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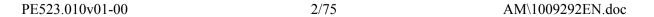
Draft report Anthea McIntyre(PE506.199v01-00)

on the future of Europe's horticulture sector - strategies for growth (2013/2100(INI))

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Amendment 1
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market,

Or. en

Amendment 2
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 1 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Directive 2009/128/EC of 21 October 2009 on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides,

Or. en

Amendment 3
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 of 28 June 2007 on organic production and labelling of organic

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products,

Or. en

Amendment 4
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 19 January 2012 on the farm input supply chain: structure and implications,

Or. en

Amendment 5 Francesca Barracciu

Motion for a resolution Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission communication of 3 May 2011 entitled 'Our life insurance, our natural capital: an EU biodiversity strategy to 2020' (COM(2011)0244),

Or. it

Amendment 6 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital A

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A. whereas the fruit and vegetables (F&V) sector accounts for 18 % of the total value of agricultural production in the EU, represents 3 % of the EU's cultivated area and is worth more than EUR 50 billion;

Amendment

A. whereas the fruit and vegetables (F&V) sector *receives only 3 % of Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) aid yet* accounts for 18 % of the total value of agricultural production in the EU, represents 3 % of the EU's cultivated area and is worth more than EUR 50 billion;

Or. es

Amendment 7 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the fruit and vegetables (F&V) sector accounts for 18 % of *the* total *value of* agricultural production in the EU, represents 3 % of the EU's *cultivated* area and is worth more than EUR 50 billion;

Amendment

A. whereas the fruit and vegetables (F&V) sector accounts for 18 % of total agricultural production in the EU, represents 3 % of the EU's *usable agricultural* area and is worth more than EUR 50 billion;

Or. es

Amendment 8 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. Whereas horticulture includes fruit, vegetables, potatoes, salads, herbs and ornamentals;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas the sector is important for the economy of production areas, because the latter, as a general rule, tend to have a high unemployment rate;

Or. es

Amendment 10 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas the sector plays an important role in regions that have a high unemployment rate, and which has been made worse by the current economic crisis;

Or. es

Amendment 11 Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. Whereas, next to the F&V sector, the EU is also the world's biggest producer of

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flowers, bulbs and potted plants; whereas the ornamental sector has an estimated turnover of EUR 20 billion in production, EUR 28 billion in wholesale trade and EUR 38 billion in retail trade, and approximately 650.000 employees;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas *despite being* the world's second-largest producer, *the EU is* also the second-largest importer of F&V;

Amendment

C. whereas *the EU is* the world's second-largest producer, *and* also the second-largest importer of F&V;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas despite being the world's second-largest producer, the EU is also the second-largest importer of F&V;

Amendment

C. whereas despite being the world's second-largest producer, the EU is also the second-largest importer of F&V; whereas F&V trade rose from over 90 billion USD in 2000 to nearly 218 billion USD in 2010 and accounts for almost 21 per cent of global food and animal product trade; whereas free-trade agreements signed or negotiated by the EU represent new trade opportunities for Europe's and partner countries' horticulture sector;

Amendment 14 Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas despite being the world's second-largest producer, the EU is also the second-largest importer of F&V;

Amendment

C. whereas despite being the world's second-largest producer, the EU is also the second-largest importer of F&V and whereas demand in this sector is growing and currently exceeds supply;

Or. it

Amendment 15 Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the horticulture sector – primary production and processing industry – acts as an economic multiplier at European level, stimulating demand and the creation of added value in other economic sectors such as trade, construction and financial services;

Or. ro

Amendment 16 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Recital C a (new)

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Amendment

Ca. whereas the Union has opened up its markets considerably to imports from third countries with which it has concluded trade agreements, and has also done so on the basis of multilateral agreements;

Or. es

Amendment 17
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the organic fruit and vegetable sector is the fastest growing organic sector within an EU market worth 19.7 billion Euro in 2011 and growing by 9% between 2010 and 2011, in a decadelong trend of annual growth between 5-10%; in terms of area, organic fruit increased by 18.2% and organic vegetables by 3.5% between 2010 and 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas per capita F&V consumption in

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2011 for the EU-27 decreased by 3 % compared with the average consumption of the previous five years;

2011 for the EU-27 decreased by 3 % compared with the average consumption of the previous five years, *in spite of the substantial health benefits which eating F&V brings*;

Or. es

Amendment 19 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. Whereas the EU produces 44% of the world's flowers and pot plants, with the highest density per hectare, and is worth a total estimated value of 19.8 billion euros;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas more than half of all EU growers do not belong to a producer organisation (PO) despite the Commission's objective of an average rate of 60 % PO membership by 2013; whereas the low rate of organisation has been partly caused by the suspension of POs within Member States, which creates uncertainty among producers;

Amendment

E. whereas more than half of all EU growers do not belong to a producer organisation (PO) despite the Commission's objective of an average rate of 60 % PO membership by 2013;

Or. es

Amendment 21 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas more than half of all EU growers do not belong to a *producer organisation* (PO) despite the Commission's objective of an average rate of 60 % PO membership by 2013; whereas the low rate of organisation has been partly caused by the suspension of POs within Member States, which creates uncertainty among producers;

Amendment

E. whereas membership of producer organisations (POs) should be increased by making the system more attractive to individual farmers, in view of the fact that more than half of all EU growers still do not belong to a PO despite the Commission's objective of an average rate of 60 % PO membership by 2013; whereas the low rate of organisation has been partly caused by the suspension of POs within Member States, which creates uncertainty among producers, given that POs play a key role in enhancing the negotiating power of F&V organisations and in restoring balance in the food chain;

Or. es

Amendment 22 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the average level of membership of POs is significantly higher in regions where production methods are more up to date and geared towards exports; whereas the percentage is lower in regions in which, for years, no operational funds have been available;

Or. es

Amendment 23 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital E b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Eb. whereas it is essential to prevent uncertainty among producers by clarifying European legislation on the recognition of POs;

Or. es

Amendment 24
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas, according to Eurostat, total input costs for EU farmers climbed on average by almost 40% between 2000 and 2010, while farm gate prices increased on average by less than 25%; whereas the increase in input costs was almost 80% for synthetic fertilisers and soil improvers, almost 30% for seeds and planting stock and nearly 13% for plant protection products;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital E b (new)

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Amendment

Eb. whereby the loss of soil fertility due to erosion, decreased input of organic matter leading to poor crumb structure and humus levels and decreased nutrient and water retention, and reduction of ecological processes is a significant cost both to farmers and the public budget;

Or. en

Amendment 26 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Recital E c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ec. whereas the F&V regime is part of the CAP and seeks, among other objectives, to concentrate supply, restore balance in the food chain, promote F&V, boost competitiveness and provide technical support for environmentally-friendly production;

Or. es

Amendment 27 Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas in many Member States the horticulture sector incorporates other sectors of the economy, including ornamental plant cultivation, nurseries, perennial nurseries, gardening services,

such as cemetery gardening, gardening supply retailers, garden centres and florists and landscape gardening;

Or. de

Amendment 28 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas, in addition to the cultivation of fruit and vegetables, the horticulture sector also incorporates the cultivation of ornamental plants, nurseries, perennial nurseries, gardening services, cemetery gardening and landscape gardening;

Or. de

Amendment 29 Francesca Barracciu

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas a large number of F&V varieties are under threat of extinction because they are not sufficiently profitable, and whereas farmers who continue to grow those varieties play an environmentally, socially and culturally valuable role in preserving important component parts of Europe's agricultural base;

Or. it

Amendment 30 Paolo De Castro

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas the growing difficulties being experienced in connection with plant pest prevention, control and eradication and the limited availability of plant protection products for vegetable crops could have an adverse effect on agricultural diversity and vegetable quality in Europe;

Or. it

Amendment 31
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas generally we are increasingly dependent upon an ever narrower range of genetic diversity for our fruit and vegetable crops, both in numbers of species and varieties and within varieties. This increases susceptibility to pests and climatic volatility and can disrupt food supplies during crises and so poses a risk for long term food security, which needs diversity to ensure resilience;

Or. en

Amendment 32 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Recital F b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fb. whereas businesses operating in the horticulture sector are often also involved in the areas of production, sales and services;

Or. de

Amendment 33
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital F b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fb. whereas transgenesis can be defined as a genetic engineering technique which introduces into a subject plant a foreign gene from another species;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Recital F c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fc. whereas cisgenesis can be defined as a genetic engineering technique which introduces into a subject plant a gene from its relatives of the same species or genus;

Or. en

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Amendment 35 Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace, in which connection particular attention must be paid to research and development, energy efficiency and security, adjustment to climate change and measures to improve marketing;

Or. de

Amendment 36 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector *and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace*;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector in the areas of research and development, energy efficiency and security, adjustment to and the combating of climate change and innovation;

Or. de

Amendment 37 Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

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1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace, with a focus on support for research and development, energy efficiency and security and measures to improve marketing;

Or. de

Amendment 38 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete *better* in the global marketplace;

Or. de

Amendment 39 Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector *and* enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector *through innovation and internationalisation, thus* enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Or. it

Amendment 40 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace;

Amendment

1. Stresses the importance of promoting the EU horticulture sector and enabling it to compete in the global marketplace, and of continuing efforts to eliminate the imbalance between operators and suppliers by increasing the level of concentration in the sector;

Or. es

Amendment 41 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets, for example by removing phytosanitary barriers that limit the export potential of flowers and ornamental plants;

Amendment

2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets, for example by removing phytosanitary barriers that limit the export potential of *fruit*, *vegetables*, flowers and ornamental plants;

Or. it

Amendment 42 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets, for example by removing phytosanitary barriers that limit the export potential of flowers and ornamental plants;

Amendment

2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets, for example by removing phytosanitary barriers that limit the export potential of *fruit*, *vegetables*, flowers and ornamental plants;

Or. es

Amendment 43 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets, for example by removing phytosanitary barriers that limit the export potential of flowers and ornamental plants;

Amendment

2. Emphasises the need to make it easier for producers to gain access to third-country markets; calls on the Commission to increase its efforts to support horticultural exporters to overcome the increasing number of non-tariff barriers, such as some third country phytosanitary standards, that make EU exports difficult, if not impossible;

Or. en

Amendment 44 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Calls on the Commission to establish the same market access conditions, as regards marketing standards, designations of origin, etc., for all market

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participants in the EU and to carry out checks to ensure that those conditions are observed, in order to prevent distortions of competition;

Or. de

Amendment 45 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the *Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry* schemes *in the UK*;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption, *and flower and plant sales*, in Member States through educational activities such as the *Community F&V promotion* schemes *in schools*;

Or. es

Amendment 46 Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the *EU School Fruit Scheme or the* Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Or. de

Amendment 47 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK *and the EU School Fruit Scheme, an important programme at European level*;

Or de

Amendment 48 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the *EU School Fruit Scheme or the* Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Or. de

Amendment 49 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V

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consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK; consumption in Member States through educational *and health* activities such as the *School Fruit Scheme and other initiatives implemented in the Member States such as the* Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Or. es

Amendment 50 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption and the wider use of ornamental plants in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes, as well as the National Gardening Week and the RHS Campaign for School Gardening, in the UK;

Or. en

Amendment 51 Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

Amendment

3. Encourages the promotion of F&V consumption in Member States through educational activities such as the *oil in schools scheme and the* Grow Your Own Potato and Cook Your Own Potato industry schemes in the UK;

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Amendment 52 Mariya Gabriel

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Welcomes the extension of the School Fruit Scheme under the new CAP and the increase in its annual budget;

Or. bg

Amendment 53 Luís Paulo Alves

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Notes that local and regional markets often have insufficient supplies of horticultural products produced there and agricultural entrepreneurship should therefore be promoted in these regions, in particular through incentives for young entrepreneurship, which will offer an employment opportunity in the agricultural sector and a guarantee for the supply of fresh local produce;

Or. pt

Amendment 54 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Emphasises the benefits of ornamental horticulture to human health and well-being in enhancing green spaces, in amelioration of the urban environment in relation to climate change and to the rural economy; stresses the need for more active support for this sector, in terms of encouraging investment and career development;

Or. en

Amendment 55 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3b. Believes that roof gardens can be used to create green spaces in urban areas to improve air quality and biodiversity and provide significant potential for the growing of plants and of small quantities of fruit and vegetables; urges the Member States to encourage the use of roof gardens wherever possible in urban environments;

Or. en

Amendment 56 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V

4. *Welcomes* the measures in the EU F&V

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regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations; regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations;

Or. de

Amendment 57 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations;

Amendment

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, *concentrate production*, encourage innovation, *promote F&V*, and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and *the recognition of* inter-branch organisations;

Or. es

Amendment 58 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation *and* increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations;

Amendment

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation, increase growers' competitiveness, *improve marketing*, product quality and the environmental aspects of production, and step up

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prevention and market management measures, through the provision of support to POs, associations of POs and inter-branch organisations;

Or. es

Amendment 59 Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations;

Amendment

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations; points out, at the same time, that steps must be taken to ensure that self- and direct marketers do not suffer discrimination;

Or. de

Amendment 60 Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations;

Amendment

4. Notes the measures in the EU F&V regime which are intended to increase market orientation among EU growers, encourage innovation and increase growers' competitiveness through the provision of support to POs and interbranch organisations promoting the formation of clusters on which to focus

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resources and tax incentives that will generate new income streams to be channelled into new investments;

Or. it

Amendment 61 Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Calls, in that connection, for the introduction of a balanced and intensive support model, so that direct marketers also have the opportunity to implement innovative projects and enhance their competitiveness;

Or. de

Amendment 62 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Stresses that individual and collective investment in physical assets on farms, funded under operational programmes, is taking on greater strategic importance in terms of maintaining the competitiveness on which the economic sustainability of farms and jobs in the sector depends;

Or. es

Amendment 63 Mariya Gabriel

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the scope for providing more coupled support under the new CAP, which will contribute to production stability in sensitive sectors such as fruit and vegetable growing;

Or. bg

Amendment 64 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Points out that local and regional production and marketing help to create and safeguard economic activity and jobs in rural areas;

Or. de

Amendment 65 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4b. Points out that short value chains help to reduce emissions which are damaging to the climate;

Or. de

Amendment 66 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4c. Notes that urban farming offers the horticulture sector new outlets:

Or. de

Amendment 67 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the Commission public consultation entitled 'A Review of the EU Regime for the Fruit and Vegetables Sector', *in particular section 3.8 thereof*, which acknowledges the need for simplification of the current rules governing POs;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the *report on the*Commission public consultation entitled
'A Review of the EU Regime for the Fruit
and Vegetables Sector', which
acknowledges the need for simplification
of the current rules governing POs, *and*, *in*particular, endorses its proposal to
strengthen POs and crisis management
instruments;

Or. es

Amendment 68 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

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5. Welcomes the Commission public consultation entitled 'A Review of the EU Regime for the Fruit and Vegetables Sector', in particular section 3.8 thereof, which acknowledges the need for simplification of the current rules governing POs;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the Commission public consultation entitled 'A Review of the EU Regime for the Fruit and Vegetables Sector', in particular section 3.8 thereof, which acknowledges the need for simplification of the current rules governing POs; notes that most of the replies are in favour of maintaining the basic philosophy of the current support arrangements;

Or. es

Amendment 69 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Emphasises that cutting red tape is particularly important for small and medium-sized businesses, although such measures must not undermine the legal certainty which such businesses also rely on;

Amendment

Or. de

Amendment 70 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Supports the work of the Newcastle Group aimed at improving the EU fruit and vegetables regime;

deleted

Amendment 71 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Supports the work of the Newcastle Group aimed at improving the EU fruit and vegetables regime;

Amendment

6. Supports the work of the Newcastle Group aimed at improving the EU fruit and vegetables regime, which should take account of the specific nature of the legal arrangements governing cooperatives in the Member States, given that most POs have the legal status of a cooperative;

Or. es

Amendment 72 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Welcomes the fact that the CAP reform agreement retains the PO-based European F&V aid system;

Or. es

Amendment 73 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 a (new)

Amendment

6a. Opposes, however, any transfer of PO support measures to the rural development pillar, as this could lead to a substantial decrease in support for the F&V sector, and calls for the budget for operational programmes to continue without a ceiling so as not to limit the creation of new POs;

Or. es

Amendment 74 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6b. Stresses the need to improve the existing instruments used to tackle market crises, and create new ones, given that the existing instruments have been ineffective thus far, as recognised by the Commission in its public consultation document entitled 'A Review of the EU Regime for the Fruit and Vegetables Sector';

Or. es

Amendment 75 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6c. Expresses its support, in that

connection, for the introduction of new crisis management measures, such as income insurance, export credits and mutual-fund contributions, financed from operational funds;

Or. es

Amendment 76 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6d. Supports also the establishment of a Community instrument for managing serious crises affecting a number of Member States, and stresses that it should be open to all producers, irrespective of whether or not they are members of POs;

Or. es

Amendment 77 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6e. Underlines the need to increase consumption of these products in the Union, and, accordingly, to make Community promotion instruments, which can play a key role in times of crisis, more effective;

Or. es

Amendment 78 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6f. Supports the establishment of a Community observatory to improve the monitoring of prices and the quantities produced and marketed, with a view to enhancing crisis prevention and management;

Or. es

Amendment 79 Nils Torvalds

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce clearer practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States;

Amendment

7. In order to strengthen the beneficial activities carried out by POs to producers, it is of crucial importance that the Member States provide the POs with help and information on, including, but not limited to, the market structures that exist in Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 80 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

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7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce clearer practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States;

Amendment

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce clearer practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, so that they can play their intended market role and so that growers have an incentive to join POs;

Or. de

Amendment 81 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce *clearer* practical rules *about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts* to fit the market structures that exist in Member States:

Amendment

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce practical rules on the design and working methods of POs and adjust the scheme to fit the market structures that exist in Member States, so that it is attractive for growers to join POs;

Or. de

Amendment 82 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States; designed and managed, although growers must remain free to take their own decisions on these matters;

Or. de

Amendment 83 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce clearer practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States:

Amendment

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce clearer practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States, provided that this does not jeopardise the achievement of the regime's fundamental objectives and undermine its principles;

Or. es

Amendment 84 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce *clearer* practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to join

Amendment

7. Calls on the Commission, in its review of the EU F&V regime, to produce *clear and* practical rules about how POs should be designed and managed, and believes that in order to encourage more growers to

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POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States;

join POs it is crucially important that the scheme adapts to fit the market structures that exist in Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 85 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Notes with concern that Producer Organisation scheme rules are open to wide interpretation by the Commission's Auditors, which leads to a high degree of uncertainty and can leave Member States at risk of disallowance and judicial review; also stresses that audit procedures and financial corrections must be carried out in a more timely manner and within an agreed audit time period;

Or. en

Amendment 86 Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Welcomes the 'School Fruit Scheme' and the increase in funding from EUR 90 million to EUR 150 million annually;

Or. ro

Amendment 87 Nils Torvalds

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes that unfair trading practices remain across the EU which undermine horticultural businesses and diminish growers' confidence to invest in the future;

Amendment

8. Suggests that Member States introduce an ombudsman to monitor market structures and trading practices;

Or. en

Amendment 88 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes that unfair trading practices remain across the EU which undermine horticultural businesses and diminish growers' confidence to invest in the future;

Amendment

8. Notes that unfair trading practices remain across the EU which undermine horticultural businesses *and their POs* and diminish growers' confidence to invest in the future;

Or. de

Amendment 89 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Takes the view that the private standards for pesticide residues that have been adopted by many large retails chains are anti-competitive and detrimental to

the interests of F&V growers; calls on the Commission to put an end to such practices, given that the pesticide residue levels laid down in EU legislation provide adequate protection for the health of both consumers and producers;

Or. it

Amendment 90 Rareș-Lucian Niculescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Draws attention to the problems created by fraud in the food sector, undermining consumer confidence in agricultural products;

Or ro

Amendment 91 Nils Torvalds

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Believes that codes of conduct agreed by all actors in the supply chain, backed by a legislative framework and overseen by a national adjudicator in each Member State, will greatly improve the functioning of the food chain and the internal market;

Amendment

9. Further suggests that the ombudsman, as introduced in line with paragraph 8, and in cooperation with the actors involved, oversees existing codes of conduct and encourages the creation of such codes where they do not already exist, as codes of conduct and transparency in the supply chain could significantly improve the functioning of the food chain and the internal market;

Or. en

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Amendment 92
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Recognises that monocultures and continuous cropping lead to build up of pests in soil and vegetation;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Recognises that systematic and continued use of pesticides, especially used in a prophylactic way, leads to resistance via adaptation by pest species;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9c. Stresses that simple agronomic techniques such as crop rotation break

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pest reproductive cycles and help keep pest populations low;

Or. en

Amendment 95
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9d. Calls upon the Commission and Member States to promote integrated pest management (IPM) and good agronomic practice, whereby chemicals are used as a last resort in a hierarchy of action, which uses non-chemical alternatives first;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9e. Calls upon the Commission to support innovation and entrepreneurship through increased research and development on non-chemical alternatives such as natural predators and parasites of pest species, to increase options available for farmers to manage pest populations;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9f. Calls upon the Commission and Member States to promote and emphasise the intensification of ecological processes ensuring long-term soil health, fertility and formation, as well as managing and regulating pest populations; believes this can lead to long term productivity gains for farmers and reduced costs to public budgets;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Stresses that horticulture is reliant on a variety of plant protection and fertiliser products, and urges the Commission to take a risk-based approach to the regulation of these products that is justified by scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to plant protection product regulation from multiple perspectives;

Amendment

10. Realises that industrial scale horticulture using monocultures and continuous cropping is only possible using a variety of plant protection products and synthetic fertilisers, and urges the Commission to take a risk-based approach to the regulation of these products based on the precautionary principle, that is justified by peer-reviewed, independent scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to plant protection product regulation from multiple perspectives;

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Amendment 99 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Stresses that horticulture is reliant on a variety of plant protection *and fertiliser* products, and urges the Commission to take a risk-based approach to the regulation of these products that is justified by scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to *plant protection product* regulation from multiple perspectives;

Amendment

10. Stresses that horticulture is reliant on a variety of plant protection products (PPPs) and urges the Commission to take a riskbased approach to the regulation of these products that is justified by scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable and calls on the Commission to strengthen the coordination of data generation across the Member States, specifically residues data which is an essential requirement for authorisations on edible speciality crops; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to **PPP** regulation from multiple perspectives;

Or. en

Amendment 100 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

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scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to plant protection product regulation from multiple perspectives;

scientific evidence; emphasises that minor uses are particularly vulnerable *owing to the scarcity of the relevant active substances*; calls on DG Agri, DG Sanco, DG Environment and DG Competition to work strategically together to take into account the impact of changes to plant protection product regulation from multiple perspectives;

Or. es

Amendment 101 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Calls on the Commission to simplify mutual recognition procedures to facilitate the approval of products for minor uses by the Member States; urges the Commission to consider the long-term goal of global harmonisation for regulating PPPs and reducing non-tariff trade barriers to export trade;

Or. en

Amendment 102 Paolo De Castro

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Urges the Commission to submit, in accordance with Article 51(9) of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 and without further delay, a report to the European Parliament and the Council on

the setting up of a European fund for minor uses and specialty crops; stresses that that fund should be used to finance an ongoing European work programme for coordination and cooperation between agri-food operators, competent authorities and stakeholders including research bodies on carrying out and, where appropriate, funding research and innovation work geared to protecting specialty crops and minor uses;

Or it

Amendment 103 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Points out that imports are not required to meet the same phytosanitary requirements as European products; stresses that this ongoing disparity is undermining the competitiveness of European producers and is detrimental to the interests of European consumers;

Or. es

Amendment 104 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Draws attention to the economic, social and environmental importance of the cut flowers sector in flower-growing regions and the need for greater

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coherence in the Union's trade policy as it affects the sector, so that imports are required to meet the same phytosanitary, social and environmental standards as European products; draws attention, further, to the problem posed to the ornamental plants sector by the VAT increase introduced in some Member States, which is having a significant impact on sales;

Or. es

Amendment 105 Paolo De Castro

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Urges the Commission to review the operation of the arrangements for mutual recognition of plant protection product authorisations laid down in Article 40 of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009, with a view to streamlining their implementation and getting rid of any unnecessary red tape;

Or. it

Amendment 106 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recalls that both the Plant Protection Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009) and the new Biocides Regulation (Regulation (EU) Amendment

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No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013; is concerned that these criteria have the potential to remove significant substances which could still be used with acceptable risk; urges the Commission to fully consider the impact of different approaches when presenting proposals for endocrine disruptors;

No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013;

Or de

Amendment 107
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recalls that both the Plant Protection Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009) and the new Biocides Regulation (Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013; is concerned that these criteria have the potential to remove significant substances which could still be used with acceptable risk; urges the Commission to fully consider the impact of different approaches when presenting proposals for endocrine disruptors;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 108 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recalls that both the Plant Protection Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009) and the new Biocides Regulation (Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013; is concerned that these criteria have the potential to remove significant substances which could still be used with acceptable risk; urges the Commission to fully consider the impact of different approaches when presenting proposals for endocrine disruptors;

Amendment

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Or. de

Amendment 109 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Recalls that both the Plant Protection Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009) and the new Biocides Regulation (Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013; is concerned that these criteria *have the*

Amendment

11. Recalls that both the Plant Protection Products Regulation (Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of 21 October 2009) and the new Biocides Regulation (Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of 22 May 2012) require the Commission to specify scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties by December 2013; is concerned that these criteria *will* remove

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potential to remove significant substances which could still be used with acceptable risk; urges the Commission to fully consider the impact of different approaches when presenting proposals for endocrine disruptors;

significant substances which could still be used with acceptable risk; urges the Commission to fully consider the impact of different approaches when presenting proposals for endocrine disruptors;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 110 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

deleted

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

Or. de

Amendment 111 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

deleted

Or. it

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Amendment 112 Janusz Wojciechowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

Amendment

deleted

Or. pl

Amendment 113 Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on the Commission to *reassess* the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids *in light of* new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the *economic and* environmental impact of *such* restrictions before bringing them into force;

Amendment

12. Calls on the Commission to *continue* the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids *and to consistently examine any* new scientific evidence *in this field* and urges the Commission to properly assess the environmental impact of *any* restrictions before bringing them into force *and to give due consideration to any economic impact*;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of *some* neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

Amendment

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of *3 high risk* neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

Or. en

Amendment 115 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions before bringing them into force;

Amendment

12. Calls on the Commission to reassess the current restrictions on the use of some neonicotoinoids in light of new scientific evidence and urges the Commission to properly assess the economic and environmental impact of such restrictions, as regards location, type and time of use, before bringing them into force;

Or. de

Amendment 116 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Emphasises that the horticulture

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sector relies heavily on the use of high quality, well specified fertiliser materials; welcomes the current review of the EU Fertilisers Regulation but notes with concern the Commission's aim to include the previously non-prescribed material soil improvers; stresses that this material does not require precision in manufacturing and use and calls on the Commission not to include it within the scope of the Fertilisers Regulation;

Or en

Amendment 117
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Stresses that in the light of the ban on 3 neonicotinoids, it is an unacceptable economic and environmental risk to undermine the natural resources upon which agriculture depends and the delivery of essential ecosystem services such as pollination, worth 16.2 billion Euro annually in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 118 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Highlights the *potential of* precision farming *in horticulture* and believes that

Amendment

13. Highlights the fact that the horticulture sector is leading the

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such *techniques could significantly* reduce the use of *chemicals*;

development and adoption of innovative precision farming systems and believes that such systems will reduce the use of pesticides and fertilisers, increase marketable yields and reduce waste as well as improve continuity of supply and economic performance;

Or. en

Amendment 119 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Calls for plant cultivation methods, such as crop rotation and the planting of catch crops, the use of traditional and new varieties and research and development, should be geared to minimising the environmental damage caused by the horticulture sector;

Or. de

Amendment 120 Herbert Dorfmann

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary, any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity;

deleted

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Amendment 121 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary, any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity;

Amendment

14. Notes the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that changes to legislation must not serve to endanger traditional varieties and crops;

Or. de

Amendment 122 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary, any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity;

Amendment

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary to assure quality and facilitate innovation in breeding, the proposals would impact disproportionately on the horticultural sector, and in particular on ornamentals and fruit; stresses that any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity;

Or. en

Amendment 123 Martin Häusling on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary, any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity;

Amendment

14. Notes with concern the Commission proposal for a regulation on plant reproductive material (COM(2013)0262) and stresses that while regulation in this area is necessary, any legislation should be proportional and recognise the principle of subsidiarity; stresses the need for genetic diversity of and within populations of crops, for long term food security and resilience of food systems;

Or. en

Amendment 124 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Notes the impact of non-native invasive horticultural species on the wider environment, but recommends that a regional, or country based approach is taken in the Commission proposal for a regulation on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien species (COM(2013) 620), which recognises that some areas of Europe are more vulnerable than others and that different areas of Europe have different climates that will support a different array of plants;

Or. en

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Amendment 125 Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Strongly urges the Commission to safeguard as a general principle the freedom of plant breeders to use existing plant materials freely to develop and market new ones, regardless of any patent claims extending to plant materials;

Or. en

Amendment 126 Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to support the development of local fruit and vegetable markets and of short supply chains, thereby ensuring product freshness;

Or. ro

Amendment 127 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Urges the Commission to prioritise

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economically important horticultural crops for funding and research using new and innovative plant breeding techniques, and to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced by these new techniques;

Or. de

Amendment 128 Janusz Wojciechowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Urges the Commission to prioritise economically important horticultural crops for funding and research using new and innovative plant breeding techniques, and to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced by these new techniques;

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Or. pl

Amendment 129 Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Urges the Commission to prioritise economically important horticultural crops for funding and research using new and innovative plant breeding techniques, and to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced by these new techniques;

Amendment

15. Urges the Commission to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced *using* new *and innovative breeding* techniques;

Or. de

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Amendment 130 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Urges the Commission to prioritise *economically important* horticultural crops for funding and research using new and innovative plant breeding *techniques*, *and to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced by these new* techniques;

Amendment

15. Urges the Commission to prioritise horticultural crops for funding and research using new and innovative plant breeding techniques;

Or. en

Amendment 131 Francesca Barracciu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Urges the Commission to ensure that appropriate subsidies are introduced for farmers who grow crops that are under threat of extinction, thus making an environmentally, socially and culturally valuable contribution to safeguarding Europe's agrobiodiversity;

Or. it

Amendment 132 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the Commission to provide clarity about the regulatory status of plants produced by new breeding techniques (NBTs) and to ensure that any NBTs that are found not to lead to GMOs will be treated like conventional breeding techniques, and will therefore not be subject to any process based pre-market authorisation procedures;

Or. en

Amendment 133 Esther de Lange

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the Commission to include 'protected cultivations' in Horizon 2020 calls, in order to stimulate innovation regarding for example sustainable crop protection, sustainable water and nutrient usage, energy efficiency, advanced cultivation and production systems and sustainable transport;

Or. en

Amendment 134 Janusz Wojciechowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between cisgenic and

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transgenic plants and to create a different approvals process for cisgenic plants so as to recognise that cisgenesis is an extension of plant breeding and not a form of genetic modification;

Or. pl

Amendment 135 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between cisgenic and transgenic plants and to create a different approvals process for cisgenic plants so as to recognise that cisgenesis is an extension of plant breeding and not a form of genetic modification;

Amendment

16. Calls on the Commission to ensure that the ban on the cultivation and breeding of genetically modified plants in the EU is upheld;

Or. de

Amendment 136 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between cisgenic and transgenic plants and to create a different approvals process for cisgenic plants so as to recognise that cisgenesis is an *extension of plant breeding and not a* form of *genetic modification*;

Amendment

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between cisgenic and transgenic plants and to create a different approvals process for cisgenic plants so as to recognise that cisgenesis is an *accelerated* form of *conventional plant breeding*;

Or. en

Amendment 137 Martin Häusling on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between cisgenic and transgenic plants and to create a different approvals process for cisgenic plants so as to recognise that cisgenesis is an extension of plant breeding and not a form of genetic modification;

Amendment

16. Calls on the Commission to differentiate between eisgenic, mutagenic and transgenic plants and to create different approvals processes for different forms of plant breeding; awaits the EFSA opinion demanded by DG SANCO evaluating the findings of the working group of new biotech breeding techniques;

Or en

Amendment 138 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Highlights the *specific* labour needs of the horticulture sector, *and specifically the need for seasonal workers*, and calls on the Member States to ensure that there are effective schemes in place to ensure that horticulture producers can access the labour they need for key periods of the year;

Amendment

17. Highlights the *seasonally high* labour needs of the horticulture sector, and calls on the Member States to ensure that there are effective schemes in place to ensure that horticulture producers can access the labour they need for key periods of the year, and emphasises that appropriate wages must be paid, that wage dumping must be ruled out and that steps must be taken to ensure that social standards are complied with;

Or. de

Amendment 139 Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Highlights the specific labour needs of the horticulture sector, and specifically the need for seasonal workers, and calls on the Member States to ensure that there are effective schemes in place to ensure that horticulture producers can access the labour they need for key periods of the year;

Amendment

17. Highlights the specific labour needs of the horticulture sector, and specifically the need for seasonal workers, and calls on the Member States to ensure that there are effective schemes in place to ensure that horticulture producers can access the labour they need for key periods of the year while fully respecting the requirements of the Seasonal Workers Directive;

Or. en

Amendment 140 Michel Dantin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Stresses the importance for the horticulture sector and its competitiveness of the reduced rate of VAT authorised under Community rules; calls, therefore, on the Member States to apply that reduced rate to horticulture products;

Or. fr

Amendment 141 Elisabeth Jeggle

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

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Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low and that the young people taking such apprenticeships are not always suited to them;

Or. de

Amendment 142 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on *apprenticeships in* workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on workforce training *and apprenticeships* but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low;

Or. en

Amendment 143 Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States

Amendment

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States

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remains worryingly low;

remains worryingly low, restricting the openings for young people with an interest in this sector;

Or. it

Amendment 144 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the renewed emphasis on apprenticeships in workforce training but notes with concern that the numbers of people completing horticulture apprenticeships in some Member States remains worryingly low; *emphasises that Europe-wide information campaigns encouraging young people to consider jobs in horticulture can help to enhance the sector's image*;

Or. de

Amendment 145 Elisabeth Jeggle, Christa Klaß

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Takes the view that efforts to encourage young people to consider jobs in the horticulture sector and to provide them with training should be supported by means of awareness-raising and information campaigns at European level, for example in the form of flanking measures implemented as part of the EU School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme;

Amendment 146 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Emphasises the benefits of strengthening and extending partnerships between government, industry and research organisations and the need to *clarify* through dialogue respective roles and funding responsibilities in order to maximise the impact and coherence of investments overall;

Amendment

20. Emphasises the benefits of strengthening and extending partnerships between government, industry and research organisations and the need to *ensure that* schemes to support such partnerships are structured in a way that maximises the impact and coherence of investments overall;

Or. en

Amendment 147 Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Stresses the vital importance of making efficient use of qualified scientific resources so as to speed up the application of research and innovation results through the transfer of innovatory agricultural production technology to the horticulture sector and the combination of research, innovation, training and expansion in the agricultural sector with economic policies meeting the requirements and increasing the efficiency of horticultural production development;

Or. ro

Amendment 148 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Calls on the Commission to use the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation to fund applied research that supports the development of integrated strategies for pest, disease and weed control, to provide producers with the necessary tools and information to address Directive 2009/128/EC which says in Article 14 that Member States must "take all necessary measures to promote low pesticide-input pest management, giving, wherever possible, priority to nonchemical methods" and "establish, or support the establishment of necessary conditions for the implementation of integrated pest management";

Or. en

Amendment 149 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. Is of the view that the floriculture and ornamental plant sector must be allowed to make better use of Union programmes for research, technological development and innovation, and calls on the Commission to include 'protected cultivation' in Horizon 2020 calls;

Or. en

Amendment 150 Nils Torvalds

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Is of the view that with funding for agricultural and horticultural research under budgetary constraint in Member States, it has never been more important for retailers to reinvest a proportion of their profits from the fresh produce category back into the sector, with public-sector funders focusing on areas where market failure is most apparent;

Amendment

21. Is of the view that with funding for agricultural and horticultural research under budgetary constraint in Member States, funding by third parties, including, but not limited to, retailers, should be encouraged, and should be in line with the total research interest of the sector;

Or. en

Amendment 151 Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to facilitate access to long-term funding for investment in modern horticultural production technologies so as to enhance the competitiveness of horticultural products and services;

Or. ro

Amendment 152 Paolo De Castro

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Urges the Commission to update, as part of a transparent process involving those working in the sector, the items in Chapter 6 (Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage) of the combined nomenclature (CN 2012);

Or. it

Amendment 153 Janusz Wojciechowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Is concerned by the prospect of horticultural production being transferred out of the European Union;

Or. pl

Amendment 154
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that *up to a third* of edible produce is wasted *because of its appearance* and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that between a third and a half of edible produce is wasted and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce and to enact action plans across the EU to tackle food waste at all steps of the food chain;

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Amendment 155 Iratxe García Pérez, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of *quality* specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing, particularly in local and regional markets, a wider range of specifications of produce, whilst continuing to apply a European policy on product standardisation in order to ensure greater transparency on the market as a whole;

Or. es

Amendment 156 Pilar Ayuso, Esther Herranz García, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Gabriel Mato Adrover

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce, provided that the Community continues to regulate trade standards in such a way as to guarantee the transparency and proper functioning of the market;

Or. es

Amendment 157 Marian Harkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to *urgently* create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Or. en

Amendment 158 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce; draws attention, in that connection, to trials conducted in Austria and Switzerland involving the sale of blemished fruit and vegetables;

Or de

Amendment 159 Rares-Lucian Niculescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce;

Amendment

23. Is deeply concerned that up to a third of edible produce is wasted because of its appearance and calls on the Commission to create possibilities for marketing a wider range of quality specifications of produce; considers it necessary also to develop industrial fruit and vegetable processing facilities;

Or. ro

Amendment 160 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Calls on supermarkets to take into account market research which shows that many consumers are not necessarily worried about the cosmetic appearance of fruit and vegetables and are happy to purchase lower grade produce, particularly if this may appear to be cheaper;

Or. en

Amendment 161 Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Urges Member states to include in their rural development programmes measures to facilitate the storage of

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agricultural products;

Or. ro

Amendment 162
Martin Häusling
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. recognises that reducing systemic food waste is a key to increasing supply of food to a growing world population;

Or. en

Amendment 163 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23b. Notes with concern the overall loss and waste of fruit and vegetables intended for first market use and the significant economic loss to business, but welcomes the efforts being made by actors in the food supply chain to redirect this produce into a secondary market rather than disposing of it;

Or. en

Amendment 164 Rareş-Lucian Niculescu Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23b. Urges Member States to include in their rural development programmes support measures for cultivation in heated conservatories and greenhouses;

Or. ro

Amendment 165 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23c. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to make the legislative and political environment as supportive as possible for uses of horticultural waste; cites that there are a number of materials, such as spent mushroom compost, which could be used in the production of value added growing media were it not classified as 'waste';

Or. en

Amendment 166 Ulrike Rodust

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23a. Points out that aquaponic systems can make sustainable local food production possible and that the combination of freshwater fish farming and vegetable cultivation in a closed

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system can help to reduce resource consumption by comparison with traditional systems;

Or. de

Amendment 167 Anthea McIntyre

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23d. Underlines the importance of user friendly and quarterly EU-wide horticultural statistics to help producers better understand market trends and prepare future harvests; calls on the Commission to include ornamentals in its forecast information;

Or. en