Amendment 17
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on behalf of the Renew Group

## Report A9-0053/2024

## Jan Olbrycht, Margarida Marques

Multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027 (Resolution) (2023/0201M(APP))

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

#### Motion for a resolution

Stresses that the draft Council 2. regulation amending the MFF is part of a package of legislation and that its adoption will enable rapid support to be provided to Ukraine and ensure reinforcements can be introduced *already* into the 2024 budget through an amending budget and for the remaining years of the MFF period; underlines that the MFF revision represents a clear improvement on the status quo, although some aspects contained in the draft Council regulation are manifestly not optimal, leaving the EU budget under pressure, with limited margins and flexibility, with cuts to key programmes and with reduced ambition in important futureoriented policy areas, such as sovereignty;

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Stresses that the draft Council regulation amending the MFF is part of a package of legislation and that its adoption will enable rapid support to be provided to Ukraine and ensure reinforcements can be introduced as soon as possible into the 2024 budget through an amending budget and for the remaining years of the MFF period; underlines that the MFF revision represents a clear improvement on the status quo, although some aspects contained in the draft Council regulation are manifestly regrettable, leaving the EU budget under pressure, with limited margins and flexibility, with cuts to key programmes such as Horizon Europe, EU4Health, as well as the cohesion policy and the common agricultural policy, and with reduced ambition in important futureoriented policy areas, such as sovereignty;

Or en

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

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19. Welcomes the fact that the draft Council regulation establishes an uncapped special instrument over and above the ceilings (the EURI instrument) to cover at least part of the NGEU borrowing cost shortfall, which will provide certainty to the financial markets; recalls that the shortfall is currently estimated at EUR 15 billion between 2025 and 2027; *underlines* that, without a revision of the MFF, any shortfall can only be met by cutting programmes and exhausting budgetary flexibility;

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19. Welcomes the fact that the draft Council regulation establishes an uncapped special instrument over and above the ceilings (the EURI instrument) to cover at least part of the NGEU borrowing cost shortfall, which will provide certainty to the financial markets; recalls that the shortfall is currently estimated at EUR 15 billion between 2025 and 2027; stresses that, without a revision of the MFF, any shortfall can only be met by cutting programmes and exhausting budgetary flexibility; is concerned, however, that the new mechanism to pay the NGEU interest payments will exhaust most of the available flexibilities and margins and will jeopardise the budget's response capacity; insists on the need to safeguard sufficient margins and flexibility in each annual procedure to ensure that the EU can respond to unforeseen events;

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution Title after Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Impact on the EU budget

Negative impact on the EU budget

Or. en

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 39

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39. Deeply regrets the reduction of the financial envelope for Horizon Europe by EUR 2.1 billion, which runs counter to Council's own stated objective of investing 3 % of Gross Domestic Product in research and development; point outs, however, that Parliament helped mitigate the impact of the cut to Horizon Europe by making available EUR 100 million of research decommitments under Article 15(3) of the Financial Regulation to the benefit of the programme, on top of the EUR 500 million already agreed in 2020; recalls that the reuse of research decommitments is a longstanding Parliament demand;

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39. Deeply regrets the reduction of the financial envelope for Horizon Europe by EUR 2.1 billion, which runs counter to Council's own stated objective of investing 3 % of Gross Domestic Product in research and development; insists that greater investment in European research and innovation (R&I) today is a prerequisite for Europe to secure its economic competitiveness tomorrow; notes that stepping up investment in R&I is necessary for Europe to retain or develop its technological leadership in sectors most impacted by the green and digital transitions; points out that cuts to European R&I activities are contrary to the promises made by EU leaders to boost the EU's competitiveness and strengthen its open strategic autonomy; point outs, however, that Parliament helped mitigate the impact of the cut to Horizon Europe by making available EUR 100 million of research decommitments under Article 15(3) of the Financial Regulation to the benefit of the programme, on top of the EUR 500 million already agreed in 2020; recalls that the re-use of research decommitments is a long-standing Parliament demand;

Or. en

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 40

#### Motion for a resolution

40. Recalls the importance of health policies and the clear political commitment in the 2020 MFF agreement to prioritise health funding; is, therefore, very disappointed by the cut of EUR 1 billion to EU4Health; considers that such a decision is likely to undermine preparedness for any further pandemic and curtail the Union's ability to support public health systems; points out, however, that, at Parliament's request, the spending profile of the programme has been adapted in order to mitigate the impact of the cut on practical implementation by spreading the effect of the reduction more evenly across the remaining years;

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40. Recalls the importance of health policies and the clear political commitment in the 2020 MFF agreement to prioritise health funding in light of the COVID-19 pandemic; is, therefore, very disappointed by the cut of EUR 1 billion to EU4Health, which represents more than a third of the programme's funds for 2025-2027; considers that such a decision is likely to undermine preparedness for any further pandemic and *health crisis and* curtail the Union's ability to support public health systems that are already suffering from cuts; points out, however, that, at Parliament's request, the spending profile of the programme has been adapted in order to mitigate the impact of the cut on practical implementation by spreading the effect of the reduction more evenly across the remaining years;

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