions supporting ***the management and governance*** of migration ***and forced displacement within the objectives of the Instrument should be respected and that this clause should not be reopened***; notes, however, that 14 % of the funds committed in 2021 contributed to the migration spending target; expects to receive regular substantial updates on the state of play;

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14. ***Takes note of*** the commitment outlined in the Instrument to addressing the root causes of ***forced*** migration and displacement ***due to the geopolitical agenda of the EU***; is of the opinion that the commitment within the Instrument to dedicate an indicative 10 % of the Instrument's financial envelope ***to migration must be focused on*** actions supporting ***durable solutions and addressing the root causes*** of migration, ***on the establishment of a civilian EU search and rescue mission and on supporting the right to seek asylum in Europe***; rejects the further enhancing and financing of border management capacities and the fight against migration, which leads to the criminalisation of migrants and of those assisting them; believes that any EU migration-related actions supported by the NDICI should be human-rights compliant and ensure respect for development effectiveness principles; believes, as such, that the NDICI should be allocated without any conditionality requiring partner countries to cooperate on migration management, including return schemes; stresses that conditionality on development assistance, externalising the EU's migration policies and prioritising the EU's internal agenda

*around migration is detrimental for
migrants' rights and local development
and breaches the EU Treaties' principle
of policy coherence for development;*

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 24***Motion for a resolution*

24. Recalls Parliament's powers of political and budgetary control and consultation and stresses the role of the high-level geopolitical dialogue in providing general orientations for the implementation of the Instrument; stresses the importance of having detailed information about the budget that has been or will be executed; underlines that Parliament needs full and timely access to documents and must be able to monitor the impact of projects and the progress made on them in order to better evaluate their scope and impact, which is why it needs full access to standardised baseline and target indicators, as well as data sources; calls on the Commission to provide a consistent interinstitutional information flow, with Parliament being kept informed of investment projects, including Global Gateway projects, and to make the Result Management Framework fully available; reiterates that Parliament's positions need to be fully taken into consideration; further reiterates that Parliament resolutions constitute part of the overall policy framework for the implementation of the Instrument; urges the Commission to significantly improve the timely provision of documentation to Parliament in advance of the high-level geopolitical dialogue, as

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well as the way in which it takes into account Parliament's recommendations, notably by engaging in a written procedure after each dialogue indicating how it will follow up on each specific Parliament recommendation; ***deplores the fact that there is no meaningful parliamentary scrutiny, oversight, traceability or control of the Instrument in place; stresses that the exchange of and access to prior information when it comes to the programming and implementation process is not at all satisfactory and prevents parliamentary oversight; emphasises that the programming process must closely involve civil societies and local authorities of the respective countries and be based to a greater extent on decentralised cooperation in its conception, rollout and implementation, in order to establish solid and lasting partnerships, to meet the precise needs of populations and to take the social and economic realities of the people concerned into account;***

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