



Plenary sitting

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on measures to encourage universities and secondary schools to take part in archaeological excavations

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on measures to encourage universities and secondary schools to take part in archaeological excavations

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas archaeology is a discipline of fundamental importance if we are to understand the past and share this knowledge with younger generations;
- B. whereas the survey ‘Europeans and archaeology’, on public perceptions of archaeological heritage, has highlighted certain gaps in the understanding of archaeologists’ work and their day-to-day activities;
- C. having regard to the investment potential of the Digital Europe Programme 2021-2027 and the close correlation between culture and new technologies, such as autonomous robotics;
 1. Calls on the Commission to step up educational measures designed to enhance the EU’s archaeological heritage and skills by using state-of-the-art equipment in the archaeological field;
 2. Urges the Commission to provide funding for autonomous robotics in order to overcome the limitations arising from the hazardous nature of certain sites, such as mines and tunnels;
 3. Calls on the Commission to introduce measures and financial tools to encourage students from universities and secondary schools to get involved in archaeological excavations.