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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **1 - 69**

**Draft opinion**

**Petri Sarvamaa**

(PE653.892v01-00)

General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2021 - all sections  
(2020/1998(BUD))



**Amendment 1**  
**Daniel Buda**

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

*Draft opinion*

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Or. ro

**Amendment 2**  
**Michal Wiezik**

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

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*on the future of food and farming<sup>1a</sup> where it insisted that any budget cuts in agriculture and rural development must not lead to a lowering of ambition;*

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*<sup>1a</sup> Texts adopted, 30.5.2018,  
P8\_TA(2018)0224.*

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Anne Sander**

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Or. fr

**Amendment 4**  
**Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov**

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Or. en

### **Amendment 5**

**Elena Lizzi, Gilles Lebreton, Ivan David, Mara Bizzotto**

on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Maxette Pirbakas**

#### **Draft opinion**

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Or. en

### **Amendment 6**

**Benoît Biteau**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 1 a (new)**

###### *Draft opinion*

###### *Amendment*

**1a. Stresses the Parliament's position**

*that the next MFF should incorporate a legally binding climate-related spending target of 30 % and a biodiversity-related spending target of 10 %; stresses therefore that a transparent, comprehensive and meaningful tracking methodology should be adopted swiftly, for both spending targets, and adapted if necessary during the MFF mid-term revision; highlights that a year 2021 without adequate climate and biodiversity spending and reliable tracking risks impeding the achievement of those targets throughout the next MFF;*

Or. en

**Amendment 7**  
**Michal Wiezik**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*1a. Agrees with the draft budget for 2021<sup>1a</sup> that the fact that new reform of the CAP will apply only after 2021 must not come at the cost of failing to deliver on the European Green Deal; expresses hope that while in 2021 the CAP will still be implemented in accordance with the 2014-2020 rules, the choices and measures implemented on the ground will lead to more positive changes and set us on the path of truly sustainable transition including for the sake of farmers, food security, and the future of Union farming;*

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*1a*

*[https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/about\\_the\\_european\\_commission/eu\\_budget/2020-06-24\\_12h30\\_-\\_soe2021\\_-\\_full\\_-\\_v3.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/about_the_european_commission/eu_budget/2020-06-24_12h30_-_soe2021_-_full_-_v3.pdf)*

Or. en

**Amendment 8**  
**Benoît Biteau**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1b. Notes that the Next Generation EU commitment appropriation as assigned revenue to the 2021 budget amounts to EUR 211 billion; notes with some concern that that amount is equal to approximately 126 % of the regular Union budget commitment appropriations, but is without the same level of parliamentary scrutiny; calls in particular for spending targets of 30 % for climate and 10 % for biodiversity to be applied to the Next Generation EU and the general budget alike;***

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Benoît Biteau**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1c. Stresses that the Next Generation EU funds allocated to the EAFRD should be made available on the same schedule as for other Next Generation EU-supported programmes, given the urgency of frontloading Union commitments from this new recovery instrument;***

Or. en

## Amendment 10

Elena Lizzi, Gilles Lebreton, Ivan David, Mara Bizzotto

on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

Maxette Pirbakas

### Draft opinion

#### Paragraph 2

##### *Draft opinion*

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Or. en

## Amendment 11

Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov

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### **Amendment 12**

**Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov**

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Points out that the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak has emphasised the strategic role that agriculture plays in avoiding a food crisis, by providing safe and high-quality food at affordable prices; insists that food chain security, sustainability and resilience requires further investments to farmers, cooperatives and small and medium-sized enterprises in rural areas;**

Or. en

### **Amendment 13**

**Bert-Jan Ruissen**

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**2a. Requests the allocation of**

*additional resources for market measures in order to ensure adequate means are readily available in the event of further market disturbance as a consequence of COVID-19 outbreak and the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union in particular;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 14**

**Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov**

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 2 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*2b. Recalls also that the Commission evaluation deemed the CAP to be the appropriate framework for developing the targets in the European Green Deal; notes, therefore, that increased sustainability requirements demand adequate funding;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 15**

**Benoît Biteau**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Draft opinion**

#### **Paragraph 3**

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targets of the European Green Deal; notes that increased sustainability requirements demand adequate funding; draws attention to the fact that the COVID-19 crisis *has had a severe impact on numerous Union holdings and has* highlighted the importance of Union food production and supply; recalls that food *sovereignty* and food chain sustainability require investments and support to farmers and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in rural areas, *especially in deprived rural areas; highlights therefore that both the COVID-19 outbreak and the climate and biodiversity crises demonstrate the need for a strong EAFRD;*

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Salvatore De Meo**

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

*Draft opinion*

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(SMEs) in rural areas;

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Or. it

## **Amendment 17** **Michal Wiezik**

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

#### *Draft opinion*

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#### *Amendment*

3. Urges the Council to allow the Union to meet its commitments in providing sufficient funding for a safe, high-quality food supply, climate action, environmental protection and for the Just Transition Mechanism and the Just Transition Fund; notes that increased sustainability requirements demand adequate funding ***and substantially improved baseline***; draws attention to the fact that ***while*** the COVID-19 crisis highlighted the importance of Union food production and supply, ***the failure to adapt and mitigate climate change has been assessed as the gravest risk for a number of years now and half of the biggest risks we face are environmental risks<sup>1a</sup>***; recalls that ***those challenges*** require investments, ***independent advice and knowledge transfer and other*** support to farmers, ***other land managers*** and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in rural areas;

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***<sup>1a</sup> Global Risk Reports - 2018, 2019 and 2020 reports rank climate crisis among the top 10 crisis, with 2019 and 2020 ranking it number one. All three list five environmental risks, including biodiversity loss (ranking 3rd in 2020)***

*among the gravest, both in terms of impact and likelihood.*

Or. en

### **Amendment 18**

**Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov**

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3. Urges, ***therefore***, the Council to allow the Union to meet its commitments in providing sufficient funding for a safe, high-quality food supply, climate action, environmental protection and for the Just Transition Mechanism and the Just Transition Fund, which the agriculture sector needs to benefit significantly from in order to reach the targets of the European Green Deal; ***stresses that the support from Next Generation EU to meet those targets in the scope of rural development needs to be made available as soon as possible, from 2021;***

Or. en

### **Amendment 19 Daniel Buda**

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Or. ro

#### **Amendment 20**

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on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Maxette Pirbakas**

#### **Draft opinion**

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###### *Amendment*

3. Urges the Council to allow the Union, ***as requested by the Parliament's previous resolution,*** to meet its commitments in providing ***realistic*** funding for a safe, high-quality food supply, climate action, environmental protection and for the Just Transition Mechanism and the Just Transition Fund, which the agriculture sector needs to benefit significantly from in order to reach the ***ambitious*** targets of the European Green Deal; notes that increased sustainability requirements demand

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adequate funding; draws attention to the fact that the COVID-19 crisis highlighted the importance of Union food production and supply; recalls that food **sovereignty, food** security and food chain sustainability require investments and support to farmers and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in rural areas **and in the outermost regions**;

Or. en

**Amendment 21**  
**Maria Noichl, Carmen Avram**

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

*Draft opinion*

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**Amendment 22**  
**Ruža Tomašić**

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

*Draft opinion*

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**Amendment 23**  
**Michal Wiezik**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3a. *Highlights that, according to the Court of Auditors' opinion No 5/2020<sup>1a</sup>, the linkage between performance and funding in the Just Transition Fund is relatively weak and there is a significant risk that further spending will be allocated to finance the unsuccessful transition repeatedly; stresses that a sound needs analysis would support better allocation of the Union's financial resources, and target the objectives to be achieved;***

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***1<sup>a</sup> Opinion No 5/2020 (pursuant to Articles 288(4) and 322(1)(a), TFEU) on the Commission's 2020/0006 (COD) proposals of 14 January 2020 and of 28 May 2020 for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Just Transition Fund, available at [https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/OP20\\_05/OP20\\_05\\_EN.pdf](https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/OP20_05/OP20_05_EN.pdf)***

Or. en

**Amendment 24**  
**Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3a. Criticises the fact that the budget for the POSEI programme is being cut by EUR 9 million, i.e. 3.9%, despite the Commission's commitments to maintaining the same level of support for the EU's outermost regions;***

Or. fr

**Amendment 25**  
**Michal Wiezik**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***3b. Underlines that according to the tracking exercise of biodiversity related expenditure, the CAP provides approximately 75 % of the total contribution of all the Union instruments<sup>1a</sup>; highlights the conclusion***

*of the Court of Auditors that the way the Commission tracks biodiversity expenditure in the Union budget is unreliable<sup>1b</sup>; stresses that the impact of CAP direct payments is limited or unknown and that the Commission and Member States have favoured lower-impact rural development measures; calls urgently on the Commission to improve tracking of biodiversity-related expenditure and to objectively assess its true contribution to halting biodiversity loss;*

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*<sup>1a</sup> Draft General Budget of the European Union for the financial year 2019; Draft General Budget for the financial year 2020*

*[https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/about\\_the\\_european\\_commission/eu\\_budget/draft-budget-2020-wd-1-web-1.4.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/about_the_european_commission/eu_budget/draft-budget-2020-wd-1-web-1.4.pdf)*

*<sup>1b</sup>*

*[https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR20\\_13/SR\\_Biodiversity\\_on\\_farm\\_land\\_EN.pdf](https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR20_13/SR_Biodiversity_on_farm_land_EN.pdf)*

Or. en

**Amendment 26**  
**Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3b.** *Takes the view that the cut to appropriations for the promotion of agricultural products (- 4 million, i.e. a 2.1% cut) and the lack of appropriations for intervention measures in agricultural markets such as private storage and public intervention (EUR 10 million) seem removed from the situation for agricultural markets, which are still unstable, and from the need for the*

*production and consumption of agricultural products on the single market and on external markets to be revived;*

Or. fr

**Amendment 27**  
**Michal Wiezik**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3c. Underlines that the Court of Auditors found the estimated CAP contribution towards climate change objectives unrealistic and concluded that overestimating the CAP contribution could lead to lower financial contributions for other policy areas, thus reducing the overall contribution of Union spending to climate change mitigation and adaptation<sup>1a</sup>; calls for the Commission to objectively assess the contribution of the CAP to climate objectives as part of coherent, complementary and ambitious actions at Union level;**

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<sup>1a</sup>

[https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/RW20\\_01/RW\\_Tracking\\_climate\\_spending\\_EN.pdf](https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/RW20_01/RW_Tracking_climate_spending_EN.pdf)

Or. en

**Amendment 28**  
**Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3c. Stresses that, without ambitious revision of the financing and functioning of the agricultural crisis reserve, the EU will not be able to effectively and swiftly respond to further market disruptions; reiterates, therefore, Parliament's proposal to revise the financing and functioning of the agricultural crisis reserve as part of the negotiations on the regulation on the CAP transition;**

Or. fr

**Amendment 29**  
**Michal Wiezik**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3d. Notes and deplors the fact that the draft general budget for 2021 fails to indicate the contribution of different instruments, including the CAP, to financing biodiversity; reiterates that the Union should track its biodiversity-related expenditure to fulfil its reporting obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity;**

Or. en

**Amendment 30**  
**Anne Sander**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**3d. Calls, with a view to contributing to the recovery of the EU's agricultural**

*sectors and rural areas, for part of the recovery plan appropriations under the EAFRD for 2022, 2023 and 2024 to be made available within the framework of advance payments from 2021;*

Or. fr

### **Amendment 31**

**Benoît Biteau**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Draft opinion*

4. Asks the Commission to commit, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, to adjusting its figures in order to address the market crisis in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis;

###### *Amendment*

4. Asks the Commission to commit, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, to adjusting its figures in order to address the market crisis in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis, *as well as sectors impacted by tariff measures imposed by third parties, whilst taking into account the need to condition support for certain polluting sectors on their efforts towards the transition to a resilient and sustainable model;*

Or. en

### **Amendment 32**

**Daniel Buda**

#### **Draft opinion**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Draft opinion*

4. Asks the Commission to commit, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, to adjusting its figures in order to address the market crisis in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the

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COVID-19 crisis; *points out that a number of support measures to combat the effects of the pandemic have not been implemented in certain Member States and need to be more closely tailored to the specific needs of the various agricultural sectors;*

Or. ro

### Amendment 33

Anne Sander

#### Draft opinion

##### Paragraph 4

#### *Draft opinion*

4. Asks the Commission to commit, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, to adjusting its figures in order to address the market *crisis* in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis;

#### *Amendment*

4. Asks the Commission, *therefore*, to commit, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, to adjusting its figures in order to address the market *crises* in certain key *European agricultural* sectors *and rural territories* negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis *and to contribute to their recovery*;

Or. fr

### Amendment 34

Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-DraGoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov

#### Draft opinion

##### Paragraph 4

#### *Draft opinion*

4. *Asks* the Commission *to commit*, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, *to adjusting* its figures in order to address the market crisis in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis;

#### *Amendment*

4. *Stresses that* the Commission, when revising the draft budget via the amending letter, *needs to adjust* its figures *upwards* in order to address the market crisis in certain key sectors negatively impacted by the COVID-19 crisis;

**Amendment 35**  
**Maria Noichl, Carmen Avram**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a. Underlines the fact that Union spending on European agriculture must capitalise on the climate change mitigation potential of European agriculture in the form of a commensurate support policy; stresses that Union expenditure on the Common Agricultural Policy must be in line with the objectives of the Paris climate accord and the Union's climate objectives;**

Or. de

**Amendment 36**  
**Ruža Tomašić**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4a. Highlights the importance of small farms in rural areas, which require particular attention and increased financial resources;**

Or. hr

**Amendment 37**  
**Maria Noichl, Carmen Avram**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4b. Stresses that there has been embezzlement of Union agricultural aid; underscores, in this context, the importance of tying Union agricultural aid in future to a review of the rule of law in the Member States;**

Or. de

**Amendment 38**  
**Maria Noichl**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**4c. Stresses that, in its Special Report 13/2020, the European Court of Auditors found that most CAP spending has little positive impact on biodiversity, that the Commission does not track biodiversity spending reliably and that, furthermore, that spending does not have any effect;**

Or. de

**Amendment 39**  
**Daniel Buda**

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

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products. **regrets the lack of a balanced geographical distribution at Union level**

*regarding funding under the Horizon 2020 programme and urges that as many of those in the farming sector as possible be allowed to benefit from it;*

Or. ro

**Amendment 40**  
**Michal Wiezik**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme *in supporting* research, *development* and innovation in *the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential* in the transition to a zero-carbon economy *by replacing fossil-based products*.

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme *to support* research and innovation in *food, agriculture, rural development and the bio-economy* in the transition to a *more sustainable and future-proof land-use and resource-efficient circular* zero-carbon economy;

Or. en

**Amendment 41**  
**Carmen Avram, Juozas Olekas, Paolo De Castro, Miroslav Číž, Pina Picierno, Adrian-Dragoş Benea, Corina Creţu, Attila Ara-Kovács, Ivo Hristov**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe *programme* in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of *the Union budget, through rural development and* Horizon Europe *programmes* in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products;

Or. en

**Amendment 42**  
**Bert-Jan Ruissen**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products ***and calls for an increased earmarking of funds for agri-food within the Horizon Europe programme;***

Or. en

**Amendment 43**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

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

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme ***and European Innovation Partnership (EIP) funding for natural resources*** in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products;

Or. en

**Amendment 44**  
**Elena Lizzi, Gilles Lebreton, Ivan David, Mara Bizzotto**  
on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Maxette Pirbakas**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy, ***which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.***

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector and bioeconomy;

Or. en

**Amendment 45**

**Benoît Biteau**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector ***and bioeconomy***, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products.

*Amendment*

5. Recalls the importance of Horizon Europe programme in supporting research, development and innovation in the agri-food sector, which is essential in the transition to a zero-carbon economy by replacing fossil-based products;

Or. en

**Amendment 46**

**Isabel Carvalhais**

**Draft opinion  
Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. *Rejects any reduction in the***

*financial allocations of the POSEI programme and calls for the maintenance of, at least, the current level of support, as provided for in Regulation (EU) No 228/2013; stresses the vital importance of that programme for the maintenance of the agricultural activity and for the supply of food and agricultural products in the outermost regions, which must be provided with adequate resources; recalls the specific socio-economic problems of those regions as a result of their geographical situation, in particular their remoteness, insularity, small size, difficult topography and climate, as acknowledged in Article 349 TFEU;*

Or. en

**Amendment 47**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*5a. Stresses the necessity to dedicate a significant share of the funds from the Horizon Europe programme to the agri-food sector, especially in the broader context of the “Farm to Fork Strategy”; is convinced of the importance of research, development and innovation in that sector and of ensuring that the results of research and innovation reach farm level; supports increasing the programme’s appropriations to ensure safe, high quality food and innovative forms of agriculture in the Union and further recalls that proper advisory services for farmers and other rural operators play an important role in reaching those targets;*

Or. en

**Amendment 48**  
**Ruža Tomašić**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5a. Notes that achieving ambitious environmental and climate action objectives depends mainly on the allocation of sufficient financial resources;**

Or. hr

**Amendment 49**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5b. Regrets the proposed cuts to the CAP budget in the Council's MFF proposal especially in light of the new demands that will contribute to the Union's climate and biodiversity objectives in line with the targets set by the Paris Agreement, and also in the fields of food security, economic growth, territorial and social balance, health and economic crises such as that caused by the COVID-19 outbreak, as well as other factors affecting food security; recalls that the decreases in the CAP budget have continued constantly and the funds from the CAP budget have been transferred to other headings;**

Or. en

**Amendment 50**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 c (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5c. Suggests ensuring sufficient funding for the use of new breeding techniques as well as their development and research to improve the sustainability and competitiveness of agriculture and its adaptation to climate change;**

Or. en

**Amendment 51**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 d (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5d. Urges the Member States to tackle the demographic problem and lack of generational renewal faced by the agricultural sector and further insists to give sufficient support measures for young farmers and gender equality in rural areas;**

Or. en

**Amendment 52**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 e (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5e. Welcomes the establishment of a crisis reserve fund of EUR 450 million, in 2018 prices, per year and further insists that using the fund should not result in**

*corresponding cuts in direct payments for later years;*

Or. en

**Amendment 53**

**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 f (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5f.** *Considers that the trade agreement between the Union and Mercosur will cause additional stress for many agricultural sectors, especially meat production, and reminds the Commission of the need to maintain a level playing field in the agricultural markets; points out the need to cope with possible similar negative effects caused by other trade agreements and calls for necessary budgetary preparations to provide for market measures for the impacted sectors;*

Or. en

**Amendment 54**

**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**

**Paragraph 5 g (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5g.** *Points out that the sanctions regarding the Russian military intervention in Ukraine are still justified despite their negative impacts on the agricultural sectors; asks for proper allocation of the budget to mitigate those impacts;*

**Amendment 55**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 h (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5h. Demands that import standards on agricultural products from outside the Union need to be equal to Union standards and recalls that in the recent Farm to Fork strategy the Commission underlined that imported food must continue to comply with relevant Union regulation and standards; demands compensation from the budget for the Union's farmers if there is a gap in production standards;**

Or. en

**Amendment 56**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 i (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5i. Reiterates its concern about the market and budgetary consequences of a “no-deal” withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union; calls for market and policy measures to prepare for and help farmers overcome income losses and market disturbances; strongly opposes any unexpected cut in CAP allocations in 2021 in case there is no agreement between the Union and the United Kingdom;**

Or. en

**Amendment 57**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 j (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5j. Regrets that bioeconomy has been side-lined in the European Green Deal initiative and further insists that the Union's bioeconomy strategy is followed and the funding is sufficient for the actions to be taken;**

Or. en

**Amendment 58**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 k (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5k. Calls for adequate financing of forestry measures through the Union's budget as sustainable forest management taking into account all of the economic, social and environmental aspects of the forest-based value chain is the key to step up the fight against climate change; acknowledges the need for sustainably managed forests;**

Or. en

**Amendment 59**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 l (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5l. Underlines the importance of carbon farming to reach the European Green Deal targets; emphasises the importance of funding for new pilot projects regarding the carbon farming initiatives in 2021;**

Or. en

**Amendment 60**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 m (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5m. Emphasises that digitalisation is the key to modernising agriculture, making it more competitive and helping it in adaption to climate change; calls on the Commission to provide adequate budgetary allocations for constructing and improving rural broadband; further recalls that in the Farm to Fork strategy the Commission aimed to accelerate the roll-out of fast broadband internet in rural areas to achieve the objective of 100 % access by 2025;**

Or. en

**Amendment 61**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 n (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5n. Recalls the importance of information campaigns, improved labelling and education to help citizens in**

*transforming their consumption habits towards more sustainable agricultural products produced in the Union; suggests promoting schemes for animal welfare, healthy food and nutrition;*

Or. en

**Amendment 62**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 o (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*5o. Recalls that all new sustainability requirements should be paired with matching funding for producers; welcomes the aim to determine the best arrangements for setting minimum mandatory criteria for sustainable food procurement in Q3 2021 and calls for sustainability aspects to be better taken into consideration;*

Or. en

**Amendment 63**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 p (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*5p. Recalls that improving the food security, resilience and the sustainability of the food chain requires investments and welcomes that agriculture is among the recipients of the investment support through EAFRD in the Recovery Package; demands that the appropriation of the Recovery Package is also implemented for the year 2021;*

*further considers that agriculture should not be negatively impacted by sustainable finance requirements (e.g. taxonomy); expresses its gratitude for the Commission's aim to make a food sector contingency plan for times of crisis in Q4 2021;*

Or. en

**Amendment 64**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 q (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*5q. Notes that rural development funds in the Recovery Package play an important role in funding the CAP Pillar II; however deplors the fact that the support is temporary and lasts only until 2023;*

Or. en

**Amendment 65**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 r (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*5r. Calls for a better implementation and renewal of animal welfare policy to achieve concrete results in improving the welfare of animals; points out that many Member States do not comply with the current rules; suggests proper allocation of budget to monitor and enforce the obligations;*

Or. en

**Amendment 66**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 s (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5s. *Insists that the COVID-19 crisis measures supporting agricultural sectors need to continue in 2021; further demands for labour mobility to be taken into account to tackle possible long-term labour and other agricultural inputs shortage in Union farming;***

Or. en

**Amendment 67**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 t (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5t. *Is concerned about possible price spikes and shortages of important food products due to COVID-19 crisis; calls on the Commission and the Member States to monitor the price volatility of agricultural products, which has adverse effects on farmers' incomes as well as consumers, and to react punctually and effectively when needed;***

Or. en

**Amendment 68**  
**Petri Sarvamaa**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 u (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5u.** *Reaffirms the vital importance of the Union school fruit, vegetables and milk scheme to tackle the challenges of obesity and malnutrition created by unhealthy diets in the Union; asks the Commission to cut the red tape involved in the scheme and stresses the need to promote healthy eating habits in children and the consumption of fruit, vegetables and plain milk;*

Or. en

**Amendment 69**  
**Petri Sarvamaa, Elsi Katainen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 v (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**5v.** *Recalls that the Commission has pledged EUR 20 billion a year to tackle the possible new sustainability requirements imposed by the biodiversity strategy; insists that the funding must come from outside of CAP budget; points out that meeting those objectives must not reduce food security or the livelihood of rural areas in the Union; reiterates the importance of maintaining biodiversity and further reminds that responsibility for this lies not just with farmers and forest owners but with all of society; underscores the importance of voluntary protection measures.*

Or. en