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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 20**

**Draft opinion**

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General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2023 - all sections  
(2022/0212(BUD))

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**Amendment 1**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph -1 (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***-1. Calls for an EU inclusive budget that helps European citizens deal with the current crises, improves access and the quality of education and healthcare across the Union, enables the creation of high-quality jobs, offers life prospects for young people, integrates seniors and disadvantaged communities, and delivers on our global commitments;***

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph -1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***-1a. Stresses that the role of the EU budget is to achieve EU strategic objectives such as cohesion, reducing the disparities between and within Member States and upward convergence, high-quality employment and up-skilling and re-skilling of workers, green economy and innovation, education and healthcare;***

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

### *Draft opinion*

1. ***Deplores*** the decrease by 21 % in commitment appropriations and 17 % in payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget as compared to the 2022 budget for the ‘Citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union’; ***disagrees with further cuts by 3 % in commitment appropriations proposed by the Council; believes that adequate resources need to be provided for the CERV Programme, the European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) as well as other participatory instruments to be introduced as a follow up to the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFE); proposes an increase by 26 % in commitment and 20 % in payment appropriations for this budgetary line;***

### *Amendment*

1. ***Takes note of*** the decrease by 21 % in commitment appropriations and 17 % in payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget as compared to the 2022 budget for the ‘Citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union’;

Or. en

## **Amendment 4** **Domènec Ruiz Devesa**

### **Draft opinion** **Paragraph 1**

### *Draft opinion*

1. Deplores the decrease by 21 % in commitment appropriations and 17 % in payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget as compared to the 2022 budget for the ‘Citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union’; disagrees with further cuts by 3 % in commitment appropriations proposed by the Council; believes that adequate resources need to be provided for the CERV Programme, the European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) as well as other participatory instruments to be introduced ***as a*** follow up to the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFE); proposes an increase by 26 % in commitment and 20 %

### *Amendment*

1. Deplores the decrease by 21 % in commitment appropriations and 17 % in payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget as compared to the 2022 budget for the ‘Citizens engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union’; disagrees with further cuts by 3 % in commitment appropriations proposed by the Council; believes that adequate resources need to be provided for the CERV Programme, the European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) as well as other participatory instruments ***such as citizen's fora, and insists on the importance of an adequate funding*** to be introduced ***in order to guarantee a proper*** follow up to

in payment appropriations for this budgetary line;

the Conference on the Future of Europe (CoFE) **conclusions**; proposes an increase by 26 % in commitment and 20 % in payment appropriations for this budgetary line;

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. ***Regards as insufficient*** the 1 % increase in the commitment appropriations for ‘Commission Representations’ compared to the 2022 budget; ***is dismayed with*** the Council’s position to reduce by 14 % and by 8 % respectively the commitment and payment appropriations for this line; proposes ***a 5 %*** increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget ***and to restore the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget; deems this increase necessary for the purpose of encouraging proactive dialogues on EU matters with citizens in the Member States, implementing the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE, as well as developing*** communication activities to fight disinformation;

*Amendment*

2. ***Takes note of*** the 1 % increase in the commitment appropriations for ‘Commission Representations’ compared to the 2022 budget; ***supports*** the Council’s position to reduce by 14 % and by 8 % respectively the commitment and payment appropriations for this line; proposes ***to consider an*** increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget ***in order to develop*** communication activities to fight disinformation;

Or. en

**Amendment 6**  
**Domènec Ruiz Devesa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

### *Draft opinion*

2. Regards as insufficient the 1 % increase in the commitment appropriations for ‘Commission Representations’ compared to the 2022 budget; is dismayed with the Council’s position to reduce by 14 % and by 8 % respectively the commitment and payment appropriations for this line; proposes a 5 % increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget and to restore the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget; deems this increase necessary for the purpose of encouraging proactive dialogues on EU matters with citizens in the Member States, implementing the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE, as well as developing communication activities to fight disinformation;

### *Amendment*

2. Regards as insufficient the 1 % increase in the commitment appropriations for ‘Commission Representations’ compared to the 2022 budget; is dismayed with the Council’s position to reduce by 14 % and by 8 % respectively the commitment and payment appropriations for this line; proposes a 5 % increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget and to restore the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget; ***proposes an increase of funds for the European Parliament Liaison Offices as such representations play an important role in informing citizens about the Union’s activities after the conclusion of the CoFE***; deems this increase necessary for the purpose of encouraging proactive dialogues on EU matters with citizens in the Member States, implementing the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE, as well as developing communication activities to fight disinformation ***and foreign interferences***;

Or. en

## **Amendment 7** **Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

### **Draft opinion** **Paragraph 3**

### *Draft opinion*

3. ***Regards as insufficient*** the 1,5 % increase in commitment appropriations for ‘Communication services for citizens’ compared to the 2022 budget; ***opposes*** the Council’s position to reduce the funding of commitment and payment appropriations by 12 % and by 6 % respectively; ***therefore proposes a 5 % increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget and to restore***

### *Amendment*

3. ***Commends*** the 1,5 % increase in commitment appropriations for ‘Communication services for citizens’ compared to the 2022 budget; ***supports*** the Council’s position to reduce the funding of commitment and payment appropriations by 12 % and by 6 % respectively;

*the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget in view of funding awareness raising and information activities on the ECI as well as implementation of the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE;*

Or. en

**Amendment 8**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Regards as insufficient the 1,5 % increase in commitment appropriations for ‘Communication services for citizens’ compared to the 2022 budget; opposes the Council’s position to reduce the funding of commitment and payment appropriations by 12 % and by 6 % respectively; therefore proposes a 5 % increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget and to restore the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget in view of funding awareness raising and information activities on the ECI as well as implementation of the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE;

*Amendment*

3. Regards as insufficient the 1,5 % increase in commitment appropriations for ‘Communication services for citizens’ compared to the 2022 budget; opposes the Council’s position to reduce the funding of commitment and payment appropriations by 12 % and by 6 % respectively; therefore proposes a 5 % increase of the commitment appropriations as compared to the 2023 Draft Budget and to restore the level of payment appropriations of the 2023 Draft Budget in view of funding awareness raising and information activities on the ECI as well as implementation of the proposals included in the conclusions of the CoFE; ***underlines the importance of involving smaller NGOs, local authorities and stakeholders in communication strategies and actions; calls for making content available in all EU languages and provide native language content to Europeans living in other EU countries;***

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Domènec Ruiz Devesa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Highlights the need to increase the resources and the level of staffing of the Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations in view of the significant enlargement of its tasks as provided for in the Commission proposal for a recast of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014;

*Amendment*

4. ***Proposes to increase funds to make possible a deeper involvement of the youth concerning the Union's democratic values and policies in a context still marked by the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine; suggests, to this end, the implementation of pilots projects by the Commission on European Citizen Education actions, European Festivals of Culture and ideas around the 9th of May as well as Youth Contests;*** Highlights the need to increase the resources and the level of staffing of the Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations in view of the significant enlargement of its tasks as provided for in the Commission proposal for a recast of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014;

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Highlights the need to ***increase*** the resources and the level of staffing of the Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations in view of the significant enlargement of its tasks as provided for in the Commission proposal for a recast of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014;

*Amendment*

4. Highlights the need to ***further discuss*** the resources and the level of staffing of the Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations in view of the significant enlargement of its tasks as provided for in the Commission proposal for a recast of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014;

Or. en



**Amendment 11**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4a. Recalls the importance of using the EU budget actively in order to help our international partners affected by the war in Ukraine and remain active and visible in the neighbouring regions and pre-accession countries, especially in the Western Balkans and the Eastern Partnership areas;***

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4b. Calls upon the Commission and the Council to identify and make available additional pre-accession funding to the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine in order to allow them to accomplish the new reforms and policies requested as part of their new candidate status to the European Union;***

Or. en

**Amendment 13**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4c. Underlines the importance of pilot projects and preparatory actions in the framework of the EU budget and calls upon the Commission to show more flexibility in the evaluation and reassessment of the proposals made by the EU budget; calls for a bigger allocation to such initiatives by integrating part of the 'C' evaluated projects considered important by the European Parliament;**

Or. en

**Amendment 14  
Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 4 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4d. Underlines the need for more flexibility in EU budgeting, in coordination with the European Parliament, in order to ensure the adaptation of the MFF to any new challenges important for EU citizens;**

Or. en

**Amendment 15  
Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 4 e (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4e. Calls upon the Commission to extend by one year the implementation of the projects contracted in the 2014-2020 MFF affected by the pandemic and the war in Ukraine and allow member states**

*to use the already allocated financial resources in that programming period; invites the Commission to elaborate an analysis of the status of the projects delayed for those specific reasons and immediately come with a policy proposal allowing member states to continue the implementation of all those essential EU financed projects by one year; underlines the specific need for support for the implementation of projects involving partners or contractors from Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova and the need for the Commission to identify specific measure allowing the continuation and the implementation of those specific projects;*

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 f (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*4f. Calls upon the Commission and the Council, in the context of an increasing number of transfers and adjustments to the EU budget, to respect the rights of the European Parliament when it comes to its budgetary role and asks for a transparent, open and predictable process with regards to those measures;*

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 g (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4g. Urges the Commission to show more flexibility to the adaptation and changes brought by member states to the recovery and resilience plans and requests a special emergency and rapid procedure for any changes generated by the current context and challenges; calls upon the Commission to initiate such a policy change in 30 days after the EU budget approval allowing countries to improve their plans by the end of the contracting period; invites the Commission and the Council to evaluate the possibility to extend by one year the implementation of the RRF;**

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 h (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4h. Deplores the fact that the funds from the Recovery and Resilience Facility are being unlawfully and intentionally withheld from some Member States under false and groundless claims; urges the European Commission to immediately disburse funds which are entitled to the Member States;**

Or. en

**Amendment 19**  
**Victor Negrescu**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 i (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4i. Urges the Commission and the Council to integrate in the EU budget 2023 additional financial resources allowing the implementation of the results and recommendations resulting from the European Year for Youth;**

Or. en

**Amendment 20**  
**Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

**5. Urges the Committee on Budgets to *incorporate* the above-mentioned suggestions *for* budget *increases into its motion for a resolution, as they serve the purpose of delivering concrete results and quality communication to citizens.***

*Amendment*

**5. *Proposes to* the Committee on Budgets to *analyze* the above-mentioned suggestions *concerning the* budget.**

Or. en