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Draft report
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Parliament’s right of initiative
(2020/2132(INI))
Amendment 1
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mițuța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution — having regard to its resolution of 15 January 2020 on the European Parliament’s position on the Conference on the Future of Europe,

Or. en

Amendment 2
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mițuța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution — having regard to its resolution of 18 June 2020 on the European Parliament’s position on the Conference on the Future of Europe,

Or. en

Amendment 3
Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution
Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

-A. whereas Article 15 of the TEU specifies that the European Council shall not exercise legislative functions;

Or. fr
Amendment 4
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas pursuant to Article 17(2) of the TEU, the right of initiative lies with the Commission, except where the Treaties state otherwise;

Amendment

A. whereas the European Parliament is the only institution democratically and directly elected by the citizens; whereas, contrary to the constitutional systems of most EU Member States, the European Parliament has no formal right of direct legislative initiative, which, pursuant to Article 17(2) of the TEU, lies with the Commission, except where the Treaties state otherwise;

Or. it

Amendment 5
Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas Article 48 of the TEU sets out the Treaty revision procedures, and whereas such procedures are necessary to give the European Parliament a new right of initiative;

Amendment

Aa. whereas it is the citizens who are

Or. fr

Amendment 6
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas it is the citizens who are
ultimately affected by European legislation and it is therefore essential to pay heed to and take into account their legitimate expectations;

Or. it

Amendment 7
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

_B. whereas the Treaties award an indirect right of legislative initiative as, pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU, ‘the European Parliament may, acting by a majority of its component Members, request the Commission to submit any appropriate proposal on matters on which it considers that a Union act is required for the purpose of implementing the Treaties’;_

Amendment

_B. whereas the Treaties award an indirect, _albeit extremely limited_, right of legislative initiative as, pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU, ‘the European Parliament may, acting by a majority of its component Members, request the Commission to submit any appropriate proposal on matters on which it considers that a Union act is required for the purpose of implementing the Treaties’; _whereas the European Parliament is the only institution directly elected by citizens_;_

Or. fr

Amendment 8
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

_D. whereas under the 2010 Framework Agreement, the Commission committed to report on the concrete follow-up on any Parliament request to submit a proposal pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU within 3 months following adoption of the corresponding resolution in plenary;_

Amendment

_D. whereas, the European Parliament's own-initiative reports and resolutions are an important tool for setting the EU political agenda; whereas, under the 2010 Framework Agreement, the Commission committed to report on the concrete follow-up on any Parliament request to submit a proposal pursuant to_
Article 225 of the TFEU within 3 months following adoption of the corresponding resolution in plenary;

Or. it

Amendment 9
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

D. whereas under the 2010 Framework Agreement, the Commission committed to report on the concrete follow-up on any Parliament request to submit a proposal pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU within 3 months following adoption of the corresponding resolution in plenary;

Amendment

D. whereas under the 2010 Framework Agreement, the Commission committed to report on the concrete follow-up on any Parliament request to submit a proposal pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU within 3 months following adoption of the corresponding resolution in plenary; whereas, in 20 years, the Commission has never respected the timetable for a legislative own-initiative report by drawing up a legislative proposal in due time¹.


Amendment 10
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

F. whereas the Treaties award

Amendment

F. whereas, while the Treaties award
Parliament direct rights of initiative with regard to its own composition, the election of its Members and their Statute, the Statute of the European Ombudsman and Parliament’s right of inquiry, instances where a special procedure applies, and in order to initiate procedures related to respect of the rule of law and Treaty revisions;

Parliament direct rights of initiative with regard to its own composition, the election of its Members and their Statute, the Statute of the European Ombudsman and Parliament’s right of inquiry, instances where a special procedure applies, and in order to initiate procedures related to respect of the rule of law and Treaty revisions, they effectively leave the Commission with a monopoly on the exercise of legislative initiative;

Or. it

Amendment 11
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

F. whereas the Treaties award Parliament direct rights of initiative with regard to its own composition, the election of its Members and their Statute, the Statute of the European Ombudsman and Parliament’s right of inquiry, instances where a special procedure applies, and in order to initiate procedures related to respect of the rule of law and Treaty revisions;

F. whereas the Treaties award Parliament direct rights of initiative with regard to its own composition, the election of its Members and their Statute, the Statute of the European Ombudsman and Parliament’s right of inquiry, instances where a special procedure applies, and in order to initiate procedures related to respect of the rule of law and Treaty revisions; whereas this direct right of initiative is far from sufficient; whereas the European Parliament is the only European institution democratically elected by the citizens of the European Union, and is thus the institution best able to represent the voice of citizens, and also of civil society and the social partners, within the European institutions;

Or. fr

Amendment 12
Fabio Massimo Castaldo
Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas giving the European Parliament direct power of initiative would rebalance the Union’s legislative process; whereas the Council is able to block proposals that fail to meet with the approval of all EU Member States; whereas, as indicated in the study commissioned by the Parliament's Committee on Constitutional Affairs on Parliament's right of initiative, empirical evidence shows that the success of Parliament's initiatives depends essentially on the decision-making procedure followed by the Council (qualified majority or unanimity);

Or. it

Amendment 13
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas in its resolution on the state of the debate on the future of Europe, Parliament recalled that ‘in the event of a possible future revision of the Treaties, the right of legislative initiative could also be attributed to Parliament as the direct representative of EU citizens’; whereas the Conference on the Future of Europe is, among other things, an opportunity to discuss Treaty change with citizens and to strengthen the tools for citizens’ direct participation;

Or. fr
Amendment 14
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

Ga. whereas on the digital platform of the Conference on the Future of Europe, European democracy is one of the issues which registers most contributions from citizens, alongside climate change and the environment, far ahead of other issues; whereas a genuine right of legislative initiative is one of the most frequently recurring proposals from citizens;

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Leila Chaibi

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

H. whereas in its resolution on possible evolutions of and adjustments to the current institutional set-up of the European Union, Parliament proposed ‘that in line with the common practice in a number of Member States, both chambers of the EU legislature, the Council and, in particular, the Parliament, as the only institution directly elected by citizens, should be given the right of legislative initiative, without prejudice to the basic legislative prerogative of the Commission’;

H. whereas in its resolution on possible evolutions of and adjustments to the current institutional set-up of the European Union, Parliament proposed ‘that in line with the common practice in a number of Member States, both chambers of the EU legislature, the Council and, in particular, the Parliament, as the only institution directly elected by citizens, should be given the right of legislative initiative, without prejudice to the basic legislative prerogative of the Commission’; whereas the Commission goes beyond its role as guardian of the Treaties;

Or. fr
Brando Benifei, Victor Negrescu, Domènec Ruiz Devesa

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment
H a. whereas strengthening the right of initiative should also be intended in a more open sense, meaning the necessity to work towards a more prominent role of the Parliament, being the only elected representative of the citizens, in the agenda setting of the Union, of which the right of legislative initiative is an essential element but not the only element, looking in particular at the extension of co-decision in all policy areas;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Recital H b (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment
H b. whereas the Parliament Rules of Procedure determine the rules for drafting and adopting resolutions under art 225 TFEU; whereas a distinction in practice exists between INI and INL reports; whereas framework agreement of 2010 and better law making agreement of 2016 do not make such distinction;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Recital H c (new)
Motion for a resolution

Amendment

H c. whereas art 225 TFEU grants Parliament a rather broad right to request to the Commission to submit any appropriate proposal, with the only condition that it should be adopted with a qualified majority of its component members;

Amendment 19
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Recital H d (new)

Amendment

H d. whereas, looking in particular at the current institutional set-up of the Union, the development of parallel avenues for enhancing the Parliament Right of Initiative, which means strengthening forms of interinstitutional cooperation as well as defining a clearer separation of powers, notably by granting Parliament a direct right of initiative, should be the ideal way forward;

Amendment 20
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa

Motion for a resolution
Recital H e (new)

Amendment

H e. whereas the EP has shown the capacity to produce a particularly ambitious legislative initiative on the issue of the rule of law, as adopted in October 2020, by inviting the Commission and the
Council to enter into negotiations with Parliament on an interinstitutional agreement in accordance with Article 295 TFEU; whereas the matter of rule of law should be highlighted as one of the key areas where the Parliament right of initiative should be developed;

Amendment 21
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Highlights that, in an institutional set-up where Parliament does not yet have a general direct right of initiative, the special legislative procedures that it initiates have special constitutional dignity and primacy over ordinary legislative procedures;

Amendment

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Amendment 22
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Highlights that, in an institutional set-up where Parliament does not yet have a general direct right of initiative, the special legislative procedures that it initiates have special constitutional dignity and primacy over ordinary legislative procedures; considers that in order to enable Parliament, as the only directly elected institution, to have a general direct right of initiative, the Treaties
should be revised as soon as possible;

Amendment 23
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

1a. Recalls the essential prerogatives of a Parliament, such as adopting the budget and proposing legislation; stresses that the Commission’s legislative monopoly has the effect of increasing citizens’ mistrust of the Union as a whole, and that the direct right of initiative is therefore a pressing need in order to give life to European democracy;

Amendment 24
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

2. Underlines that the Treaty of Lisbon already bestows direct rights of initiative on Parliament, acknowledging its competence to self-organise, its scrutiny function and its democratic legitimacy as the only directly elected EU institution;

Amendment 25
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

2. Underlines that the Treaty of Lisbon already bestows some direct rights of initiative on Parliament, although largely insufficient, acknowledging its competence to self-organise, its scrutiny function and its democratic legitimacy as the only directly elected EU institution;
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Recalls that in past 20 years, Parliament has consistently made use of such rights; regrets, however, that these special legislative procedures have too seldom been successfully concluded due to the lack of agreement of the Commission and the Council;  

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Amendment

3. Recalls that in past 20 years, Parliament has consistently made use of such rights, insufficient as they are; regrets, however, that these special legislative procedures have too seldom been successfully concluded due to the lack of agreement of the Commission and the Council and of democratic commitments on their part;  

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Or. fr

Amendment 26
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Recalls that in past 20 years, Parliament has consistently made use of such rights; regrets, however, that these special legislative procedures have too seldom been successfully concluded due to the lack of agreement of the Commission and the Council;  

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Amendment

3. Recalls that in past 20 years, Parliament has consistently made use of such rights; takes note, however, that these special legislative procedures have seldom been successfully concluded due to the lack of agreement of the Commission and the Council;  

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Or. en
Amendment 27
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment

3 a.  Suggests streamlining the procedures outlined in the Parliament Rules of Procedure for drafting and adopting resolutions under art 225 TFEU; considers that the distinction currently in practice between INI\(^{1a}\) and INL\(^{2a}\) reports should be eventually overcome to ensure that any request for legislative initiative to the Commission is adequately taken into account, always respecting the Interinstitutional Agreement, regardless of the parliamentary resolution that carries such request;

\(^{1a}\) Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament
\(^{2a}\) Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament

Or. en

Amendment 28
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution  Amendment

4.  Deeply regrets the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent calls for action;

deleted

Or. en
Amendment 29  
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Deeply regrets the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent calls for action;

Amendment

4. Recalls the 2016 and 2020 initiatives on the EU mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights; deeply regrets the consistent lack of proper response to Parliament’s initiative on the establishment of an EU mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights governed by an interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions, consisting of an annual cycle of monitoring covering all aspects of Article 2 of the TEU and applying in an equal, objective and fair manner to all Member States; reiterates its call on the Commission and the Council to enter without delay into negotiations with Parliament on the interinstitutional agreement; believes that the persistent deterioration of democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights in various Member States has shown the need for genuine interinstitutional cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 30  
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Deeply regrets the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent calls for action;

Amendment

4. Condemns the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent calls for action; deems it essential to ensure a full and immediate implementation of the Regulation
establishing the Rule of Law mechanism, without any undue delay and respecting the role of the Parliament as co-legislator and without any further additional implementing guidelines;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Deeply regrets the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent calls for action;

Amendment

4. Deeply regrets the lack of follow-up by the European Council on the rule of law procedure launched by Parliament and its subsequent, repeated calls for action;

Or. fr

Amendment 32
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

4 a. Reiterates its reasoned proposal on the existence of a clear risk of a serious breach by Hungary of the values on which the Union is founded; reiterates its deep concern that the standard modalities for hearings do not ensure equal treatment for Parliament, on the one hand, and the Commission and one third of the Member States, on the other, for presenting the reasoned proposal and access to information; expresses its regret that the hearings have not yet resulted in any significant progress on addressing clear risks of a serious breach of EU values; considers that the Union remains
structurally unprepared to counter the backsliding of democracy, fundamental rights and the rule of law and their violation in the Member States and points out that the Council’s failure to make effective use of Article 7 of the TEU continues to undermine the integrity of common European values, mutual trust, and the credibility of the Union as a whole;

Amendment 33
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

5. Regrets that three Member States have not yet ratified the amended electoral law of the European Union adopted in 2018;

Amendment 34
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

5. Regrets that three Member States have not yet ratified the amended electoral law of the European Union adopted in 2018;
Amendment 35
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Further regrets that the Council has to date refused to negotiate with Parliament regarding its right of inquiry, despite this contradicting Article 226 of the TFEU and the principle of sincere cooperation;

Amendment

6. Further regrets that the Council has to date refused to negotiate with Parliament regarding its right of inquiry, despite this contradicting Article 226 of the TFEU and the principle of sincere cooperation, leaving a provision of the Treaty non-implemented despite a duty to do so;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Further regrets that the Council has to date refused to negotiate with Parliament regarding its right of inquiry, despite this contradicting Article 226 of the TFEU and the principle of sincere cooperation;

Amendment

6. Further regrets that the Council has to date refused to negotiate with Parliament regarding its right of inquiry, despite this contradicting Article 226 of the TFEU and the principle of sincere cooperation, leaving a provision of the Treaty non-implemented despite a duty to do so;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Welcomes the adoption of the new Statute of the European Ombudsman, upon Parliament’s initiative, which

Amendment

7. Welcomes the adoption of the new Statute of the European Ombudsman, upon Parliament’s initiative, which

deleted
ensures that the statute is consistent with the Treaty of Lisbon;

Amendment 38
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

7 a. Proposes, that in line with the common practice in a number of Member States, the Parliament, as the only institution directly elected by the citizens, should be given the right of legislative initiative, without prejudice to the basic legislative prerogative of the Commission; strongly encourages the Parliament delegation to the Conference on the Future of Europe to highlight the importance of granting Parliament a direct right of initiative in the upcoming discussions in the plenary and working groups’ meetings of the Conference;

Amendment

8. Notes that the Council has exercised Article 121 of the TFEU as a de facto right of initiative in relation to economic and monetary policy, while demanding further accountability from Parliament as the only directly elected EU institution;

8. Notes that the Council has exercised Article 121 of the TFEU as a de facto right of initiative in relation to economic and monetary policy; regrets that Article 121 provides merely for the European Parliament to be informed; proposes that Parliament, as the only EU institution directly elected by citizens,
should acquire more responsibilities and, as co-legislator, should be on an equal footing with the Council, and thus empowered to adopt, amend and propose legislation to the same extent;

Or. fr

Amendment 40
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

8. Notes that the Council has exercised Article 121 of the TFEU as a de facto right of initiative in relation to economic and monetary policy, while demanding further accountability from Parliament as the only directly elected EU institution;

Or. ro

Amendment 41
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

9. Acknowledges, furthermore, that Article 68 of the TFEU has been exercised as a de facto right of initiative by the European Council in the area of freedom, security and justice; highlights the fact that the European Council is not a co-legislator; stresses the particularly serious impact of these policies on citizens’ fundamental rights and calls for Parliament and the Council to be given
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

9. Acknowledges, furthermore, that Article 68 of the TFEU has been exercised as a de facto right of initiative by the European Council in the area of freedom, security and justice; highlights the fact that the European Council is not a co-legislator; stresses the particularly serious impact of these policies on citizens’ fundamental rights and calls for Parliament and the Council to be given this competence in equal terms in future Treaty revisions;

Amendment 42
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

9. Calls for a review of the de facto right of initiative by the European Council under Article 68 TFEU in the area of freedom, security and justice; highlights the fact that the European Council is not a co-legislator and that the adoption by the European Council of multiannual operational programmes in this area without any obligation to consult the European Parliament or the Commission constitutes an undemocratic set of tools and procedures in an area where the impact of these policies on citizens’ fundamental rights is particularly serious; calls for Parliament and the Council to be given this competence in equal terms in future Treaty revisions;

Amendment 43
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

9. Acknowledges, furthermore, that Article 68 of the TFEU has been exercised as a de facto right of initiative by the European Council in the area of freedom, security and justice; highlights the fact that
the European Council is not a co-legislator; stresses the particularly serious impact of these policies on citizens’ fundamental rights and calls for Parliament and the Council to be given this competence in equal terms in future Treaty revisions;

Amendment 44
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Notes that pursuant to Article 76 of the TFEU, the Council, through a quarter of its Member States, has a right of initiative that is concurrent with that of the Commission in relation to cooperation on administrative law, and police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters;

Amendment

10. Notes that pursuant to Article 76 of the TFEU, the Council, through a quarter of its Member States, has a right of initiative that is concurrent with that of the Commission in relation to cooperation on administrative law, and police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters; considers that the European Parliament, as the only institution directly elected by citizens, must have a direct right of initiative in this area;

Amendment 45
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

10 a. Notes that these developments are part of a wider trend whereby aforementioned institutions increasingly usurp decision-making power in all EU policy fields; stresses that this practice erodes the institutional balance of the EU as established by the Treaties; believes
that the balance should be restored in favour of democratic legitimacy through equivalent rights for Parliament;
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

11. *Notes with concern* the lack of transparency in the use of the indirect right of initiative of the Council laid down in Article 241 of the TFEU; calls on the Council to publish, in a user-friendly manner, all requests made on this legal basis;

Amendment

11. *Regrets* the lack of transparency in the use of the indirect right of initiative of the Council laid down in Article 241 of the TFEU; calls on the Council to publish, in a user-friendly manner, all requests made on this legal basis; *insists on its call to the Council to ensure the highest possible level of transparency in all its acts, as outlined in the Parliament report on the Ombudsman’s strategic inquiry OI/2/2017 on the transparency of legislative discussions in the preparatory bodies of the Council of the EU adopted in December 2018*

Or. en

Amendment 49
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

12. Recalls that since the Maastricht Treaty, Parliament, in an acknowledgement of its unique democratic legitimacy, has had the right to ask the Commission to submit legislative proposals;

Amendment

12. Recalls that since the Maastricht Treaty, Parliament, in an acknowledgement of its unique democratic legitimacy, has had the right to ask the Commission to submit legislative proposals; *considers that asking the Commission to submit legislative proposals is an insufficient right and that Parliament must have a direct right of initiative;*

Or. fr

Amendment 50
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

13. Notes that in accordance with Article 225 of the TFEU, requests must be within the remit of competence of the Union and the sole obligation of the Commission is to inform Parliament of its reasons for not presenting a proposal; believes that the Commission should commit to initiate legislation following the adoption of any request by the Parliament adopted by the majority of its component members within any legislative own-initiative report;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

13. Notes that in accordance with Article 225 of the TFEU, requests must be within the remit of competence of the Union and the sole obligation of the Commission is to inform Parliament of its reasons for not presenting a proposal; considers this obligation to be far too weak;

Or. fr

Amendment 52
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14
Motion for a resolution

14. Recalls that Parliament and the Commission agreed to further enhance this right through the 2010 Framework Agreement; notes that the Commission committed to report on its follow-up on Parliament requests within three months and, if so decided by the college, present a legislative proposal;

Amendment

14. Recalls that Parliament and the Commission agreed to further enhance this right through the 2010 Framework Agreement; notes that the Commission committed to report on its follow-up on Parliament requests within three months and, if so decided by the college, present a legislative proposal; considers that all requests from Parliament, which is the only directly elected institution, should be taken into account and that they should not depend on the goodwill of the Commission; considers, more broadly, that the Commission should comply with its role as guardian of the Treaties and that Parliament should enjoy the monopoly of legislative initiative;

Or. fr

Amendment 53
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Recalls that Parliament and the Commission agreed to further enhance this right through the 2010 Framework Agreement; notes that the Commission committed to report on its follow-up on Parliament requests within three months and, if so decided by the college, present a legislative proposal;

Amendment

14. Recalls that Parliament and the Commission agreed to further enhance this right through the 2010 Framework Agreement; notes that the Commission committed to report on its follow-up on Parliament requests within three months and, if so decided by the college, present a legislative proposal; believes that time has come to show a more ambitious political will and therefore calls for a review of the Interinstitutional Agreement with the goal of ensuring a stronger EP rights of initiative;

Or. en
Amendment 54
Sandro Gozi, Maïte Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

15. Regrets that, until 2019, the follow-up on Parliament’s legislative initiative reports adopted pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU showed that the Commission had only delivered legislative proposals following Parliament requests in a minority of cases; further regrets that the deadlines for the Commission to respond to Parliament requests and to put forward legislative proposals were not adhered to in most cases;

15. Regrets that, until 2019, the follow-up on Parliament’s legislative initiative reports adopted pursuant to Article 225 of the TFEU showed that the Commission had only delivered legislative proposals following Parliament requests in a minority of cases; further regrets that the deadlines for the Commission to respond to Parliament requests and to put forward legislative proposals were practically never adhered to;

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8 Study entitled ‘The European Parliament’s right of initiative’, p. 54 (see footnote 7 above).

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Amendment 55
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

16. Welcomes in the strongest terms the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles;

16. Welcomes the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles; expects this commitment to be followed by action;

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Or. en
Amendment 56
Brando Benifei, Domènech Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

16. Welcomes in the strongest terms the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles; expects however a more significant effort by the Commission beyond the simple commitment of complying with already existing agreements;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

16. Welcomes in the strongest terms the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles;

Amendment

16. Welcomes in the strongest terms the commitment made by Commission President von der Leyen to always respond with a legislative act to Parliament requests under Article 225 of the TFEU, with full respect for the proportionality, subsidiarity and better lawmaking principles; believes that this commitment should be translated into legal by amending the 2010 Framework Agreement on relations between the European Parliament and the European Commission and the 2016 Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making between the European Parliament, the Council of the EU and the Commission in order to strengthen Parliament’s power to influence the EU agenda;
Amendment 58
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16a. Welcomes the new legislative powers and equal treatment with the Council that the Lisbon Treaty has conferred on the European Parliament; believes that the European Parliament, as the only EU body expressing the will of the citizens and making their voices heard, should be continually empowered and given a greater role in the election, formation and evaluation of the European Commission and in overseeing the operations of the Recovery and Resilience Facility;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16 a. Suggests that, before the next revision of the Treaties, inter-institutional arrangements are put in place in order to better regulate the areas where the Parliament already has a right of initiative with a view to ensure that these procedures are more efficient;

Or. en
Amendment 60
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Amendment

17 a. Believes that the reflection about the right of initiative of the Parliament has to go hand in hand with a wider reflection on political initiative within the EU decision-making process; suggests to improve the mechanism to follow-up on European Citizens Initiatives, notably by introducing a procedure according to which, in the event that the Commission, within the given deadlines, has failed to publish its intentions, or has set out in a communication that it intends not to take action on a European citizens’ initiative (ECI) which has met the procedural requirements and is in line with the Treaties, in particular the core values of the Union enshrined in Article 2 of the TEU, Parliament could decide to follow up the ECI with a legislative own-initiative report (INL);

Or. en

Amendment 61
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Amendment

17a. Proposes that the entire college of Commissioners work closely with the European Parliament at every stage in the drafting and debating of resolutions; stresses the importance of the Commissioners keeping Parliament constantly updated during all negotiations at international level; calls on the European Commission to incorporate into
its legislative activity the recommendations set out in own-initiative European Parliament resolutions; calls on the EC to provide the European Parliament with clear details regarding the implementation of EU legislation;

Or. ro

Amendment 62
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

17 a. Stresses however the need for an increased level of scrutiny by the Parliament over the activity of the Commission and the importance of a better level of transparency in the decision-making process prior to the presentation of legislative initiatives, in the light of the substantial relationship of trust that must bind the Commission and the Parliament, as the sole body directly elected by the Citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

17 b. Suggests to substantially improve the involvement of the Parliament in the setting of the Commission Work Programme, for example by putting in place a joint procedure;

Or. en
Amendment 64
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to initiate legislation;

18. Strongly believes that if the Treaties are next revised, a proposal to grant Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, the right to initiate legislation should be in any event preceded by a popular referendum in all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Sandro Gozi, Maïté Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to initiate legislation;

18. Strongly believes that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted a genuine and general right to initiate legislation; such right of initiative should at least apply in those policy fields in which Parliament is empowered to enact legislation as co-legislator;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to initiate legislation;

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Amendment 67
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to initiate legislation;

regards the Conference on the Future of Europe as an opportunity to address the shortcomings of the current arrangements in terms of the legislative balance of power, recommend amendments to the Treaties and redress the growing imbalance between the institutions;

Or. it

Amendment 68
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should

18. Strongly believes that when the Treaties are next revised, Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution and hence the one that represents the voice of the citizens in the EU decision-making process, must be granted the right to initiate legislation; takes the view that more democratic and effective action at EU level must be the common objective of the Commission and Parliament;

Or. ro
be granted the right to initiate legislation; directly elected EU institution, should be granted a monopoly on the right to initiate legislation; calls for Article 17(2) of the TEU to be revised in order to give Parliament a monopoly on legislative initiative, enabling it to make legislative proposals on all matters it considers relevant and on which the European Union is competent; calls also for an urgent revision of Articles 225 and 294 in order to give Parliament full responsibility, from the earliest stage, enabling it to make legislative proposals;

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

18a. Notes that, although there are many possible arrangements for increasing Parliament’s legislative powers, the best option to guarantee it a genuine right of legislative initiative remains Treaty change, without which the Commission will retain its legislative monopoly as laid down in European law; stresses that the Conference on the Future of Europe is the opportunity to raise this institutional and democratic issue; is therefore in favour of Treaty change;

Or. fr

Amendment 70
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19
19. **Is deeply convinced** that a general and direct right of initiative would further strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens; believes that it would reflect the evolution over time of the competences of the Union and its institutions, and is of the opinion that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to propose legislation, as national parliaments may, when the Treaties are next revised;

19. **Observes** that a general and direct right of initiative of the Parliament could further strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens, as the only directly elected EU institution;

Amendment 71
Leila Chaibi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

19. **Is deeply convinced** that a general and direct right of initiative would further strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens; stresses that Parliament's lack of power is particularly damaging for democracy, especially in the area of trade agreements; calls, therefore, for the Treaties, and in particular Article 207 of the TFEU, to be amended so that the Commission submits recommendations to the Council and also to Parliament, in order for them to authorise it to open the necessary negotiations; considers that it is not solely for the Council and the Commission to ensure that negotiated agreements are compatible with the Union's policies and internal rules, in particular with the Green Deal; adds that these negotiations could be conducted by the Commission in consultation with a special committee appointed by the Council and Parliament to assist it in this task or by an
interinstitutional team involving the Commission, the Council and Parliament; believes that it would reflect the evolution over time of the competences of the Union and its institutions, and is of the opinion that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to propose legislation, as national parliaments may, when the Treaties are next revised;

Amendment 72
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution
19. Is deeply convinced that a general and direct right of initiative would further strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens; believes that it would reflect the evolution over time of the competences of the Union and its institutions, and is of the opinion that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to propose legislation, as national parliaments may, when the Treaties are next revised;

Amendment
19. Is deeply convinced that a general and direct right of initiative would further strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens; believes that it would reflect the evolution towards a genuine European democracy, and is of the opinion that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to propose legislation and policy initiatives, as national parliaments may;

Amendment 73
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution
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strengthen the democratic legitimacy of the Union and empower Union citizens; believes that it would reflect the evolution over time of the competences of the Union and its institutions, and is of the opinion that Parliament, as the only directly elected EU institution, should be granted the right to propose legislation, as national parliaments may, when the Treaties are next revised; believes also that conferral of a right of initiative on the European Parliament should be accompanied by a shift from unanimity to qualified majority voting in the Council, thereby preventing the latter from blocking proposals that fail to meet with the approval of all EU Member States;
Amendment 75
Sandro Gozi, Maïté Pagazautundúa, Alin Mituța, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

19 a. Welcomes in the strongest terms the support from Commission President von der Leyen for a right of initiative for the European Parliament, as expressed during her speech on the eve of her election as President of the Commission;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 76
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers that such an exclusive right should be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy is especially relevant;

Amendment

20. Considers that the exclusive rights of initiative of Parliament such as those that already exist, could be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy is especially relevant;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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Amendment 78
Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers that such an exclusive right should be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy is especially relevant;

Amendment

20. Reiterates that the areas in which it has a direct right of initiative are currently limited to issues of a constitutional nature; believes that this direct right of initiative should be extended to all areas;

Or. fr

Amendment 79
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers that such an exclusive right should be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy is especially relevant;

Amendment

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers therefore that such an exclusive right should be extended to all issues it considers to be relevant and on which the European Union is competent, in order to give strong democratic legitimacy to the legislative proposals of the European union;
Amendment 80
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers that such an exclusive right should be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy is especially relevant;

Amendment

20. Reiterates the special and reinforced constitutional dignity of the issues that are currently subject to the initiative of Parliament and considers that such an exclusive right should be extended to issues where democratic legitimacy and European sovereignty are especially relevant, such as on rule of law, taxation, own resources;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

21. Notes that Parliament's current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, with full respect for its special constitutional dignity;

Amendment
deleted

Or. en

Amendment 82
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck
21. Notes that Parliament’s current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, *with full respect for its special constitutional dignity*;
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Amendment 85
Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Brando Benifei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Notes that Parliament’s current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, with full respect for its special constitutional dignity;

Amendment

21. Notes that Parliament’s current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, with full respect for its special constitutional dignity; considers that in cases in which Parliament exercises the right of direct initiative, such as on the regulations relating to its own composition, the election of its Members and the general conditions for the exercise of its functions, and the statute of the Ombudsman as well as the constitution of temporary committees of inquiry, it is necessary to contemplate measures in a future Interinstitutional Agreement to avoid the Council’s refusal to negotiate with the Parliament;

Or. fr

Or. en
Amendment 86  
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 21

21. Notes that Parliament’s current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, with full respect for its special constitutional dignity;

Amendment

21. Notes that Parliament’s current rights of initiative encompass different special legislative procedures; considers that the Treaties barely regulate such procedures and calls for a new interinstitutional agreement between the three institutions devoted exclusively to this matter, with full respect for its special constitutional dignity; believes therefore that the extension of co-decision to all possible policy areas and the definition of a uniform legislative procedure where Parliament enjoys the right of initiative should be seen as complementary processes;

Or. en

Amendment 87  
Leila Chaibi  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 22

22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in certain areas, such as the budget; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

Amendment

22. Recalls that the Commission is not elected and that it therefore has no legitimacy to have a right of initiative; recalls the Commission’s role as guardian of the Treaties; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

Or. fr
Amendment 88
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in certain areas, such as the budget; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

Or. it

Amendment 89
Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in certain areas, such as the budget; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

Or. fr

Amendment 90
Jaak Madison, Laura Huhtasaari, Gunnar Beck, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in certain areas, such as the budget; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in the area of the budget; could also envisage that the Council would have a direct right of initiative in strictly defined areas;

Or. fr
22. Considers that the recognition of a direct right of initiative of Parliament would not exclude the possibility of the Commission retaining a concurrent right or keeping a monopoly of initiative in certain areas, such as the budget; could also envisage that in exceptional areas, the Council would also have a monopoly of initiative;

Amendment 91
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

23. Considers that Parliament’s internal rules should better reflect the special nature of these legislative procedures; recommends, notably, that where the adoption of an act by Parliament requires the approval or consent of the Council and the opinion or consent of the Commission, Parliament should, following the vote on the proposed act, enter into a consultation procedure with these institutions; is also of the opinion that Parliament should streamline the procedures to change such proposed acts following such consultations;

Amendment 92
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Charles Goerens

23. Considers that Parliament’s internal rules should better reflect the special nature of these legislative procedures; considers that Parliament’s position should, in all cases, take precedence over that of the Commission; is also of the opinion that Article 289 of the TFEU should be amended so that the special legislative procedure provided for in paragraphs 1 and 2 becomes the norm, i.e. that the ordinary legislative procedure consists of the adoption of a regulation, directive or decision jointly by the European Parliament and the Council, on a proposal from one of the two; is also of the opinion that this will simplify the procedures as they will be more usual and more transparent for citizens, civil society and the social partners;
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Amendment
23 a. Considers that, where equivalent rights of initiative concur, an interinstitutional framework should be set up to enable the coordination of policy initiatives; calls on the three institutions to reflect on how concurrent rights of initiative could effectively co-exist and be implemented in practice;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Amendment
24. Commits to fully exploit the potential of Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Amendment
24. Commits to continue exploring and developing the full potential of Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements.

Or. en
agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen; developed in interinstitutional agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen;

Amendment 95
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

24. Commits to continue exploring the full potential of Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen;

24. Commits, in the short term, to continue exploring the full potential of Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements, provided that the goodwill expressed by Commission President von der Leyen and the commitments made by the Commission are translated into practice;

Or. fr

Amendment 96
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

24. Commits to continue exploring the full potential of Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen;

24. Commits to further strengthen Parliament’s indirect right of initiative as provided for in the Treaties and further developed in interinstitutional agreements and through the commitment of President von der Leyen; calls on the Commission and the Council to jointly evaluate the functioning of the 2010 Framework Agreement and to engage in discussions on a revision to ensure its provisions and timeframes can be effectively upheld;
Amendment 97
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Considers it appropriate to review its internal rules, procedures and requirements, also with regard to the drafting of legislative initiative reports under Article 225 of the TFEU to ensure that proposals are focused and well-substantiated; points, in this regard, to the need to address requests to the Commission alone and to ensure that the content of legislative initiative reports remains within the scope of the subject matter of the authorised report;

Amendment

25. Considers it appropriate to review its internal rules and procedures with a view to establishing a direct right of initiative of the European Parliament and, in the short term, with regard to the drafting of legislative initiative reports under Article 225 of the TFEU to ensure that proposals are focused and well-substantiated; points, in this regard, to the need to address requests to the Commission, while not excluding recommendations to the Member States, and to ensure that the content of legislative initiative reports remains within the scope of the subject matter of the report as decided;

Or. fr

Amendment 98
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Considers it appropriate to review its internal rules, procedures and requirements, also with regard to the drafting of legislative initiative reports under Article 225 of the TFEU to ensure that proposals are focused and well-substantiated; points, in this regard, to the need to address requests to the Commission alone and to ensure that the

Amendment

25. Considers it appropriate to review its internal rules, procedures and requirements, also with regard to the drafting of legislative initiative reports under Article 225 of the TFEU to ensure that proposals are focused and well-substantiated; points, in this regard, to the need to address requests to the Commission alone and to ensure that the
content of legislative initiative reports remains within the scope of the subject matter of the authorised report; underlines that the adoption of focused and well-substantiated reports under Article 225 of the TFEU by the Parliament requires that the necessary technical and administrative capacity therefor is ensured;

Amendment 99
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Amendment

25 a. Recognises that legislative own-initiative reports (INL) find their basis in Art. 225 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union, and therefore commits to favour these instruments as the primary means to request the submission of legislative proposals by the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 100
Leila Chaibi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Amendment

26. Notes the importance of ensuring close cooperation with the Commission throughout the life cycle of legislative initiative reports; highlights the roles of the Conference of Committee Chairs and the Conference of Presidents in this regard;

Or. en
Amendment 101
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

26. Notes the importance of ensuring close cooperation with the Commission throughout the life cycle of legislative initiative reports; highlights the roles of the Conference of Committee Chairs and the Conference of Presidents in this regard;

Amendment
26. Notes the importance of ensuring close cooperation with the Commission throughout the life cycle of legislative initiative reports, so as to ensure that the process is as effective, transparent and inclusive as possible; highlights the roles of the Conference of Committee Chairs and the Conference of Presidents in this regard;

Amendment 102
Sandro Gozi, Maïte Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

26 a. Calls for the extension of the 3-month timeframe for the response of the Commission established by Art. 16 of the 2010 Framework Agreement; Considers that a more realistic timeframe might improve the overall credibility of the process, as well as improve the quality of the response by the Commission;

Amendment 103
Sandro Gozi, Maïte Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

27. Believes that the Commission, when assessing the subsidiarity, proportionality and better lawmaking principles as part of its follow-up on Parliament requests for legislative proposals under Article 225 of the TFEU, should take due account of the accompanying analyses concerning ‘European added value’ and the ‘cost of non-Europe’ produced by Parliament; points out that under the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, the Commission is already obliged to respond to any issues raised by the co-legislators in relation to such analyses; believes, furthermore, that the Commission should clearly refer to Parliament’s proposals under Article 225 of the TFEU when such proposals are followed by a legislative initiative;

Amendment

27. Believes that the Commission, when assessing the subsidiarity, proportionality and better lawmaking principles as part of its follow-up on Parliament requests for legislative proposals under Article 225 of the TFEU, should take due account of the accompanying analyses concerning ‘European added value’ and the ‘cost of non-Europe’ produced by Parliament; points out that under the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, the Commission is already obliged to respond to any issues raised by the co-legislators in relation to such analyses; believes, furthermore, that the Commission should clearly link draft proposals adopted under Article 225 of the TFEU to the relevant INL or INI reports, providing a clear “legislative influence footprint”;

Amendment 104
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Miituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

27 a. Commits to foster a stronger coordination with the Committee of the Regions and with the Economic and Social Committee by giving due account to their opinions into legislative own-initiative reports. Believes that, given the specific nature of these requests, a revised Framework Agreement should incentivize the Commission to transpose these own-initiative reports into a legislative proposal;
Amendment 105
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

28. Reiterates that accessibility and transparency are paramount and must guide the activities of all the EU institutions; calls for all the relevant information on legislative initiative reports to be made easily available online, such as internal procedural steps or follow-up by the Commission;

Amendment
28. Reiterates that accessibility, ethics and transparency are paramount and must guide the activities of all the EU institutions; calls for all the relevant information on legislative initiative reports, such as internal procedural steps or follow-up by the Commission, to be made easily available online in all official languages;

Or. fr

Amendment 106
Sandro Gozi, Maïte Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituţa, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
28 a. Believes that, in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EU) 2019/788, in the event that the Commission, within the given deadlines, has failed to publish its intentions, or has set out in a communication that it intends not to take action on a European citizens’ initiative (ECI) which has met the procedural requirements and is in line with the Treaties, in particular the core values of the Union enshrined in Article 2 of the TEU, Parliament could decide to follow up the ECI with a legislative own-initiative report (INL); urges the Commission to commit itself to submitting a legislative proposal following Parliament’s adoption of such an INL;
Amendment 107
Brando Benifei, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Reiterates the importance of the pre-legislative phase and recalls the role of Parliament as provided for in the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making and the 2010 Framework Agreement; calls for work on the establishment of a joint legislative database to be sped up, as stipulated in the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making;

Amendment

29. Reiterates the importance of the pre-legislative phase and recalls the role of Parliament as provided for in the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making and the 2010 Framework Agreement; calls for work on the establishment of a joint legislative database to be sped up, as stipulated in the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making; calls to urgently start interinstitutional talks in order to open a review of the Interinstitutional Agreement;

Amendment 108
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

29a. Regrets that, as regards dialogue between the social partners at EU level, Parliament is merely kept informed, in accordance with Article 155 of the TFEU; stresses that a revision of the Framework Agreement should be the opportunity to provide for a de facto obligation on the Commission to present a legislative proposal on the basis of their request
Amendment 109
Gwendoline Delbos-Corfield

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29 a. Suggests, as part of the Conference on the Future of Europe, studying the possibility of introducing mechanisms of direct participation, such as citizens’ assemblies, in order to grant EU citizens the opportunity to express themselves and thereby engage in the EU law-making process;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29 a. Considers it essential to increase Parliament's role through the conferral of full co-decision powers and by ending the unanimity requirement regarding social policies;

Or. ro

Amendment 111
Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 b (new)
Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29b. Supports an autonomous mechanism of the European Parliament to include national parliaments in its legislative initiative within the framework of Article 9 of Protocol 1 of the Lisbon Treaty;

Or. fr

Amendment 112
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Recalls the importance of citizens’ and civil society participation for the democratic legitimacy of the EU; calls on all EU institutions to involve them in a meaningful way in decision-making at all stages of the policy cycle;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Alin Mituța, Pascal Durand, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 b. Recalls that the Conference on the Future of Europe provides the opportunity to assess the EU’s institutional status quo and give new impetus to European democracy; calls on all participants to the Conference to consider a genuine right of initiative for the European Parliament;