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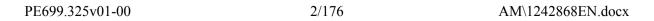
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# AMENDMENTS 1-330

**Draft report Domènec Ruiz Devesa**(PE693.622v03-00)

Modification of the Act concerning the election of the Members of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage pursuant to Article 223(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (2020/2220(INL))

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# Amendment 1 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Citation 1

Motion for a resolution

— having regard to the Declaration of 9 May 1950 that proposed the creation of the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) as a first step in the federation of Europe,

#### Amendment

having regard to the Declaration of
 May 1950 that proposed the creation of
 the European Coal and Steel Community
 (ECSC),

Or. en

Amendment 2

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Citation 3

Motion for a resolution

— having regard to the Treaties and in particular to Articles 9, 10, 14 and 17(7) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) and to Articles 20, 22, 223(1) and 225 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), and to Article 2 of Protocol No 1 on the role of national parliaments in the European Union,

#### Amendment

having regard to the Treaties and in particular to Articles 2, 3, 9, 10, 14 and 17(7) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) and to Articles 8, 20, 22, 223(1) and 225 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), and to Article 2 of Protocol No 1 on the role of national parliaments in the European Union,

Or. en

Amendment 3 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 8

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Motion for a resolution	Amendment
— having regard to its <i>resolution</i> of 6 November 2020 on stocktaking of European elections <sup>7</sup> ,	— having regard to its <i>report</i> of 6 November 2020 on stocktaking of European elections <sup>7</sup> ,
<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P9_TA(2020)0327.	<sup>7</sup> Texts adopted, P9_TA(2020)0327.
	Or. er
Amendment 4 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, B Číž	Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia, Miroslav
Motion for a resolution Citation 11 a (new)	
Motion for a resolution	Amendment
	— having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ratified by the EU in 2010, and by all Member States, and Article 29 thereof on participation in political and public life,
	Or. er
Amendment 5 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, B Číž	Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia, Miroslav
Motion for a resolution Citation 11 b (new)	
Motion for a resolution	Amendment
	— having regard to Commission Communication (2021)101 of 3 March 2021 entitled "Union of Equality: Strategy for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2021-2030",

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Or. en

Amendment 6

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Citation 13

Motion for a resolution

— having regard to the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (Charter), and in particular Articles 11, 23 and 39 thereof,

Amendment

— having regard to the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (Charter), and in particular Articles 11, *21*, 23 and 39 thereof,

Or. en

Amendment 7 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

having regard to the European
 Pillar of Social Rights, and in particular
 its principle 1,

Or. en

Amendment 8 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and in particular Article 25 thereof,

Or. en

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Amendment 9 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Or. en

Amendment 10 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the European Economic and Social Committee's information report of March 2019 on the reality of the right to vote in European elections for people with disabilities<sup>1a</sup>,

Or. en

Amendment 11 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1a</sup> https://www.eesc.europa.eu/fr/our-work/opinions-information-reports/la-realite-du-droit-de-vote-aux-elections-europeennes-pour-les-personnes-handicapees-rapport-dinformation

# on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Citation 13 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

— having regard to the work of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) on gender equality, in particular its action plan for gender-sensitive parliaments,

Or. en

Amendment 12 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the State of the Union 2021 speech in which Ursula von der Leyen announces that the year 2022 will be the year of youth,

Or. en

Amendment 13 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 13 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the Commission's proposal for the European Year of Youth 2022,

Or. en

# Amendment 14 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital A

#### Motion for a resolution

A. whereas since 1976, when the European Electoral Act paved the way for the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage for the first time, the EP has continuously requested the reform of EU electoral *law* and moves towards a more *a genuine, uniform and European electoral* procedure;

#### Amendment

A. whereas since 1976, when the European Electoral Act paved the way for the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage for the first time, the EP has continuously requested the reform of EU electoral *act* and moves towards a more *democratic* procedure;

Or. en

# Amendment 15 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital A

#### Motion for a resolution

A. whereas since 1976, when the European Electoral Act paved the way for the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage for the first time, the EP has continuously requested the reform of EU electoral law and moves towards a more a genuine, uniform and European electoral procedure;

#### Amendment

A. whereas since 1976, when the European Electoral Act paved the way for the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage for the first time, the EP has continuously requested the reform of EU electoral law and moves towards a more a genuine, uniform and European electoral procedure; whereas electoral law falls within the competence of the Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

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#### Amendment

A. whereas since 1976, when the European Electoral Act paved the way for the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage for the first time, the EP has continuously requested the reform of EU electoral law and moves towards a genuine, *more harmonised* and European electoral procedure;

Or. fr

Amendment 17 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

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#### Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 18 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital B

### Motion for a resolution

# B. whereas the Lisbon Treaty has offered a *positive* step forward by confirming the right of the EP to initiate a proposal on the Electoral Act as well as on its composition;

#### Amendment

B. whereas the Lisbon Treaty has offered a step forward by confirming the right of the EP to initiate a proposal on the Electoral Act as well as on its composition;

Or. en

# Amendment 19 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the Lisbon Treaty has offered a *positive* step forward by confirming the right of the EP to initiate a proposal on the Electoral Act as well as on its composition;

#### Amendment

B. whereas the Lisbon Treaty has offered a step forward by confirming the right of the EP to initiate a proposal on the Electoral Act as well as on its composition;

Or. en

# Amendment 20 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas other important changes in the Lisbon Treaty concerned in particular the wording of Article 14 TEU, stating that the Parliament is to be composed of representatives of the citizens of the Union and not peoples of the Member States, as well as the reference to the Parliament's role in the election of the President of the European Commission, who should be elected taking into account

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 21 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital C

### Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

C. whereas other important changes in the Lisbon Treaty concerned in particular the reference to the Parliament's role in the election of the President of the European Commission, who should be elected taking into account the results of the EP elections;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital C

### Motion for a resolution

C. whereas other important changes in the Lisbon Treaty concerned in particular the wording of Article 14 TEU, stating that the Parliament is to be composed of representatives of the citizens of the Union *and not peoples of the Member States*, as well as the reference to the Parliament's role in the election of the President of the European Commission, who should be

#### Amendment

C. whereas other important changes in the Lisbon Treaty concerned in particular the wording of Article 14 TEU, stating that the Parliament is to be composed of representatives of the citizens of the Union, as well as the reference to the Parliament's role in the election of the President of the European Commission, who should be elected taking into account the results of

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elected taking into account the results of the EP elections; the EP elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 23 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas the procedure for the 2014 elections set a precedent for the role of the Parliament in the selection of the EC President; whereas it was not possible for that procedure to become part of an overall reform of EU electoral law, which contributed to creating the political background for the unexpected disapplication of the lead candidate principle following the European elections of 2019, which resulted from the lack of a common indication from the European political parties and parliamentary groups in support of one of the lead candidates and the European Council's lack of agreement on nominating any of the lead candidates;

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Or. en

Amendment 24 Sandro Gozi

# Motion for a resolution Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the procedure for the 2014 elections set a precedent for the role of the Parliament in the selection of the EC President; whereas *it was not possible for* 

#### Amendment

D. whereas the procedure for the 2014 elections set a precedent for the role of the Parliament in the selection of the EC President; whereas that procedure *did not* 

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that procedure to become part of an overall reform of EU electoral law, which contributed to creating the political background for the unexpected disapplication of the lead candidate principle following the European elections of 2019, which resulted from the lack of a common indication from the European political parties and parliamentary groups in support of one of the lead candidates and the European Council's lack of agreement on nominating any of the lead candidates;

become part of an overall reform of EU electoral law; whereas the lack of a common indication from the European political parties and parliamentary groups in support of one of the lead candidates, and the European Council's lack of agreement on nominating any of the lead candidates contributed to the disapplication of the lead candidate principle following the European elections of 2019;

Or. en

Amendment 25 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze

# Motion for a resolution Recital D

#### Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the procedure for the 2014 elections set a precedent for the role of the Parliament in the selection of the EC President; whereas it was not possible for that procedure to become part of an overall reform of EU electoral law, which contributed to creating the political background for the unexpected disapplication of the lead candidate principle following the European elections of 2019, which resulted from the lack of a common indication from the European political parties and parliamentary groups in support of one of the lead candidates and the European Council's lack of agreement on nominating any of the lead candidates;

#### Amendment

whereas the procedure for the 2014 D. elections set a precedent for the role of the Parliament in the selection of the EC President through the lead candidate *principle*; whereas it was not possible for that procedure to become part of an overall reform of EU electoral law, which contributed to creating the political background for the unexpected disapplication of the lead candidate principle following the European elections of 2019, which resulted from the lack of a common indication from the European political parties and parliamentary groups in support of one of the lead candidates and the European Council's lack of agreement on nominating any of the lead candidates:

Or. en

Amendment 26 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

whereas Article 17(7) of the Treaty Da. on European Union gives the European Council the final say in the election of the President of the European Commission; whereas, according to this article, the European Council is merely obliged to take account of the elections to the European Parliament, and there was therefore no reason to expect the informal Spitzenkandidaten process to be respected either in 2014 or in 2019; whereas, in order to link the European elections genuinely to the choice of the President of the European Commission, the reform of electoral law is a first step; whereas a change in the Treaties is necessary to anchor this democratic measure in practice;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas some existing common provisions in the current European Electoral Act show the way towards necessary improvements, including those which provide for candidates to be elected by proportional representation using a list system or a single transferable vote system; for the freedom to establish constituencies

#### Amendment

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at national level; for the introduction of a maximum non-obligatory electoral threshold of 5%, and for the prohibition of MEPs to hold a dual mandate in national and European Parliament;

at national level; and for the prohibition of MEPs to hold a dual mandate in national and European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Gabriele Bischoff

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas some existing common provisions in the current European Electoral Act show the way towards necessary improvements, including those which provide for candidates to be elected by proportional representation using a list system or a single transferable vote system; for the freedom to establish constituencies at national level; for the introduction of a maximum *non-obligatory* electoral threshold of 5%, and for the prohibition of MEPs to hold a dual mandate in national and European Parliament;

#### Amendment

E. whereas some existing common provisions in the current European Electoral Act show the way towards necessary improvements, including those which provide for candidates to be elected by proportional representation using a list system or a single transferable vote system; for the freedom to establish constituencies at national level; for the introduction of a maximum electoral threshold of 5%, and for the prohibition of MEPs to hold a dual mandate in national and European Parliament:

Or. en

Amendment 29
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas introducing obligatory thresholds is recognised by constitutional tradition as a legitimate means of

# guaranteeing that parliaments are able to function;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and therefore more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

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Or. en

Amendment 31 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and therefore more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

Amendment

F. whereas today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and *are* a collection of national elections and they should stay as such in the future;

Or. en

Amendment 32 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

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# Motion for a resolution Recital F

### Motion for a resolution

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today *EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and therefore* more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

#### Amendment

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

Or. en

Amendment 33

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

### Motion for a resolution Recital F

### Motion for a resolution

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are *still mostly* governed by national laws *and therefore* more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

#### Amendment

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, no substantial reform of the electoral law act has been achieved and still today EU elections are largely governed by national laws resulting in 27 national elections instead of one truly European election; whereas more improvements are needed to establish a genuinely uniform procedure for European elections;

Or. en

Amendment 34 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Recital F

# Motion for a resolution

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws *and therefore* more improvements are needed to establish a *genuinely* uniform procedure for European elections;

#### Amendment

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws; whereas more improvements are needed to establish a more uniform procedure for European elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 35 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Recital F

#### Motion for a resolution

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and therefore more improvements are needed to establish a *genuinely uniform* procedure for European elections;

#### Amendment

F. whereas, despite some steps forward in defining common standards of electoral procedures for the European Parliament, today EU elections are still mostly governed by national laws and therefore more improvements are needed to establish a *more harmonised* procedure for European elections;

Or fr

Amendment 36 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital G

### Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the turnout registered in the 2019 European elections was the highest of any elections to the European

### Amendment

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Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal shows that citizens of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of the European integration, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021:

Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas the participation rate hides wide disparities between Member States; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal shows that citizens of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of the European integration, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021; whereas, moreover, this rate still means that only half of the citizens took part; whereas only 18% of those polled indicated that they thought that their vote could "change things"; whereas, therefore, the increase in participation cannot be the only criterion to be observed; whereas the ballot also reflects dissatisfaction on the part of a section of the population with regard to the construction of the European Union, European democracy or EU current policies:

Or. en

Amendment 37 Sandro Gozi

# Motion for a resolution Recital G

### Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the turnout registered in the 2019 European elections was the highest of any elections to the European Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal shows that citizens of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of the European integration, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021;

#### Amendment

G. whereas the turnout registered in the 2019 European elections was the highest of any elections to the European Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal and shows that citizens, and in particular the youngest generations of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of the European integration, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021; whereas increased interest in European elections signals that EU citizens demand a swift action from the EU in the field of

climate change, the protection of human rights and rule of law, migration, and the role of the EU in international relations;

Or. en

# Amendment 38 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas the turnout registered in the 2019 European elections was the highest of any elections to the European Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal shows that citizens of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of *the* European *integration*, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021:

#### Amendment

G. whereas the turnout registered in the 2019 European elections was the highest of any elections to the European Parliament in the last 20 years; whereas increased turnout is a positive signal shows that citizens of the Union are taking an increasing interest in the development of *a new* European *Union*, as indicated also by the results of the special Eurobarometer of 9 March 2021;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

Ga. whereas although a record turnout was registered at the last European elections in 2019, the turnout for European elections remains well below that for national elections; stresses that communication efforts must be made to increase citizens' interest in European issues and the role of European political parties and foundations in this regard;

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Amendment 40 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

Ga. whereas polls can influence the choice of citizens at the time of voting; whereas their over-mediatisation can be an obstacle to the personal and free nature of the vote; whereas many Member States limit the publication of polls to between two days and two weeks before the vote, precisely in order to guarantee the democratic freedom of the vote, without external injunctions and pressures;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the trend of a growing voter turnout can be maintained if the connection and accountability between voters and candidates are strengthened and the EU-wide dimension is fostered;

#### Amendment

H. whereas the trend of a growing voter turnout can be maintained if the connection and accountability between voters and candidates are strengthened and the EU-wide dimension is fostered; whereas the long-awaited creation of an independent ethics body, common to all the European institutions, will also help strengthen European democracy, its transparency and the fight against conflicts of interest;

Amendment 42

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

### Motion for a resolution Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the trend of a growing voter turnout can be *maintained* if the connection and accountability between voters and candidates are strengthened and the EU-wide dimension is fostered;

#### Amendment

H. whereas the trend of a growing voter turnout can be *improved* if the connection and accountability between voters and candidates are strengthened and the EU-wide dimension is fostered;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

Ha. whereas the possibility of voting directly for European parties and movements through transnational lists could contribute positively to the construction of a European political space;

Or. en

Amendment 44 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital I

# Motion for a resolution

I. whereas a functioning electoral system builds trust and support among the population and increases the confidence of citizens of the Union in their capacity to change society democratically by voting;

#### Amendment

I. whereas a functioning electoral system builds trust and support among the population and increases the confidence of citizens of the Union in their capacity to change society democratically by voting; whereas confidence can also be strengthened by additional democratic tools such as the ECI or the use of referendums on European issues and the respect of popular decisions;

Or. en

Amendment 45 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the conclusion of the ratification process for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending but cannot hold back the necessary changes in the Union's electoral systems;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 46 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the conclusion of the ratification process for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending *but cannot hold back the necessary* 

#### Amendment

J. whereas the conclusion of the ratification process for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending;

Or. en

Amendment 47 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital J

### Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the conclusion of the ratification process for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending but *cannot hold back* the necessary changes in the Union's electoral systems;

#### Amendment

J. whereas the conclusion of the ratification process for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending but *does not impede* the necessary changes in the Union's electoral systems;

Or. en

Amendment 48

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital J

### Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the *conclusion of the ratification process* for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending but cannot hold back the necessary changes in the Union's electoral systems;

### Amendment

J. whereas the *approval by Member States of* for Council's Decision 2018/994 of 13 July 2018 is still pending but cannot hold back the necessary changes in the Union's electoral systems;

Or. en

Amendment 49 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital K

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# Motion for a resolution

K. whereas *growing* political momentum and changing conditions among the Member States *could offer the possibility of finally introducing into* election procedures *stronger elements and provisions that highlight the European dimension of the elections*;

#### Amendment

K. whereas *the* political momentum and changing conditions among the Member States *show a strong division* between their election systems and procedures, thus a further step towards centralizing the electoral process would not be the most appropriate approach;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas growing political momentum *and changing conditions among the Member States* could offer the possibility of *finally* introducing into election procedures stronger elements and provisions that *highlight* the European dimension of the elections:

#### Amendment

K. whereas growing political momentum *across Europe* could offer the possibility of introducing into election procedures stronger elements and provisions that *manifest* the European dimension of the elections;

Or. en

Amendment 51 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas growing political momentum and changing conditions among the Member States could offer the possibility of *finally* introducing into

# Amendment

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 election procedures stronger elements and provisions that highlight the European dimension of the elections; procedures stronger elements and provisions that highlight the European dimension of the elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 52 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital L

#### Motion for a resolution

L. whereas an appropriate approach to reforming the European electoral law should be based on respect for the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality and the introduction of common minimum standards;

#### Amendment

L. whereas an appropriate approach to reforming the European electoral law should be based on respect for the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality and the introduction of *recommendations for* common minimum standards, *based on the European best practices*;

Or. en

Amendment 53

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital L

### Motion for a resolution

L. whereas an appropriate approach to reforming the European electoral law should be based on respect for the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality and the introduction of common minimum standards;

### Amendment

L. whereas an appropriate approach to reforming the European electoral law should be based on respect for the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality and the introduction of common minimum *democratic* standards;

Or. en

Amendment 54 Angel Dzhambazki

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### Motion for a resolution Recital M

# Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the *Union*, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate. strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

#### Amendment

whereas the reform of the European M. Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

Or. en

Amendment 55 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital M

### Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce *the concept of* citizenship *of* the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate,

#### Amendment

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and transnational *public debate and* dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce citizenship *in* the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more

strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them; legitimate and legislative by giving it genuine right of initiative, strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, especially between women and men, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

Or. en

# Amendment 56 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

#### Amendment

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters. and in particular the youngest amongst them, while preserving the national character of electoral matters;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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### Motion for a resolution Recital M

### Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process. reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate. strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

#### Amendment

whereas the reform of the European M. Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and pan-European dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process. reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate. strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

Or. en

## Amendment 58 Loránt Vincze

### Motion for a resolution Recital M

#### Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and *transnational* dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral

#### Amendment

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and *European* dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral

 equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them; equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

Or. en

Amendment 59 Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Recital M

Motion for a resolution

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic and *transnational* dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate. strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

#### Amendment

M. whereas the reform of the European Parliament's electoral procedure should aim to enhance the democratic dimension of the European elections and the democratic legitimacy of the Union decision-making process, reinforce the concept of citizenship of the Union, improve the functioning of the European Parliament and the governance of the Union, make the work of the European Parliament more legitimate, strengthen the principles of electoral equality and equal opportunities, enhance the effectiveness of the system for conducting European elections, and bring Members of the European Parliament closer to their voters, and in particular the youngest amongst them;

Or. en

Amendment 60 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital M a (new)

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### Amendment

Ma. whereas, as outlined by the Venice Commission, the right to parliamentary representation is one of the most important rights in a democratic society<sup>1a</sup> and affirmative action in the sphere of electoral rules is one of the ways to establish fair and effective participation of persons belonging to national minorities<sup>2a</sup>;

Or. en

Amendment 61 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital M b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Mb. whereas all Member States that have joined the European Union after the adoption of the Copenhagen criteria were encouraged and expected to sign and ratify the Framework Convention on the Protection of National Minorities, Article 15 of which foresees that "The Parties shall create the conditions necessary for the effective participation of persons belonging to national minorities in cultural, social and economic life and in public affairs, in particular those affecting them."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1a</sup> Venice Commission: Opinion on the Hungarian Bill N°. 5190 on the Rights of National and Ethnic Minorities CDL-MIN (93) 4 Revised, paragraph 12

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2a</sup> Venice Commission: Report on the abolition of restrictions on the right to vote in general elections, CDL-AD(2005)011, paragraph 7

Amendment 62 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital M c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

whereas the Venice Commission Mc.has dealt extensively with the basic principles and good practices related to the representation of national minorities, issuing recommendations and acknowledging especially the role of guaranteed reserved seats for members of national minorities, lower electoral thresholds in proportional electoral systems for parties representing national minorities or the designation of electoral districts with the purpose to enhance the minorities' participation in the decisionmaking processes<sup>1a</sup>; whereas it pointed out that while a proportional electoral system is believed to offer more guarantees for minorities, this positive effect is neutralised if it is accompanied by thresholds, which considerably reduce the chances of minorities to be represented;

Or. en

Amendment 63 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1a</sup> Compilation of Venice Commission Opinions and Reports Concerning Electoral Systems and National Minorities CDL-PI(2019)004 \*, in particular its Report on Electoral Law and National Minorities CDL-INF (2000)

# Motion for a resolution Recital M d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Md. whereas the importance of the electoral process for facilitating the participation of minorities in the political sphere is also emphasised by "The (OSCE) Lund Recommendations on the effective participation of national minorities in public life";

Or. en

Amendment 64 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital M e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Me. whereas the principles of proportionality, electoral equality and equal opportunities have to be considered in regards to autochthonous minorities, which are clearly underrepresented in the EP; whereas approximately 20 MEPs out of 705 declare to claim to belong to a minority  $(=2,8\%)^{1a}$ ; whereas according to the most comprehensive overview of national minorities in Europe<sup>2a</sup> the total number of persons in the EU belonging to a national minority - without counting speakers of regional or minority languages - is 29.844.468 out of 447.000.000 (6.7%), which shows that autochthonous minorities are clearly underrepresented in the EP; whereas no minority smaller than 50.000 members is represented (132 of 192 minorities);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1a</sup> Based on data from the European Parliament's Intergroup for Traditional Minorities, National Communities and

### Languages

<sup>2a</sup> Pan, Christoph; Pfeil, Beate Sibylle; Videsott, Paul: National Minorities in Europe. 2nd Edition, Revised and Updated. Wien; Berlin: Verlag Österreich; Berliner Wissenschafts-Verlag 2018

Or. en

Amendment 65 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital M f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Mf. whereas across the EU there are various good practices fostering the participation of national minorities in national elections such as in Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Romania and Slovenia; whereas in European elections in Belgium the German speaking region constitutes a separate constituency and in Italy the lists of the French, German and Slovene linguistic minorities may be linked to a national list, in which case the votes of the linguistic list will be added to those of the national list, obtaining one of its seats if a linguistic candidate receives at least 50,000 votes;

Or. en

Amendment 66 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital N

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# Motion for a resolution

Amendment

N. whereas the possibility of developing a uniform electoral procedure based on direct universal suffrage has been enshrined in the Treaties since 1957;

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Or. en

Amendment 67 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital O

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by a genuine harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States, which would also strengthen the political dimension of European integration;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 68
Leila Chaibi
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital O

Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by a genuine harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States,

### Amendment

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by a genuine harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States;

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Or. en

# Amendment 69 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Recital O

### Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by *a genuine* harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States, which would also strengthen the political dimension of European integration;

#### Amendment

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by *an increasing* harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States, which would also strengthen the political dimension of European integration;

Or. fr

# Amendment 70 Loránt Vincze

# Motion for a resolution Recital O

#### Motion for a resolution

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by a *genuine* harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States, which would also strengthen the political dimension of European integration;

#### Amendment

O. whereas the right of all citizens of the Union to participate, on an equal basis, in the democratic life of the Union would be promoted by a *deeper* harmonisation of the procedure for elections to the European Parliament in all the Member States, which would also strengthen the political dimension of European integration;

Or. en

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# Amendment 71 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital P

### Motion for a resolution

P. whereas European political parties are best placed to "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament;

#### Amendment

P. whereas European political parties "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament; whereas some political parties or movements do not belong to a European political party;

Or. en

### Amendment 72 Sandro Gozi

# Motion for a resolution Recital P

### Motion for a resolution

P. whereas European political parties are best placed to "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament;

### Amendment

P. whereas European political parties are best placed to "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament, and on the nomination of the President of the European Commission;

# Amendment 73 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

### Motion for a resolution Recital P

### Motion for a resolution

P. whereas European political parties are best placed to "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament;

### Amendment

P. whereas European political parties *and movements* are best placed to "contribute to forming European political awareness" and should therefore play a stronger role in the campaigns for Parliament elections in order to improve their visibility and to make clear the link between a vote for a particular national party and the impact it has on the size of a European political group in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 74 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital Q

### Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas the procedure for nominating candidates for elections to the European Parliament varies considerably from Member State to Member State and from party to party, in particular as regards transparency and democratic standards: whereas, however, open, transparent and democratic procedures for the selection of candidates are essential for building trust in the political system;

### Amendment

Q. whereas the procedure for nominating candidates for elections to the European Parliament varies considerably from Member State to Member State and from party to party; whereas internal democracy is defined by parties, party members and citizens, according to national laws and ideological histories;

Or. en

# Amendment 75 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital Q

### Motion for a resolution

Q. whereas the procedure for nominating candidates for elections to the European Parliament varies considerably from Member State to Member State and from party to party, in particular as regards transparency and democratic standards: whereas, however, open, transparent and democratic procedures for the selection of candidates are essential for building trust in the political system;

#### Amendment

Q. whereas the procedure for nominating candidates for elections to the European Parliament varies considerably from Member State to Member State and from party to party, in particular as regards transparency and democratic standards;

Or en

Amendment 76 Esteban González Pons, Sven Simon, Francisco José Millán Mon, Rainer Wieland

Motion for a resolution Recital S a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Sa. whereas in certain Member States the ballot papers containing the list of candidates for the elections to the European Parliament may be misleading, since political parties or coalitions are allowed in certain territories within a single national constituency to indicate on the ballot paper only the names of certain candidates and alternates and to indicate a name, acronym or symbol other than that of the political party or coalition; whereas this situation is contrary to the most elementary requirements of transparency and democracy in elections;

Or. en

## Amendment 77 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Recital T

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

Or. fr

Amendment 78 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Recital T

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

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Or. en

Amendment 79 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Recital T

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### Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

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Or. en

Amendment 80 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Seán Kelly, Vladimír Bilčík

### Motion for a resolution Recital T

Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

#### Amendment

T. whereas a strong link between elected members and constituents is a crucial element of any representative democracy; whereas the principle of geographic representation is therefore crucial for allocation of all seats in European elections.

Or. en

Amendment 81 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Recital T

Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the

# Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the

 President of the Commission;

President of the Commission; this would make the elections for the European Parliament truly based on European issues and not on issues of exclusively national interest;

Or. en

Amendment 82 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital T

### Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would *greatly* strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

### Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission, in addition to current system, would strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission and its accountability;

Or. en

# Amendment 83 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital T

### Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would *greatly* strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

#### Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a joint constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

Or. en

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# Amendment 84 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

## Motion for a resolution Recital T

Motion for a resolution

T. whereas the establishment of a *joint* constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

#### Amendment

T. whereas the establishment of a *EU-wide* constituency in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission would greatly strengthen European democracy and further legitimise the election of the President of the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 85 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Recital T a (new)

Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

Ta. whereas proposals to introduce a joint constituency have been repeatedly rejected by the European Parliament, and whereas such a measure would increase the complexity of the EU electoral system;

Or. fr

Amendment 86 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Recital T b (new)

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### Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

Tb. whereas national and local constituencies enable candidates to forge links with their voters; whereas such links are likely to increase citizens' interest in European issues;

Or fr

Amendment 87 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital U

Motion for a resolution

U. whereas not all Member States give their citizens the possibility of voting from abroad, and among those that do, the conditions for depriving them of their right to vote vary greatly; whereas granting all citizens of the Union residing outside the Union the right to participate in elections would contribute to electoral equality; whereas, however, Member States need to coordinate their administrative systems better in order to prevent voters from voting twice in two different Member States;

### Amendment

U. whereas the possibility of voting from abroad is linked to the constitutions and electoral laws of the Member States and should not be determined at EU level;

Or. en

Amendment 88

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital U

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

U. whereas not all Member States give

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their citizens the possibility of voting from abroad, and among those that do, the conditions for *depriving them of* their right to vote vary greatly; whereas granting all citizens of the Union residing outside the Union the right to participate in elections would contribute to electoral equality; whereas, however, Member States need to coordinate their administrative systems better in order to prevent voters from voting *twice* in two different Member States:

their citizens the possibility of voting from abroad, and among those that do, the conditions for *granting them* their right to vote vary greatly; whereas granting all citizens of the Union residing outside the Union the right to participate in elections would contribute to electoral equality; whereas, however, Member States need to coordinate their administrative systems better in order to prevent voters from voting in two different Member States;

Or en

Amendment 89 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

### Motion for a resolution Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with *intellectual* disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, guaranteeing *physical and sensory* accessibility *in polling stations as well as alternative* participation systems to exercise the right to vote, in particular through postal voting;

### Amendment

V whereas many people with disabilities want to vote at a polling station; whereas in 12 Member States national rules do not make it possible to switch from the polling station assigned on the basis of place of residence to another which is more suitable in the light of a voter's disability; whereas, lastly, Article 29 of the UNCRPD explicitly stipulates that the States Parties undertake to ensure that persons with disabilities can effectively and fully participate in political and public life on an equal basis with others; whereas any barriers to the right to vote and stand as candidate for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, guaranteeing accessibility throughout the election process should be ensured, including by providing additional participation systems to exercise the right to vote, in particular

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Or. en

## Amendment 90 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

# Motion for a resolution Recital V

### Motion for a resolution

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with intellectual disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, guaranteeing physical and sensory accessibility in polling stations as well as alternative participation systems to exercise the right to vote, in particular through postal voting;

### Amendment

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with intellectual disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, accessibility throughout the elections process should be ensured, including by providing alternative participation systems to exercise the right to vote, in particular through electronic voting procedures and postal voting and through appropriate voting arrangements for persons with disabilities to facilitate their voting rights on an equal basis with others;

Or. en

# Amendment 91 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

# Motion for a resolution Recital V

### Motion for a resolution

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with *intellectual* disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, *guaranteeing physical and sensory* accessibility *in polling stations as well as* alternative participation systems to

### Amendment

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote *and stand as candidate* for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with disabilities declared legally incapacitated, should be removed, accessibility *throughout the elections* process should be ensured including by providing alternative participation systems

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exercise the right to vote, *in particular through* postal voting;

to exercise the right to vote such as postal voting and appropriate voting arrangements for persons with disabilities to facilitate the exercise of their voting rights on an equal basis with others;

Or. en

Amendment 92

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

### Motion for a resolution Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with intellectual disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, guaranteeing physical and sensory accessibility in polling stations as well as alternative participation systems to exercise the right to vote, in particular through postal voting;

#### Amendment

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with intellectual disabilities declared legally incapacitated, should be removed, *ensuring the* exercise *of* the right to vote *in all* voting *modalities*;

Or. en

Amendment 93 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Recital V

Motion for a resolution

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, especially legal barriers for adults with intellectual disabilities declared legally incapacitated should be removed, guaranteeing physical and sensory accessibility in polling stations as well as

### Amendment

V. whereas any barriers to the right to vote for persons with disabilities, guaranteeing physical and sensory accessibility *to the* polling stations, as well as alternative participation systems *should* be put in place in order to guarantee the

 alternative participation systems *to* exercise *the* right to vote, *in particular through postal voting*;

proper exercise of their right to vote;

Or. en

Amendment 94 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital V a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Va. whereas other democratic tools can also be used to improve voter turnout, such as the inclusion of blank ballots or citizens' consultations between elections, such as referendums;

Or. en

Amendment 95 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Recital W

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 96 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital W

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 97 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Recital W

*Motion for a resolution* 

Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

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Or. en

Amendment 98 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

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### Motion for a resolution

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

#### Amendment

W. whereas a network *and synergies among* Member States' *electoral* authorities should be *developed* at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process and enhancing the European character of those elections;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital W

### Motion for a resolution

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, *managing the joint* constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

#### Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, *in particular in the EU-wide* constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

Or en

Amendment 100 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Recital W

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### Motion for a resolution

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, *managing the joint constituency* and enhancing the European character of those elections;

#### Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process and enhancing the European character of those elections;

Or. en

Amendment 101 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

### Motion for a resolution Recital W

Motion for a resolution

W. whereas an electoral authority, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

#### Amendment

W. whereas an electoral authority *for transnational lists*, acting as a network of Member States' single contact authorities, should be set up at Union level, as this would facilitate access to information on the rules governing the European elections, as well as streamlining the process, managing the joint constituency and enhancing the European character of those elections;

Or. en

Amendment 102 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of

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European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection;

Or. en

# Amendment 103 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection;

#### Amendment

X. whereas *the* voting *system in each Member State should be* efficient and *should ensure* the highest possible standards of data protection;

Or. en

Amendment 104 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic *and internet* voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection;

### Amendment

X. whereas postal and electronic voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection and maintaining vote at polling stations as the norm; whereas many national bodies for the protection of digital freedoms have expressed reservations about online voting; whereas online voting presents increased difficulties with regard to the fundamental principles governing electoral operations (the secrecy of the ballot, the personal and

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free nature of the vote, the sincerity of electoral operations, effective monitoring of the vote and a posteriori control by the election judge); whereas these difficulties exist mainly because of the opacity and the high technicality of the solutions implemented, as well as the great difficulty of ensuring the identity and freedom of choice of the person carrying out the remote voting operations;

Or. en

Amendment 105 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest *possible* standards of data protection;

#### Amendment

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring that this process is supported by a common regulatory framework and procedure in which the highest standards of data protection, maximum transparency and security of the entire electoral process are guaranteed;

Or. en

Amendment 106

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic *and internet* voting could make the conduct of

Amendment

X. whereas *advance*, postal, *proxy and* electronic voting could make the conduct

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European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection; of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of data protection *and the reliability and the* secrecy of the votes;

Or. en

Amendment 107 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, *whilst ensuring* the highest possible standards of data protection;

### Amendment

X. whereas postal, electronic and internet voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, *on condition that such procedures ensure* the highest possible standards of data protection;

Or. fr

Amendment 108
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Recital X

Motion for a resolution

X. whereas postal, *electronic and internet* voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of *data protection*;

### Amendment

X. whereas postal voting could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters, whilst ensuring the highest possible standards of *election integrity*;

Or. en

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Amendment 109 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Recital X a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Xa. whereas in her State of the Union speech, the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, announced that 2022 will be the year of youth; whereas in its proposal to make 2022 the European Year of Youth, the Commission wishes young people "to become active and engaged citizens as well as actors of change"; whereas in order to achieve this, young people must be given their rightful place in the electorate;

Or. en

Amendment 110 Seán Kelly, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution Recital X a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Xa. whereas the European Electoral Act should provide for the possibility of temporary replacement of a Member of the European Parliament that is availing of their right to maternity, paternity or parental leave;

Or. en

Amendment 111 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

## Motion for a resolution

1. Suggests the reform of its electoral procedure with the goal of shaping in a concrete way a European public sphere, by suggesting common minimum standards *and legislative changes* ahead of the 2024 European elections;

#### Amendment

1. Suggests the reform of its electoral procedure with the goal of shaping in a concrete way a European public sphere, by suggesting *recommendations for* common minimum standards *based on the European best practices* ahead of the 2024 European elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 112 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

### Motion for a resolution

1. Suggests the reform of its electoral procedure with the goal of shaping in a concrete way a European public sphere, by suggesting common minimum standards and legislative changes ahead of the *2024* European elections;

#### Amendment

1. Suggests the reform of its electoral procedure with the goal of shaping in a concrete way a European public sphere, by suggesting common minimum standards and legislative changes ahead of the *2029* European elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 113 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

# Motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the

### Amendment

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament; in addition, considers it essential to *provide* national *electoral authorities with support* 

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debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are mainly perceived today;

from the EU level;

Or. en

Amendment 114 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are mainly perceived today;

#### Amendment

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by *taking in to account the* national *and local* topics *as they are the ones shaping the work of* the European *Parliament*;

Or. en

Amendment 115 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

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### Motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are mainly perceived today;

#### Amendment

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues;

Or fr

Amendment 116 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

### Motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are mainly perceived today;

### Amendment

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by *transforming* the European elections into a single European election, *especially with transnational lists*, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are mainly perceived today;

Or. en

# Amendment 117 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are *mainly perceived* today;

### Amendment

2. Considers it essential to improve the transparency and democratic accountability of the Parliament, by strengthening the European dimension of the elections, notably by shifting the debate in election campaigns away from national topics towards genuinely European issues; in addition, considers it essential to transform the European elections into a single European election, as opposed to the collection of 27 separate national elections, which is the way that European elections are *organised* today;

Or. en

Amendment 118 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

2a. Reminds that at their informal meeting on 23 February 2018, the Heads of State and Government decided to continue the reflection, as well as the technical, legal and political work, in order to make it possible to set up transnational lists for the European elections in 2024;

Or. en

# Amendment 119 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that European political parties and movements should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters;

#### Amendment

3. Believes that European *and national* political parties and movements should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters;

Or. en

Amendment 120
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that European political parties and *movements* should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters;

#### Amendment

3. Believes that European political parties and *electoral associations* should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters;

Or. en

Amendment 121 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that European political

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parties *and movements* should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters:

parties should play a more central role in the European elections process and should become clearly visible for voters;

Or. en

Amendment 122 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

3a. Believes that European political parties and movements should be given more rights and adequate support, including funding, this being necessary to provide more favourable and practical framework conditions for them to fulfil their role and carry out their tasks in European society;

Or. ro

Amendment 123 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates;

### Amendment

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed;

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accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 124 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common *minimum* standards are needed, *in order to ensure* approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

### Amendment

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that *recommendations for* common standards, *based on the European best practices*, are needed, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

Or. en

Amendment 125 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. **Observes** that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers **therefore** that common minimum standards **are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified**European electoral law **and** equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: **the right to register a party and** to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of

### Amendment

4. **Reminds** that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers that common minimum standards in the European electoral law can promote a genuine public European debate and ensure equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what

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voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

happens on the day of the elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 126 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

### Motion for a resolution

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

### Amendment

4 Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems and different voting rights across the EU: considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to vote, the right to register a party and to stand for elections: access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting for all citizens, especially for persons with disabilities; or what happens on the day of the elections:

Or. en

Amendment 127

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

### Motion for a resolution

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote *for* 

### Amendment

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum *democratic* standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and *towards* 

citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections; approaching equality of the vote of the citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; gender equality; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

Or. en

Amendment 128 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

## Motion for a resolution

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting; or what happens on the day of the elections;

#### Amendment

4. Observes that diverging electoral cultures have resulted in a range of different electoral systems; considers therefore that common minimum standards are needed, in order to ensure approximation towards a unified European electoral law and equality of the vote for citizens of the Union, including as regards: the right to register a party and to stand for elections; access to ballots; the fielding of candidates; accessibility of voting *for persons with disabilities*; or what happens on the day of the elections;

Or. en

Amendment 129 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Calls for the establishment of a common framework, with benchmarks and

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5. Calls for the establishment of a common framework, with benchmarks and

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minimum standards for election rules across the EU, and suggests focusing on a strong coordination with national measures for implementing the core of its proposals; minimum standards for election rules across the EU, and suggests focusing on a strong coordination with national measures for implementing the core of its proposals; calls also for a European electoral reserve period regarding polls to avoid influencing citizens and becoming an obstacle to the personal and free nature of voting; considers this reserve period should start at least two weeks before the elections as it is already the case in some Member States:

Or en

Amendment 130 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Calls for the establishment of a common framework, with benchmarks and minimum standards for election rules across the EU, and suggests focusing on a strong coordination with national measures for implementing the core of its proposals;

#### Amendment

5. Calls for the establishment of a common framework *of recommendations*, with benchmarks and minimum standards for election rules across the EU, and suggests focusing on a strong coordination with national measures for implementing the core of its proposals, *without prejudice* to the Member States' authority in the field of electoral law;

Or. en

Amendment 131 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Calls on the European institutions to take into account the priorities

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identified by European citizens in the context of the Conference on the Future of Europe;

Or. fr

Amendment 132

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 – introductory part

Motion for a resolution

7. Highlights the links between the suggested measures for the review of the Electoral Act, and the European Parliament' rules of procedure, the regulation on European Political Parties and the European Commission Democracy Action Plan of December 2020, notably *the links between* elements such as:

#### Amendment

7. Highlights the links between the suggested measures for the review of the Electoral Act, and the European Parliament' rules of procedure, the regulation on European Political Parties and the European Commission Democracy Action Plan of December 2020, notably *on* elements such as:

Or. en

Amendment 133

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 – indent 1

Motion for a resolution

- the way in which elections are *largely* governed by rules applicable only within a particular jurisdiction or that might not have been formulated taking into consideration the borderless online space,

### Amendment

- the way in which elections are governed, *namely* by rules applicable only within a particular jurisdiction or that might not have been formulated taking into consideration the borderless online space,

Or. en

# Amendment 134 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 – indent 2

Motion for a resolution

- *stronger* cooperation between regulatory authorities of the Member States *is needed*,

#### Amendment

- *the* cooperation between regulatory authorities of the Member States, *which needs to be strengthened*,

Or. en

Amendment 135

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 – indent 3

Motion for a resolution

- *the goal of more* transparency in political advertising and communication should also be reflected in the provisions of the Electoral Law;

### Amendment

- transparency in political advertising and communication, *which* should also be reflected in the provisions of the Electoral Law;

Or. en

Amendment 136 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's

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proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

Or en

Amendment 137 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

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Or. en

Amendment 138 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group

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### Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

### Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections:

### Amendment

8. Considers gender equality to be a key element for improving representation in elections; considers quotas based on identity categories to be no issue for European legislation as in some Member States constitutional courts have judged them to be in contradiction of freedom of association.

Or. en

# Amendment 139 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

### Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls *for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for* 

#### Amendment

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; further calls on Member States to increase efforts to ensure gender equality and equal opportunities in the European electoral

example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections; process;

Or. en

Amendment 140 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

#### Amendment

Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections; considers that the preferential vote should provide an even number of female and male candidates, alternating according to gender;

Or. en

Amendment 141

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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### Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

#### Amendment

Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for *ensuring the* protection of women's civic rights, improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences: calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates through the use of zipped lists, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

Or. en

# Amendment 142 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

### Motion for a resolution

8. Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of lists of candidates with an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

#### Amendment

Considers gender equality to be a key horizontal element for improving the quality of EU democracy and enhancing a European public space; calls on Member States to apply this principle and the provisions contained in the Parliament's proposal in the attached legislative act in a comprehensive way, in accordance with their own competences; calls for the introduction of an equal number of male and female candidates for the electable places, for example through the use of zipped lists or other equivalent methods, since, in many Member States, there is no legislation that ensures political gender parity in elections;

Amendment 143 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Regrets that most national and linguistic minorities are not usually represented in the European Parliament because they are too small to obtain a seat of their own; points out in this regard the effective barrier that electoral thresholds represent for parties representing minority communities running in single national constituencies or in large, densely populated constituencies;

Or. en

Amendment 144 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Welcomes the overall improvement in gender equality in the last elections; stresses, however, that there are significant differences between Member States, with some not having elected to Parliament a single woman;

Or. fr

Amendment 145 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Considers that it is urgent to look into solutions to allow members on maternity, paternity, parental and long sick leave to ensure that their seat is not left vacant;

Or. en

Amendment 146 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8b. Regrets that there are only two Member States which have special provisions for the Election of the European Parliament for minorities; Commends in this regard the good practices from Belgium in relation to the German minority and from Italy in relation to the French linguistic minority of Valle d'Aosta, the German one in Bolzano and the Slovenian in Friuli-Venezia Giulia:

Or. en

Amendment 147 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 c (new)

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Amendment

8c. Reiterates its call on the

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Commission and the Member States to guarantee equal opportunities for national and ethnic minorities to participate in political and social life and its encouragement of Member States to adopt electoral systems and laws facilitating the representation of national and ethnic minorities <sup>1a</sup>; points out that the same principle should be applied in the elections for the European Parliament:

<sup>1a</sup> European Parliament resolution of 13 November 2018 on minimum standards for minorities in the EU (2018/2036(INI)), paragraph 36. (https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/do cument/TA-8-2018-0447 EN.html)

Or. en

Amendment 148 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8d. Stresses that the legitimacy of the democratic institutions is based on participation and representation of all groups in society, including persons belonging to national and linguistic minorities;

Or. en

Amendment 149 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 e (new)

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Amendment

8e. Considers therefore that the European electoral law should provide a derogation from nationally provided thresholds for parties representing recognized national and linguistic minorities or groupings of such parties in order to increase the chances of national and linguistic minorities to participate in the political life of the Union and to be represented in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 150 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8f. Strongly regrets that there are still Member States in the European Union whose election laws de jure prohibit the creation of parties based on ethnic, racial or religious lines or which expressly prohibit the use of mother tongue for minorities in election campaigns; considers that such practices are discriminatory, create unjustified electoral barriers and limit access to voters and political participation in elections and beyond and should therefore be banned;

Or. en

Amendment 151 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

### Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Considers it essential that both European and national political parties and movements adopt democratic, informed and transparent procedures for the selection of candidates to the European Parliament, including the lead candidate, ensuring the direct involvement of individual citizens who are party members, including, but not limited to, the election of delegates; considers that such democratic selection should be accompanied by the necessary information as regards the capacities and performance of the aspiring candidates;

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Or. en

Amendment 152 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

### Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

9. Considers it *interesting* that both European and national political parties and movements *ensure* the direct involvement of individual citizens who are party members *for the* selection *of* candidates *to the European Parliament or any other kind of consultation and support*;

Or. en

# Amendment 153 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

9. Considers it essential that both European and national political parties and *electoral associations* adopt democratic, informed and transparent procedures for the selection of candidates to the European Parliament, including the lead candidate, ensuring the direct involvement of individual citizens who are party members, including, but not limited to, the election of delegates; considers that such democratic selection should be accompanied by the necessary information as regards the capacities and performance of the aspiring candidates:

Or. en

Amendment 154 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

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Or. en

Amendment 155 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, and that leading candidates should be able to stand in all Member States, nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, putting forward a common electoral programme;

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Or. en

Amendment 156 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

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Or. en

### Amendment 157 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

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#### Amendment

10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission;

Or. fr

### Amendment 158 Loránt Vincze

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

### Motion for a resolution

10. Believes that all European voters should be *allowed to indicate* their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, *and that leading candidates should be able to stand in all Member States,* nominated by a European political party, *by a movement or by a coalition of European parties*, putting forward a common electoral programme;

### Amendment

10. Believes that all European voters should be *able to identify* their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, nominated by a European political party, putting forward a common electoral programme;

Or. en

Amendment 159 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

### Motion for a resolution

10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, and that leading candidates should be able to stand in all Member States, nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, putting forward a common electoral programme;

#### Amendment

10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, putting forward a common electoral programme;

Or. en

Amendment 160

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

### Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 161 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

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Or. en

### Amendment 162 Sandro Gozi

## Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

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10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to *indicate* their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, and that leading candidates should be able to stand in all Member States, nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, putting forward a common electoral programme;

#### Amendment

10. Believes that all European voters should be allowed to *vote* their preferred candidate for the President of the Commission, and that leading candidates should be able to stand in all Member States, nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, putting forward a common electoral programme;

Or. en

Amendment 163 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

### Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

11. Calls on European political parties and movements to nominate their candidates for the position of President of the Commission - or common candidates of a coalition of European parties and movements - at least 12 weeks before the start of the electoral period; considers that binding democratic procedures and transparency in the selection should be ensured; expects candidates to be placed in the first position of the corresponding list of the joint constituency;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 164 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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#### Amendment

11. **Encourages** political parties and movements to **indicate** their candidates for the position of President of the Commission before the start of the electoral period, in order to ensure the democratic scrutiny and a fully informed choice of EU citizens when voting in the European elections;

Or. en

Amendment 165 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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#### Amendment

11. Calls on European political parties to nominate their candidates for the position of President of the Commission at least 12 weeks before the start of the electoral period; considers that binding democratic procedures and transparency in the selection should be ensured;

Or. en

Amendment 166 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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Or. fr

Amendment 167 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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Or. en

Amendment 168
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

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Or. en

# Amendment 169 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

## Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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11. Calls on European political parties and *movements* to nominate their candidates for the position of President of the Commission - or common candidates of a coalition of European parties *and movements* - at least 12 weeks before the *start of the electoral period*; considers that binding democratic procedures and transparency in the selection should be ensured; expects candidates to be placed in the first position of the corresponding list of the joint constituency;

#### Amendment

11. Calls on European political parties and *European electoral associations* to nominate their candidates for the position of President of the Commission - or common candidates of a coalition of European parties - at least 12 weeks before the *election day*; considers that binding democratic procedures and transparency in the selection should be ensured; expects candidates to be placed in the first position of the corresponding list of the joint constituency;

Or. en

Amendment 170 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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#### Amendment

Proposes, in order to strengthen the voice of European citizens, that the Spitzenkandidaten process should not be restricted to European political parties only but to coalitions of national parties or movements too; calls on European political parties and movements to nominate their candidates for the position of President of the Commission - or common candidates of a coalition of European parties and movements - at least 12 weeks before the start of the electoral period; considers that binding democratic procedures and transparency in the selection should be ensured; expects candidates to be placed in the first position

of the corresponding list of the joint constituency;

Or. en

Amendment 171 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Suggests a rule requiring a male and female candidates for the Presidency of the European Commission proposed by each European political party or each coalition of national parties or movements;

Or. en

Amendment 172 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11b. Calls for a revision of the Treaties and the Electoral Act to allow a union of parties or movements representing at least a quarter of the Member States to also be able to propose a candidate to head the European Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 173 Angel Dzhambazki

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

### Motion for a resolution

12. Calls for enhancing the visibility of European parties and movements through media campaigns and on ballot papers and all electoral materials; determines that national parties shall indicate their affiliation to the European political parties and to the corresponding lead candidate during the electoral campaign;

#### Amendment

12. **Believes that** enhancing the visibility of European parties and movements through media campaigns **could contribute** to the **informed choice of the citizens**;

Or. en

### Amendment 174 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls for enhancing the visibility of European parties and movements through media campaigns and on ballot papers and all electoral materials; determines that national parties *shall* indicate their affiliation to the European political parties *and to the corresponding lead candidate during the electoral campaign*;

#### Amendment

12. Calls for enhancing the visibility of European parties and movements through media campaigns and on ballot papers and all electoral materials; determines that national parties *can* indicate their affiliation to the European political parties;

Or. en

Amendment 175 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

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Or. en

Amendment 176

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls for enhancing the visibility of European parties and *movements* through media campaigns and on ballot papers and all electoral materials; determines that national parties shall indicate their affiliation to the European political parties and to the corresponding lead candidate during the electoral campaign;

#### Amendment

12. Calls for enhancing the visibility of European parties and *electoral associations* through media campaigns and on ballot papers and all electoral materials; determines that national parties shall indicate their affiliation to the European political parties and to the corresponding lead candidate during the electoral campaign;

Or. en

Amendment 177
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

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Or. en

Amendment 178 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

12a. Calls for national and, possibly, European Union constituency ballot papers to show the name and visual identity of the European political party or movement to which the candidate or his/her political formation is affiliated;

Or. ro

Amendment 179 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Notes that a coordinated media strategy at European level to ensure coverage and monitoring of the European elections would help to increase citizens' interest in them;

Or. fr

Amendment 180 Leila Chaibi

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### on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Expects the leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups to agree on a common indication to the European Council on the basis of the outcome of the European elections as well as on the availability of a potential majority in the newly elected Parliament as regards the nomination of a candidate for President of the European Commission; expects the President of the European Council to consult the said leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups in order to inform the nomination process, considers that this process could be formalised by a political agreement between the European political parties and by an Inter-Institutional Agreement between Parliament and European Council;

#### Amendment

13. Expects the President of the European Council to consult the said leaders of the European political parties, *European political coalition* and parliamentary groups in order to inform the nomination process, considers that this process could be formalised by an Inter-Institutional Agreement between Parliament and European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 181 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Expects the leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups to agree on a common indication to the European Council on the basis of the outcome of the European elections *as well as on the availability of a potential* majority in the newly elected Parliament as regards the nomination of a candidate for

#### Amendment

13. Expects the leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups to agree on a common indication to the European Council on the basis of the outcome of the European elections; expects that the lead candidate whose European political party has received the overall highest number of votes in the Union-

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President of the European Commission; expects the President of the European Council to consult the said leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups in order to inform the nomination process, considers that this process could be formalised by a political agreement between the European political parties and by an Inter-Institutional Agreement between Parliament and European Council;

wide constituency will be tasked with forming a coalition majority in the newly elected Parliament as regards the nomination of a candidate for President of the European Commission; expects the President of the European Council to consult the said leaders of the European political parties and parliamentary groups in order to inform the nomination process, considers that this process could be formalised by a political agreement between the European political parties and by an Inter-Institutional Agreement between Parliament and European Council;

Or. en

Amendment 182

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

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#### Amendment

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Amendment 183 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Proposes establishing the practice for interested parliamentary groups to conclude a "legislature agreement" in order to ensure a political follow-up to the European elections and as a way to secure a majority within the Parliament ahead of the appointment of the Commission;

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Or. en

Amendment 184 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 185 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*15*. Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which forty-six members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical, demographic and gender balance is ensured, by guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State and a minimum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States; encourages European parties and movements to appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States;

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Or. fr

Amendment 186 Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 187 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or en

Amendment 188 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 189 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 190 Loránt Vincze

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 191 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

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Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State and a minimum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States; encourages European parties and movements to appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 192 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

### Motion for a resolution

15. Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which *forty-six* members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical, *demographic and gender* balance is ensured, by guaranteeing that smaller

### Amendment

15. Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which *twenty-seven* members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical balance is ensured, by guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive

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Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State and a minimum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States; encourages European parties and movements to appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States;

disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect that one seat per member state is allocated in the joint constituency;

Or. en

Amendment 193

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

### Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

15 Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which forty-six members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and *pan-European* dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical and gender balance is ensured, and by guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding geographic representation in the lists for the EU-wide constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State; encourages European parties and *electoral associations* to appoint candidates in the pan-European lists coming from all Member States;

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candidates in the *joint* lists coming from all Member States;

Or. en

### Amendment 194 Guy Verhofstadt, Pascal Durand, Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Charles Goerens

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

### Motion for a resolution

15. Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which forty-six members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical, demographic and gender balance is ensured, by guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State and a minimum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States; encourages European parties and movements to appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States:

#### Amendment

15. Considers that the introduction of a joint constituency from which forty-six members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical, demographic and gender balance is ensured, guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States by introducing minimum and maximum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency; encourages that European parties and movements appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States:

Or. en

Amendment 195 Leila Chaibi

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### on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

### Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 196 Sandro Gozi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

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joint constituency from which forty-six members of the European Parliament shall be elected and in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for the post of President of the Commission could offer an opportunity to enhance the democratic and transnational dimension of the European elections; believes that the goal of establishing a joint constituency is achievable only if geographical, demographic and gender balance is ensured, by guaranteeing that smaller Member States are not put at a competitive disadvantage compared to the larger Member States; suggests in this respect introducing binding demographic representation in the lists for the joint constituency, such as maximum thresholds for candidates residing in the same Member State and a minimum obligatory representation of nationals of different Member States: *requires* European parties and movements to appoint candidates in the joint lists coming from all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 197 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls for the European Union constituency list drawn up by the European political party or movement to be headed by its candidate for the post of Commission President;

Or. ro

Amendment 198 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15b. Proposes that the person heading the list of the winning European political party or movement in the European Parliament elections be designated to form a parliamentary majority and hence to lead the European Commission;

Or. ro

Amendment 199 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and movements;

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Or. fr

Amendment 200 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and

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movements;

Or. en

Amendment 201 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and movements;

Or. en

Amendment 202 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and movements;

Or. en

Amendment 203 Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

### Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and movements;

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Or. en

Amendment 204 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that *transnational lists* are a *lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective* European political parties and movements;

Amendment

16. Believes that *European elections* are a *collection of national processes, in which* European political parties and movements *can play an important role*;

Or. en

Amendment 205 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and movements;

Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are *not the appropriate solution for creating* effective European political parties and movements;

Or. en

Amendment 206

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

### Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that *transnational* lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and *movements*;

#### Amendment

16. Believes that *pan-European* lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties and *electoral associations*;

Or. en

Amendment 207 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of *true and* effective European political parties and movements;

#### Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of effective European political parties and movements;

Or. en

Amendment 208
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties *and movements*;

#### Amendment

16. Believes that transnational lists are a lever that can be used to bring about the formation of true and effective European political parties;

Or. en

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Amendment 209 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Calls for transnational lists to represent all areas of the European Union fairly and for all European citizens to be assured of representation in the European Parliament;

Or. ro

Amendment 210 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Unionwide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 211 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

### Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Unionwide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 212 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Unionwide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 213 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

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## Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Unionwide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

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Or. en

Amendment 214

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Union-wide constituency; calls for *strong coordination* with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

## Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Union-wide constituency; calls for amending the relevant provisions in Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 in order to allow European political parties to fund campaigns supporting candidacies in the EU-wide constituency;

Or. en

Amendment 215 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

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17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Union-wide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

## Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted *to the EU elections*; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 216 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

## Motion for a resolution

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each *entity* admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Union-wide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

#### Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each *party* admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament in the Union-wide constituency; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 217 Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

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17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament *in the Union-wide constituency*; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

## Amendment

17. Suggests including common provisions governing expenditure linked to the European electoral campaign for each entity admitted for the purpose of tabling a list of candidates for members of the European Parliament; calls for strong coordination with the upcoming revision of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/20214 on this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 218 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia, Miroslav Číž

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Considers that funding of 17a. European political parties from the general budget of the European Union or from any other source may be used to finance campaigns conducted by the European electoral entities in the context of elections to the European Parliament in which they or their members participate; considers that funding and possible limitation of election expenses for all political parties, candidates and third parties in the national constituencies, in addition to their participation in elections to the European Parliament, should be governed in each Member State by its national provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 219 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 220 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25;

Or. en

Amendment 221 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

# Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25 and the minimum age for eligibility to vote varies between 16 to 18; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States and recommends them to introduce the minimum age of voting rights at 16 as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship. namely the right to participate in the democratic process; is of the opinion that giving the right to vote at the age of 16 would reflect current rights and duties European youth already have in Member States, for instance paying taxes or having sexual majority;

Or. en

# Amendment 222 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

## Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; *calls for the introduction of* a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; observes that its determination falls within national competences and encourages the adoption of a recommendation for a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to

Or en

## Amendment 223 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

## Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls *for* the *introduction of* a *single*, *harmonised* age for passive and active voting rights *across Member States* as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls *on* the *Member States to coordinate with* a *view to harmonising the* age for passive and active voting rights as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

Or. fr

Amendment 224

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

## Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States, namely, 16 to exercise the right to vote and 18 to be able to stand, as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to

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Or en

Amendment 225
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

## Amendment

18. Recalls that the minimum age for eligibility to stand as a candidate across the 27 Member States varies between 18 and 25; calls for the introduction of a single, harmonised age *at 16 years* for passive and active voting rights across Member States as a way to ensure real voting equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental area of citizenship, namely the right to participate in the democratic process;

Or. en

Amendment 226 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Calls for the voting age to be standardised and proposes that every EU citizen be given the right to vote from the age of 16;

Or. ro

Amendment 227 Guy Verhofstadt, Pascal Durand, Samira Rafaela, Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa,

## **Charles Goerens**

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

18a. Proposes to allow for a temporary replacement of a Member in the case of maternity leave, parental leave or severe illness;

Or. en

Amendment 228

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Considers transparency of the electoral process and access to reliable information to be essential elements for raising European political awareness and securing an election turnout that is high enough to constitute a mandate from the electorate; highlights that citizens shall be informed well in advance - notably 12 weeks before the elections - about the candidates standing in the European elections and about the affiliation of national political parties to a European political party;

#### Amendment

19. Considers transparency of the electoral process and access to reliable information to be essential elements for raising European political awareness and securing an election turnout that is high enough to constitute a mandate from the electorate; highlights that citizens shall be informed well in advance - notably 12 weeks before the elections - about the candidates standing in the European elections and about the affiliation of national political parties *or electoral associations* to a European political party *or European electoral association*;

Or. en

Amendment 229 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

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## Amendment

19. Considers transparency of the electoral process and access to reliable information to be essential elements for raising European political awareness and securing an election turnout that is high enough to constitute a mandate from the electorate; highlights that citizens shall be informed well in advance about the candidates standing in the European elections and about the affiliation of national political parties to a European political party;

Or en

Amendment 230 Esteban González Pons, Sven Simon, Francisco José Millán Mon, Rainer Wieland

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Stresses that ballot papers containing the list of candidates for the elections to the European Parliament must not under any circumstances be misleading or deceptive as to the candidate actually voted for; rejects allowing political parties or coalitions in certain areas within a single national constituency to indicate on the ballot paper only the names of certain candidates and substitutes, or to indicate a name, acronym or symbol other than that of the political party or coalition; proposes that the ballot paper for each candidate may not be different within the same national constituency;

Or. en

# Amendment 231 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

19a. Suggests that measures be taken and safeguards be put in place to avoid foreign interference in the electoral process;

Or fr

Amendment 232

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Highlights that the deadlines for finalising the electoral roll ahead of European elections vary greatly among Member States; suggests setting a common standard for the establishment and finalisation of the electoral roll no later than fourteen weeks before the election day, in order to render the information on voters more accurate and to make its exchange between Member States easier. as well as to facilitate the prevention of double voting, ensuring that such double voting, whether the result of an administrative mistake or breaches of electoral law is subject to effective, proportionate and dissuasive penalties at national level, and results in corrective measures by the Member States;

## Amendment

Highlights that the deadlines for 20 finalising the electoral roll ahead of European elections vary greatly among Member States; suggests to establish a European electoral roll and setting a common standard for the establishment and finalisation of the *national* electoral roll no later than fourteen weeks before the election day, in order to render the information on voters more accurate and to make its exchange between Member States easier, as well as to facilitate the prevention of double voting, ensuring that such double voting, whether the result of an administrative mistake or breaches of electoral law is subject to effective, proportionate and dissuasive penalties at national level, and results in corrective measures by the Member States:

Or. en

# Amendment 233 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*21*. Proposes establishing a European Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

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Or. fr

Amendment 234 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Proposes establishing a European Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between

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national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

Or. en

Amendment 235 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 236 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Proposes establishing a European deleted Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the

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European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

Or. en

Amendment 237 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21 Proposes establishing a *European* Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

## Amendment

21. Proposes establishing a structured network between national electoral authorities for coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a structure could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies;

Or. en

Amendment 238 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

## Motion for a resolution

21. Proposes establishing a European Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

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Or. en

Amendment 239

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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Proposes establishing a European 21. Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, monitoring the implementation of and solving disputes on the common standards of the European electoral law, managing the European electoral roll, proclaiming the electoral results, verifying the credentials of the members of the European Parliament and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing

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lists for joint constituencies;

of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for *the EU-wide constituency*;

Or. en

Amendment 240 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

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21. Proposes establishing a European Electoral Authority in charge of coordinating information on the European elections, coordinating efforts at Union level to ensure the smooth running of elections, including activities to identify and counter the spread of disinformation, monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law and supervising the exchange of information on voting by citizens of the Union outside their home country; considers that such a body could facilitate an efficient exchange of information, and in particular the sharing of best practices, between national bodies; suggests that an essential task of the Authority would be the management of the register of electoral lists for joint constituencies;

Or. en

Amendment 241 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Suggests that common minimum

Amendment

22. *Confirms that* the establishment of

standards should be defined to introduce uniform requirements for the establishment of electoral lists;

electoral lists is a matter of the Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 242 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers it essential to facilitate access to voting in European elections and to guarantee that all those who have the right to vote, including, if they are granted such a right in accordance with national laws, citizens of the Union living outside their country of origin, *homeless* people and prisoners, are able to exercise this right; calls on Member States to improve access to polling stations and the right to vote for persons with disabilities;

## Amendment

23. Considers it essential to facilitate access to voting in European elections and to guarantee that all those who have the right to vote, including, if they are granted such a right in accordance with national laws, citizens of the Union living outside their country of origin, people *experiencing homelessness* and prisoners, are able to exercise this right; calls on Member States to improve access to polling stations and the right to vote for persons with disabilities *by allowing for instance the renting of adapted premises when public structures are not adapted*;

Or. en

Amendment 243

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

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such a right in accordance with national laws, citizens of the Union living outside their country of origin, homeless people and prisoners, are able to exercise this right; calls on Member States to *ensure* access to *information and voting on an equal basis for all citizens, including* for persons with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 244 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers it essential to facilitate access to voting in European elections and to guarantee that all those who have the right to vote, including, if they are granted such a right in accordance with national laws, citizens of the Union living outside their country of origin, *homeless people and prisoners*, are able to exercise this right; calls on Member States to improve access to polling stations and the right to vote for persons with disabilities;

## Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 245 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Calls on Member States to grant the right to vote and stand as candidate to all persons with disabilities, regardless of

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their legal capacity; suggests to introduce measures to maximise accessibility of the elections for citizens with disabilities covering, among others and where appropriate, voting information and registration, polling stations, voting booths and devices and ballot papers; recommends to implement appropriate arrangements tailored to their national voting procedures to facilitate the vote of citizens with disabilities such as the possibility to choose polling station, closed polling stations in key locations, and the use of assistive technologies, formats and techniques like Braille, large print, audiobased information, tactile stencils, easy to read information and sign language communication; calls on Member States to allow persons with disabilities assistance in voting through a person of their own choice, where necessary and at their request;

Or. en

Amendment 246 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Calls on Member States to grant the right to vote and stand as candidate to all persons with disabilities, regardless of their legal capacity; suggests to introduce measures to maximise accessibility of the elections for citizens with disabilities covering, among others and where appropriate, voting information and registration, polling stations, voting booths and devices, electronic means of voting, and ballot papers; recommends Member States to implement appropriate arrangements tailored to their national voting procedures to facilitate the vote of

citizens with disabilities such as the possibility to choose polling station, early voting, mobile ballot boxes, closed polling stations in key locations, and the use of assistive technologies; calls on Member States to allow persons with disabilities assistance in voting through a person of their own choice, where necessary and at their request;

Or. en

Amendment 247 Victor Negrescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

23a. Calls for the provisions of Annex 1 of the Regulation that concern Member State classification by population category to be amended as follows: Group A (18.3 million - 83.1 million), Group B (10.7 million - 18.3 million), Group C (6.9 million - 10.2 million), Group D (2.7 million - 5.8 million), Group E (2.7 million - 5.8 million);

Or. ro

Amendment 248 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23b. Calls on the Member States to improve their laws in order to make it easier for people experiencing homelessness to vote; emphasises that

insisting that people provide proof of address in order to vote, as laid down in Directive 93/109/EC, can serve to exclude people experiencing homelessness in those countries where they cannot obtain an administrative address; urges that the requirement to provide proof of address be done away with, in order to make it easier for people experiencing homelessness, who are full EU citizens, to vote;

Or en

Amendment 249 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

Takes the view that the best way to 23c. ensure that all citizens can take part in elections is to guarantee inclusion and thus to put an end to homelessness; calls on the Commission to adopt as a matter of urgency an EU action plan to put an end to homelessness by 2030, to be implemented at national level by the Member States as part of their efforts to combat homelessness; notes, further, that the Commission's guidelines on combating the phenomenon of homelessness date from 2013 (and have still not been translated into the 23 Union languages);

Or. en

Amendment 250 Angel Dzhambazki

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Calls on Member States to introduce common requirements allowing all citizens of the Union living or working in a third country to be granted the right to cast their vote in elections to the European Parliament;

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Or. en

Amendment 251 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls on Member States to 24a. introduce measures to maximise accessibility of the elections for citizens with disabilities covering, among others and where appropriate, voting information and registration, polling stations, voting booths and devices, electronic means of voting, and ballot papers; recommends to implement appropriate arrangements tailored to their national voting procedures to facilitate the vote of citizens with disabilities such as the possibility to choose polling station, early voting, mobile ballot boxes, closed polling stations in key locations, and the use of assistive technologies, formats and techniques like Braille, large print, audiobased information, tactile stencils, easy to read information and sign language communication; calls on Member States to allow persons with disabilities assistance in voting through a person of their own choice, where necessary and at their request;

## Amendment 252 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

## Motion for a resolution

25. Believes that the introduction of postal voting is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of complementary enhancing tools such as electronic or internet voting, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

## Amendment

25. Believes that the introduction of postal voting *or the* electronic or *vote through the* internet, in accordance with *the respective* national traditions *and providing adequate* safeguards *are in place*;

Or en

Amendment 253
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

## Motion for a resolution

25. Believes that the introduction of postal voting is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of complementary

## Amendment

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enhancing tools such as electronic or internet voting, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

Or. en

Amendment 254

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

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## Amendment

Believes that the introduction of 25. advance, postal or proxy voting is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of complementary enhancing tools such as electronic voting, in accordance with their own national traditions, taking into account Council of Europe's recommendations in that area and with appropriate safeguards to ensure the accessibility of the system, the reliability and the secrecy of the vote, the protection of personal data in accordance with applicable Union law and full transparency in the design and deployment of the systems:

Or. en

Amendment 255 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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postal voting *is needed* for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of *complementary enhancing* tools *such as electronic or internet voting*, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

postal voting *could be useful* for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls *in this regard* on Members States to consider the possible introduction of *effective* tools *and procedures*, in accordance with their own national traditions *and constitutions*, and with appropriate safeguards;

Or en

Amendment 256 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Believes that the introduction of *postal voting* is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of *complementary enhancing tools such as electronic or internet voting*, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

#### Amendment

25. Believes that the introduction of *mobile polling stations* is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of *such a tool*, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

Or. en

Amendment 257 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

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25. Believes that the introduction of postal voting is needed for voters who are unable to go to the polling stations on election day, and that this could make the conduct of European elections more efficient and more appealing for voters in specific or exceptional circumstances; calls on Members States to consider the possible introduction of complementary enhancing tools such as electronic *or internet* voting, in accordance with their own national traditions, and with appropriate safeguards;

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Or. en

Amendment 258 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Believes that establishing a common European voting day would create a more coherent pan-European election and therefore suggests fixing 9th May as the European election day, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls, with the possibility of that day becoming a public holiday; considers it important that the first official projections of the electoral results are announced simultaneously in all Member States on the election day at 21:00 hours CET;

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Or. en

Amendment 259 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Believes that establishing a common European voting day would create a more coherent pan-European election and therefore suggests fixing 9th May as the European election day, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls, with the possibility of that day becoming a public holiday; considers it important that the first official projections of the electoral results are announced simultaneously in all Member States on the election day at 21:00 hours CET;

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Or. en

Amendment 260 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

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## Amendment

26. Notes that the symbolic idea of holding the European elections on 8 or 9 May is interesting; stresses, however, that such a measure would not offer the necessary flexibility to take account of specific national calendars and customs and would, moreover, be likely to have a negative impact on the level of participation by citizens, given the long holidays provided for in the national law of certain Member States; also draws attention to the fact that announcing the results at the same time in all the Member States poses major logistical difficulties for outermost regions;

Or en

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# Amendment 261 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

## Motion for a resolution

26. Believes that establishing a common European voting day would create a more coherent pan-European election and therefore suggests fixing 9th May as the European election day, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls, with the possibility of that day becoming a public holiday; considers it important that the first official projections of the electoral results are announced simultaneously in all Member States on the election day at 21:00 hours CET;

## Amendment

26. Believes that establishing a common European voting day would create a more coherent pan-European election; considers it important that the first official projections of the electoral results are announced simultaneously in all Member States on the election day at 21:00 hours CET;

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# Amendment 262 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26

## Motion for a resolution

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## Amendment

26. Believes that establishing a common European voting day would create a more coherent pan-European election and therefore suggests fixing 9th May as the European election day, regardless of the day of the week on which it falls, with the possibility of that day becoming a public holiday; considers it important that national authorities make independent decisions regarding election times, e.g. the first official projections of the electoral results;

Or. en

Amendment 263 Seán Kelly, Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

26a. Believes that introducing the possibility of temporary replacement of a Member of the European Parliament that is availing of their right to maternity, paternity or parental leave would help to further reduce the democratic deficit of the EU and would benefit gender equality in the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 264

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Considers it important to ensure that, following each election, an implementation report is drawn up with the aim of evaluating the functioning of the European elections as well as suggesting improvements, if needed;

## Amendment

27. **Proposes** that, following each election, an implementation report is drawn up with the aim of evaluating the functioning of the European elections assessing whether a new legislative act is required in order to improve the functioning of the European elections further;

Or. en

Amendment 265 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

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27. Considers *it important to ensure* that, following each election, an *implementation* report *is* drawn up with the aim of evaluating the functioning of the European elections as well as suggesting improvements, if needed;

## Amendment

27. Considers *the possibility* that, following each election, an report *could be* drawn up with the aim of evaluating the functioning of the European elections as well as suggesting improvements, if needed;

Or. en

Amendment 266

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(2a) Article 8 TFEU establishes the principle of gender mainstreaming by which the Union should aim to eliminate gender inequalities and to promote gender equality in all its activities;

Or. en

Amendment 267 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 3

*Motion for a resolution* 

Amendment

(3) The Treaty of Lisbon has not only conferred on the European Parliament the power of initiative regarding the provisions on the election of its members, but has also changed the nature of the mandate of the members of the European Parliament, making them direct representatives of the citizens of the

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Union instead of "representatives of the peoples of the States brought together in the Community". These constitute fundamental changes that should be reflected in a modernised European electoral law by inserting new elements that aim to enhance democratic legitimacy and to more accurately reflect the breadth of the role and competences of the European Parliament.

Or. en

Amendment 268 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 3

## Motion for a resolution

(3) The Treaty of Lisbon has *not only* conferred on the European Parliament the power of initiative regarding the provisions on the election of its members, but has also changed the nature of the mandate of the members of the European Parliament, making them direct representatives of the citizens of the Union instead of "representatives of the peoples of the States brought together in the Community". These constitute fundamental changes that should be reflected in a modernised European electoral law by inserting new elements that aim to enhance democratic legitimacy and to more accurately reflect the breadth of the role and competences of the European Parliament.

## Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 269 Damian Boeselager

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## on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 3

# Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

# Amendment 270 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 4

## Motion for a resolution

(4) In spite of the provisions of the Electoral Act, elections to the European Parliament are largely determined by national rules, *which* differ considerably across Member States, resulting in a range of different electoral systems. Elections for the European Parliament take place on different days, and votes are cast for national parties with national candidates on the basis of national programmes.

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## Amendment

(4) In spite of the provisions of the Electoral Act, elections to the European Parliament, *which* are largely determined by national rules, differ considerably across Member States, resulting in a range of different electoral systems. Elections for the European Parliament take place on different days, and votes are cast for national parties with national candidates on the basis of national programmes. Approximation of those different electoral

systems through the adoption of a more *unified* European electoral *law* based on clear common principles and *rules* would ensure voter equality for all citizens of the Union, and strengthen the European public sphere.

systems through the adoption of *recommendations for* a more *harmonised* European electoral *process across the Member States*, based on clear common principles and *standards*, would ensure voter equality for all citizens of the Union, and strengthen the European public sphere.

Or. en

Amendment 271 Loránt Vincze, Herbert Dorfmann, François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Electoral thresholds should not (4a)affect the chances of national and linguistic minorities to participate in the political life of the Union and to be represented in the European Parliament. A derogation from a nationally provided threshold for parties representing recognized national and linguistic minorities or groupings of such parties should be possible for said minorities to be able to express a cohesive vote. The recognition of national and linguistic minorities should be understood in the sense of the Framework Convention for the protection of National Minorities, Member States being encouraged to interpret its provisions in the most inclusive manner.

Or. en

Amendment 272 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

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*(5)* Article 17(7) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) gives the European Parliament the right to elect the President of the European Commission. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, the European public sphere should be developed in such a way that all European voters are allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission. For this to happen, the lead candidates nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, need to be able to stand behind a common electoral programme in all Member States. Likewise, a Union-wide constituency, in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for President of the Commission, should be created, in order to enhance the democratic and pan- European dimension of the European elections. That Unionwide constituency should be subject to clear rules ensuring gender and demographic proportionality, with particular attention to small and medium sized Member States.

Or. en

Amendment 273 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 274 Jacek Saryusz-Wolski

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Amendment 275 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

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Amendment 276 Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

Article 17(7) of the Treaty on (5) European Union (TEU) gives the European Parliament the right to elect the President of the European Commission. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, the European public sphere should be developed in such a way that all European voters are allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission. For this to happen, the lead candidates nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, need to be able to stand behind a common electoral programme in all Member States. Likewise, a Union-wide constituency, in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for President of the Commission, should be created, in order to enhance the democratic and pan-European dimension of the European elections. That Union-wide constituency should be subject to clear rules ensuring gender and demographic proportionality, with particular attention to small and medium sized Member States.

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European Union (TEU) gives the European Parliament the right to elect the President of the European Commission. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, all European voters *should be able to identify* their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission. For this to happen, the lead candidates nominated by a European political party, need to be able to stand behind a common electoral programme in all Member States.

Or. en

Amendment 277 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

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## Motion for a resolution

(5) Article 17(7) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) gives the European Parliament the right to elect the President of the European Commission. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, the European public sphere should be developed in such a way that all European voters are allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission. For this to happen, the lead candidates nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, need to be able to stand behind a common electoral programme in all Member States. Likewise, a Union-wide constituency, in which lists are headed by each political family's candidate for President of the Commission, should be created, in order to enhance the democratic and pan-European dimension of the European elections. That Union-wide constituency should be subject to clear rules ensuring gender and demographic proportionality, with particular attention to small and medium sized Member States.

#### Amendment

European Union (TEU) gives the European Parliament the right to elect the President of the European Commission. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, the European public sphere should be developed in such a way that all European voters are allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission nominated by a European political party, by a movement or by a coalition of European parties, *putting forward* a common electoral programme;

Or. en

Amendment 278 Vladimír Bilčík

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Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 279 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution

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European Union (TEU) provides that the candidate for President of the Commission shall be proposed by the European Council, taking into account the European elections, and then be elected by the European Parliament. In order to give that right its appropriate expression, the European public sphere should be developed in such a way that all European voters are allowed to indicate their preferred candidate for the President of the European Commission. For this to

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Or. en

Amendment 280 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Vladimír Bilčík

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Commission, should be created, in order to enhance the democratic and pan- European dimension of the European elections. That Union-wide constituency should *consist of one seat per* Member *State*.

Or. en

Amendment 281

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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Or. en

## Amendment 282 Loránt Vincze

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 6

## Motion for a resolution

(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process, including by giving them the possibility of tabling pan-European lists in the Union-wide constituency, so that they become known by and more visible to electors, both on ballot papers and in campaign materials and publications.

### Amendment

(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process.

Or. en

## Amendment 283 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 6

#### Motion for a resolution

(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process, *including by giving* 

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Or. en

## Amendment 284 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 6

Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process *and* become more visible to electors, both on ballot papers and in campaign materials and publications.

Or. en

Amendment 285 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

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Or fr

Amendment 286 Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 287 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution

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(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process, *including by giving them the possibility of tabling pan-European lists in the Union-wide constituency*, so that they become known by and more visible to electors, both on ballot papers and in campaign materials and publications.

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Or. en

Amendment 288 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff

Motion for a resolution

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#### Motion for a resolution

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### Amendment

European political parties and movements have a key role to play in fostering a truly European political debate. According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements should therefore effectively play a more central role in the European elections' process, including by giving them the possibility of fully participating in European election campaigns, and of tabling pan-European lists in the Union-wide constituency, so that they become known by and more visible to electors, both on ballot papers and in campaign materials and publications.

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Amendment 289 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

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### Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

According to Article 10(4) of the (6) TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and movements, as well as parties and movements which are not part of a European political parties and movements should therefore play a more central role in the European elections' process, including by giving them the possibility of tabling pan-European lists in the Union-wide constituency in addition to current existing scrutiny, so that they become known by and more visible to electors, both on ballot papers and in campaign materials and publications.

Or. en

Amendment 290
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 6

## Motion for a resolution

(6) According to Article 10(4) of the TEU, political parties at European level contribute to forming European political awareness and to expressing the will of citizens of the Union. European political parties and *movements* should therefore play a more central role in the European

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Or. en

Amendment 291 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 6

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 292 Angel Dzhambazki

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Amendment

In the European democracy action plan<sup>6</sup>, the Commission has committed to promoting access to democratic participation, which entails inclusiveness and equality in democratic participation, as well as gender balance in politics and decision-making. In its 2020-2025 gender equality strategy<sup>7</sup>, the Commission stated that equal opportunity in participation is essential for representative democracy at all levels. Gender equality and democratic, informed and transparent procedures for the selection of candidates to the European Parliament elections, including the lead candidate, are key horizontal elements for reinforcing representativeness and democracy.

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Or. en

Amendment 293
Sven Simon
on behalf of the EPP Group
Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the European democracy action plan (COM(2020)0790).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions "A Union of Equality: Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025" (COM(2020)0152).

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Amendment

Or en

## Amendment 294 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

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Amendment

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the European democracy action plan (COM(2020)0790).

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Or. en

Amendment 295 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the European democracy action plan (COM(2020)0790).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions "A Union of Equality: Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025" (COM(2020)0152).

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**(7)** In the European democracy action plan<sup>6</sup>, the Commission has committed to promoting access to democratic participation, which entails inclusiveness and equality in democratic participation, as well as gender balance in politics and decision-making. In its 2020-2025 gender equality strategy<sup>7</sup>, the Commission stated that equal opportunity in participation is essential for representative democracy at all levels. Gender equality, guaranteed by the use of gender zipped lists, and democratic, informed and transparent procedures for the selection of candidates to the European Parliament elections, including the lead candidate, are key horizontal elements for reinforcing representativeness and democracy.

Or. en

Amendment 296
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the European democracy action plan (COM(2020)0790).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions "A Union of Equality: Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025" (COM(2020)0152).

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Transparency of the electoral (8) process and access to reliable and timely information on voters and on candidates are important for ensuring the reliability of the electoral process, for raising European political awareness and for securing a solid election turnout. It is important to facilitate the exchange of information between Member States on voters in order to avoid double voting. Moreover, citizens of the Union should be informed well in advance of elections to the European Parliament about the candidates standing in those elections and about the affiliation of national political parties to a European political party. Mandatory time-limits for the establishment of the electoral roll and the lists of candidates should therefore be established.

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Or. en

Amendment 297 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

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(8) Transparency of the electoral process and access to reliable and timely information on voters and on candidates are important for ensuring the reliability of the electoral process, for raising European political awareness and for securing a solid election turnout. It is important to facilitate the exchange of information between Member States on voters in order to avoid double voting. Moreover, citizens of the Union should be informed well in advance

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of elections to the European Parliament about the candidates standing in those elections and about the affiliation of national political parties to a European political party. Mandatory time-limits for the establishment of the electoral roll and the lists of candidates should therefore be established of elections to the European Parliament about the candidates standing in those elections and about the affiliation of national political parties to a European political party *when it is the case*. Mandatory time-limits for the establishment of the electoral roll and the lists of candidates should therefore be established.

Or. en

Amendment 298 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established for the management of the Union-wide constituency. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for coordinating information on the European elections and monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. In addition.

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Or. en

Amendment 299 Loránt Vincze

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Or. en

Amendment 300 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

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Amendment 301 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

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implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. *In addition.* 

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Or. en

Amendment 302

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established for the management of the Union-wide constituency. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for *coordinating information on the European elections and* monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, *by* ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. *In addition.* 

#### Amendment

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established for the management of the Union-wide constituency. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for monitoring the implementation of and solving disputes on the common standards of the European electoral law, managing the European electoral roll, proclaiming the electoral results, verifying the credentials of the members of the European Parliament and ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies.

Or. en

Amendment 303 Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 304 Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established *for the management of the Union-wide constituency*. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for coordinating information on the European elections and monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. In addition.

#### Amendment

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for coordinating information on the European elections and monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. In addition.

Or. en

Amendment 305 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

(9) A European Electoral Authority should be established for the management of the Union-wide constituency. Such a

Amendment

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European Electoral Authority would be essential for coordinating information on the European elections and monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies. *In addition*.

transnational lists. Such a European Electoral Authority would be essential for coordinating information on the European elections and monitoring the implementation of the common standards of the European electoral law, by ensuring an efficient exchange of information and best practices between national bodies.

Or. en

Amendment 306 Guy Verhofstadt, Pascal Durand, Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 307 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 308 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(9a) The Union-wide constituency electoral campaign should be duly financed to ensure that the European electoral entities have the sufficient funds to convey their messages and their political programmes to the EU citizens.

Or. en

Amendment 309 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide for advance and postal voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also permit electronic and internet voting, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the

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secrecy of the vote and the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law.

Or. en

Amendment 310 Sven Simon on behalf of the EPP Group Esteban González Pons, Rainer Wieland, Loránt Vincze, Vladimír Bilčík

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide for advance and postal voting, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote and the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law.

Or en

Amendment 311 Leila Chaibi, Helmut Scholz on behalf of The Left Group

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

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accordance with applicable Union law.

applicable Union law, as well as the accessibility for persons with disabilities and for all citizens. Member States are also encouraged to develop other tools for citizen participation, such as the inclusion of blank ballots or citizen consultations between elections.

Or. en

Amendment 312

Damian Boeselager

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide *for* advance *and* postal voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also permit electronic *and internet* voting, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote *and* the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law.

#### Amendment

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide at least for either advance, postal or proxy voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also permit electronic voting, while ensuring the accessibility of the system, the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote, the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law, and full transparency in the design and deployment of the systems.

Or. en

## Amendment 313 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States *should* provide

Amendment

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States *could* provide

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for advance and postal voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also *evaluate other tools with respect of their constitutional traditions*, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote and the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union *and national* law.

Or. en

Amendment 314 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide for advance and postal voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also permit electronic and internet voting, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote and the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law.

Amendment

(10) In order to encourage voter participation in elections to the European Parliament, Member States should provide for advance and postal voting. To fully take advantage of the possibilities offered by technological developments, Member States could also permit electronic and internet voting, while ensuring the reliability of the result, the secrecy of the vote, the accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the protection of personal data, in accordance with applicable Union law.

Or. en

Amendment 315 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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Or en

Amendment 316 Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 11

Motion for a resolution

(11) Citizens of the Union have the right to participate in its democratic life, in particular by voting or standing as candidates in elections to the European Parliament. Member States should take the measures necessary to allow those of their citizens residing or working in third countries, those who are homeless or who are serving a prison sentence in the EU, to exercise the right to vote in elections to the European Parliament. Access to polling stations should also be facilitated for all citizens, and in particular for persons with disabilities.

#### Amendment

(11) Citizens of the Union have the right to participate in its democratic life, in particular by voting or standing as candidates in elections to the European Parliament. Access to polling stations should be facilitated for all citizens, and in particular for persons with disabilities.

Or. en

Amendment 317

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 11

### Motion for a resolution

(11) Citizens of the Union have the right to participate in its democratic life, in particular by voting or standing as candidates in elections to the European Parliament. Member States should take the measures necessary to allow those of their citizens residing or working in third countries, those who are homeless or who are serving a prison sentence in the EU, to exercise the right to vote in elections to the European Parliament. Access to *polling stations* should also be *facilitated* for all citizens, *and in particular* for persons with disabilities

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Or. en

## Amendment 318 Guy Verhofstadt, Pascal Durand, Sandro Gozi, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Charles Goerens

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 11

## Motion for a resolution

(11) Citizens of the Union have the right to participate in its democratic life, in particular by voting or standing as candidates in elections to the European Parliament. Member States should take the measures necessary to allow those of their citizens residing or working in *third* countries, those who are homeless or who are serving a prison sentence in the EU, to exercise the right to vote in elections to the European Parliament. Access to polling stations should also be facilitated for all citizens, and in particular for persons with disabilities.

#### Amendment

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Or. en

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## Amendment 319 Angel Dzhambazki

## Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

### Motion for a resolution

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

(12) Member States have the right to set a minimum age for the exercise of active and passive voting rights as a matter of internal national policy.

Or. en

## Amendment 320 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

#### Motion for a resolution

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting *should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure* equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. *Member States* shall assess to introduce a single harmonised age for active and passive voting, while always ensuring equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

Or. en

Amendment 321 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting **should be introduced** across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. *The Member States should coordinate to introduce* a single harmonised age for active and passive voting across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

Or fr

Amendment 322

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

## Motion for a resolution

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote. The minimum age for voting should be set at 16 and the minimum age to stand as a candidate should be set at 18.

Or. en

Amendment 323 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution

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(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote. All the persons with disabilities regardless of their legal capacity, should enjoy political rights on an equal basis with others.

Or. en

Amendment 324 Leila Chaibi on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

## Motion for a resolution

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States *from 16 to 18*. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting *at 16 years old* should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

Or. en

Amendment 325 Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

#### Amendment

(12) The minimum age for the exercise of active passive voting rights varies across the 27 Member States. A single harmonised age *at 16 years* for active and passive voting should be introduced across the Union in order to ensure equality and to avoid discrimination in the most fundamental civic and political right - the right to vote.

Or. en

Amendment 326 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff, Brando Benifei, Giuliano Pisapia

Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(12a) The deadlines for finalising both the electoral lists and the electoral roll ahead of European elections vary greatly among Member States. In order to put candidates and voters across the Union in an equal position when it comes to the time available for campaigning or for reflection, and also to facilitate the exchange of information between Member States on voters, the deadlines for the establishment of the electoral roll and the lists for the European elections should be uniform.

Or. en

Amendment 327 Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Gabriele Bischoff

Motion for a resolution

Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 12 b (new)

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## Amendment

(12b) Clear and transparent rules on campaigning should be provided for, so that European political parties and movements are able to use any forms of public communication and electoral campaigns material, as well as election official material such as ballot papers, giving those parties and movements sufficient visibility. Member States should also ensure that European political parties and movements are given equal treatment and opportunities regarding the electoral campaign related to the Unionwide constituency.

Or. en

## Amendment 328 Angel Dzhambazki

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 13

#### Motion for a resolution

(13) The 1976 Electoral act established a common electoral period, giving the Member States the power to set the exact date and the time for the elections within that period. A truly pan-European election requires not just a common period, but a common European voting day. The elections for the European Parliament should be held on 9 May, Europe Day, marking the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration of 9 May 1950.

#### Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 329 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 13

### Motion for a resolution

(13) The 1976 Electoral act established a common electoral period, giving the Member States the power to set the exact date and the time for the elections within that period. A truly *pan-European* election requires not just a common period, but a common European voting day. *The elections for the European Parliament should be held on 9 May, Europe Day, marking the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration of 9 May 1950.* 

#### Amendment

(13) The 1976 Electoral act established a common electoral period, giving the Member States the power to set the exact date and the time for the elections within that period. A truly *European* election requires not just a common period, but a common European voting day.

Or fr

## Amendment 330 Gerolf Annemans, Laura Huhtasaari, Gilles Lebreton, Antonio Maria Rinaldi

# Motion for a resolution Annex to the motion for a resolution – Recital 13

## Motion for a resolution

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(13) The 1976 Electoral act established a common electoral period, giving the Member States the power to set the exact date and the time for the elections within that period. The elections for the European Parliament *could* be held on 9 May, Europe Day, marking the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration of 9 May 1950.

Or. en