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AMENDMENTS

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Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers following an application from Germany –
EGF/2023/003 DE/Vallourec - Germany
((2024/0049(BUD))

Amendment 1
Ana Collado Jiménez

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas VAD, the German subsidiary of Vallourec S.A, France, manufactured seamless hot-rolled steel tubes at its two steel mills in Germany; whereas following years of financial losses, a number of restructuring and downsizing measures and a dedicated recovery plan were launched in 2018, involving concessions by the workers on employment conditions *and* more than 1400 jobs lost *since 2015* due to *this* restructuring; whereas Vallourec S.A. decided in 2021 to sell its German tube mills and to offshore production to Brazil; whereas the sale failed, leading to the definitive closure of the sites and resulting in the displacement of the remaining workforce by 1 January 2025;

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F. whereas VAD, the German subsidiary of Vallourec S.A, France, manufactured seamless hot-rolled steel tubes at its two steel mills in Germany; whereas following years of financial losses, a number of restructuring and downsizing measures and a dedicated recovery plan were launched in 2018, involving concessions by the workers on employment conditions; ***whereas despite some success, the economic situation following the Covid-19 pandemic resulted in further difficulties for the German tube mills and since 2015, more than 1400 jobs were already*** lost due to restructuring; whereas Vallourec S.A. decided in 2021 to sell its German tube mills and to offshore production to Brazil; whereas the sale failed, leading to the definitive closure of the sites and resulting in the displacement of the remaining workforce by 1 January 2025;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Eric Minardi, Joachim Kuhs

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

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outside their initial sector of activity, while preparing them for a *climate neutral and* more digital European economy;

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Or. en

Amendment 3

Ana Collado Jiménez

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the MFF revision reduces the maximum annual amount of the EGF from EUR 186 million to EUR 30 million (in 2018 prices), as laid down in Article 8 of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 as amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/765; whereas *all institutions need* to ensure that, *despite these cuts, workers made redundant can count on EU solidarity via support of the EGF*;

Amendment

I. whereas the MFF revision reduces the maximum annual amount of the EGF from EUR 186 million to EUR 30 million (in 2018 prices), as laid down in Article 8 of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 as amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/765; whereas *the Commission should monitor EGF implementation and to take any necessary measures* to ensure that *all justified requests for EGF support can be met*;

Or. en

Amendment 4

Eric Minardi, Joachim Kuhs

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. *Considers it as a social responsibility of the Union to provide these workers made redundant with the necessary qualifications for the ecological and just transformation of the Union industry in line with the European Green Deal, since they worked in a sector with high carbon intensity*; welcomes, *therefore*, the personalised services provided by the EGF to the workers, which

Amendment

6. Welcomes the personalised services provided by the EGF to the workers, which include upskilling measures, workshops, vocational orientation, job counselling, as well as training allowances, to make the region, and the overall labour market, more sustainable and resilient in the future;

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Or. en

Amendment 5
Ana Collado Jiménez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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6. Considers it as a social responsibility of the Union to provide these workers made redundant with the necessary qualifications for the ecological and just transformation of the Union industry in line with the European Green Deal, since they worked in a sector with high carbon intensity; ***stresses the importance of research and innovation to make Europe future-fit for industrial manufacturing in order to prevent the EU from taking the path of decarbonisation through deindustrialisation***; welcomes, therefore, the personalised services provided by the EGF to the workers, which include upskilling measures, workshops, vocational orientation, job counselling, as well as training allowances, to make the region, and the overall labour market, more sustainable and resilient in the future;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Ana Collado Jiménez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Welcomes the fact that the co-ordinated package of personalised services was drawn up by Germany in consultation with targeted beneficiaries, their representatives and social partners; acknowledges that VAD made considerable efforts to minimise the social impact of the site closures;

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7. Welcomes the fact that the co-ordinated package of personalised services was drawn up by Germany in consultation with targeted beneficiaries, their representatives and social partners; ***welcomes in particular the fact that directly after the decision to close down the tube mills, the management of the enterprise and employee representatives started negotiations of a social plan, and in particular the creation of a transfer company***; acknowledges that VAD made considerable efforts to minimise the social impact of the site closures;

Or. en

Amendment 7

Monika Vana, Rasmus Andresen
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates that assistance from the EGF must not replace actions which are the responsibility of companies, by virtue of national law or collective agreements;

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12. Reiterates that assistance from the EGF must not replace actions which are the responsibility of companies, by virtue of national law or collective agreements, ***or any allowances or rights of the displaced workers, to ensure full additionality of the allocation***;

Or. en