Amendment 6 Niki Tzavela on behalf of the EFD Group

Motion for a resolution PPE, S&D, ALDE, Verts/ALE, ECR, EFD Small Business Act Review B7-0286/2011

Motion for a resolution Citation 4 a (new)

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- having regard to its report on an Industrial Policy for the Globalised Era (A7-0022/2011),

Or. en

Amendment 7 Niki Tzavela on behalf of the EFD Group

Motion for a resolution PPE, S&D, ALDE, Verts/ALE, ECR, EFD Small Business Act Review

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls in particular for improved access to financial support for the initial stages of innovation in the form of seed and angel funding, more equity and quasi-equity financing for start-ups and small innovative companies at the European, regional and local level; stresses the need, as regards *this aspect*, to set up a European Fund for Venture Capital; considers that the Union should expand the permanent risk-sharing products offered by the European Investment Bank (EIB) via the Risk Sharing Finance Facility (RSFF);

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15. Calls in particular for improving access to financial support for the initial stages of innovation in the form seed and angel funding, more equity and quasi-equity financing for start-ups and small innovative companies at the European, regional and local level; stresses the need as regards these aspects, to set up a European Fund for Venture Capital; considers that the Union should expand the permanent risk-sharing products offered by the European Investment Bank (EIB) via the Risk Sharing Finance Facility (RSFF); highlights the important role that the EIB could play, in particular by fostering programmes such as JASMINE and JEREMIE, which can provide sustainable support to meet SMEs' needs;

Or en

Amendment 8 Niki Tzavela on behalf of the EFD Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

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28a. Views with regret the fact that few of our innovative SMEs grow into larger companies involving greater numbers of people; points out that there are also fewer young, R&D-intensive, innovative firms in the EU than in the US and that serious shortcomings in terms of innovation and e-skills prevent SMEs from adopting innovative, smart business models and new technologies;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Niki Tzavela on behalf of the EFD Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

36a. Notes the growing illegal trade in all Member States in counterfeit and pirated products imported from labour-intensive countries in the Far East which are threatening the competitiveness of European industries; in that connection, encourages the Council to safeguard the EU's economic borders;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Niki Tzavela on behalf of the EFD Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Supports the Commission's 'Second Chance' Initiative for SMEs, which will be included in the framework of the European Week for SMEs;

Or. en