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Amendment 1
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Citation 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity from 1992 and the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants,

Or. en

Amendment 2
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Commission Staff Working Paper entitled "The EU – a global partner for development speeding up progress towards the Millennium Development Goals" (SEC (2008)434),

Or. en

Amendment 3
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Citation 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the EU Accountability Report 2012 on Review of progress of the EU and its Member States Financing for

Amendment 4
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Citation 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to Declaration A (2010) 21584 of 28 September 2010 of the 21st session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly,

Amendment 5
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Article 208 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union establishes the reduction and, in the long term, the eradication of poverty, as defined in the European Consensus on Development, as the primary objective of EU development policy;

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Amendment 6
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A a. recalling the European Union's commitment to ensure policy coherence for development, in accordance with the conclusions of the European Council in 2005, recently reaffirmed in its conclusions on PCD;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A b. whereas there are clear inconsistencies in the EU's trade, agriculture, fisheries, climate, intellectual property rights, migration, finance, arms and raw materials policies which affect development goals; and whereas PCD can contribute to poverty reduction by finding fundamental synergies among EU Policies;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital A c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A c. whereas the new development policy framework presented in the Agenda for Change aims for policy coherence not only within the Union but also with regards to the Union and its Member States by advocating joint-programming and emphasising the role of the EU as coordinator, convener and policy maker;

Or. en

**Amendment 9
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A d (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A d. whereas the financial contributions paid by the EU within the framework of the Fisheries Partnership Agreements (FPAs) have not helped to consolidate partner countries' fisheries policies and the slow payment and underuse of the assistance provided;

Or. en

**Amendment 10
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A e (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A e. whereas a post-2015 international framework for development cooperation has the potential to play a catalytic role in addressing important development and

other global challenges and could help to fulfil individuals' rights and needs;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A f. whereas, despite the improvements, direct or indirect EU subsidies for European agricultural products continue to have a negative effect on food security and the development of a viable agricultural sector in developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital A g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A g. whereas the EU is committed to reaching the UN target of 0.7% of gross national income (GNI) in official development assistance (ODA) by 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A h. whereas the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) issued a judgement in November 2008 whereby the European Investment Bank (EIB) operations in developing countries must prioritise development over any economic or political objective;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A i. whereas a large number of studies have shown that there are between US \$850 billion and US \$1 trillion per year of illicit financial flows out of developing countries, which severely hinders the fiscal revenue of developing countries and consequently their self-development capacities;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Recital A j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A j. whereas the Agenda for Change (COM (2011) 637) in its aim to increase

the impact of EU development assistance reiterates that the objectives of development, democracy, human rights, good governance and security are intertwined;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A k. whereas public procurement accounts for 19% of world GDP, or almost 40 times the amount provided by the EU and the Member States in ODA; whereas, as such, it has huge potential to be a tool of implementing sustainable government policies both in the EU and in its ODA recipient countries;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A l. whereas malnutrition kills an estimated 2.6 million children each year and, if unchecked, will put almost half a billion children at risk of permanent damage in the next 15 years; whereas about one-third of the pre-school age children in the world currently suffer from underweight (too little weight for their age) or stunting (too short for their

age); whereas malnutrition costs countries between 2-4 % of their GDP, and an individual up to 11% of its lifetime earnings, while, at the same time, tested, cost-effective interventions in nutrition exist and would represent a sound investment;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A m. whereas, by 2030, the demand for energy and water is expected to rise by 40% and by 50% for food and whereas population growth, together with a rising middle class in emerging and developing nations, will put huge pressure on natural resources - especially water, energy and land - and on the environment;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A n (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A n. whereas the concepts of human development and human security share four fundamental perspectives: they are people-centred, they are multi-dimensional, they have broad views on human fulfilment in the long-term and they address chronic poverty¹;

*¹ Sen, Amartya: Why Human Security?
Text presented at the "International
Symposium on Human Security" in
Tokyo, 28 July, 2000.*

Or. en

Amendment 20
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A o (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A o. whereas the external dimension of the two new DG Home Affairs funds and the Migration and Asylum component of the new Global Public Goods and Challenges Thematic Programme of the DCI cover, as anticipated in the declared priorities, similar thematic areas although from different perspectives;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A p (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A p. whereas health aid appears to exemplify many of the challenges for aid effectiveness, including: the complexity of the aid architecture, common lack of alignment with country priorities, dominance of donor preferences and the presence of actors that tend to work outside the aid effectiveness framework;

Amendment 22
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A q (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A q. whereas clinical trials that are no longer accepted by Western European ethics committees are approved by the local ethics committees in countries such as India, China, Argentina and Russia; whereas, in particular, the ethical principles which are of utmost importance for developing countries, as reflected in the Declaration of Helsinki, are ignored by companies and regulatory authorities²;

² Clinical trials in developing countries: how to protect people against unethical practices? European Parliament, Directorate-General for External Policies of the Union, Study.

Amendment 23
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A r (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A r. whereas culture is, in all its dimensions, a fundamental component of sustainable development because it is, through tangible and intangible heritage, creative industries and various forms of artistic expressions, a powerful

*contributor to economic development,
social stability and environmental
protection;*

Or. en

Amendment 24
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A t (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A t. whereas studies show that if women are educated and can earn and control income, a number of good results follow: maternal and infant mortality declines, women and child health and nutrition improve, agricultural productivity rises, climate change can be mitigated, population growth slows, economies expand and cycles of poverty are broken³.

³ *Isobel Coleman: The Global Glass Ceiling Why Empowering Women Is Good for Business, in: Foreign Affairs, Vol 89, May/June 2010, p 13-20; UNFPA: State of World Population 2009, Facing a changing world: women, population and climate*

Or. en

Amendment 25
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A u (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A u. whereas information and

communication technologies (ICT) have the potential to help mitigating climate change not only by reducing their own share of greenhouse gas emissions but also by using them to reduce emissions in other sectors and to address systemic change and rebound effects, e.g. by dematerialisation and online delivery, transport and travel substitution, monitoring and management applications, greater energy efficiency in production and use and product stewardship and recycling;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A v (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A v. whereas the 2007 DAC Peer Review of European Communities noted that 'good understanding of the appropriateness of budget support in the local context is important';

Or. en

Amendment 27
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Recital A v (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A v. whereas education can play a pivotal role not only in environmental sustainability, health and economic growth and the achievement of the MDGs

in general but also in peace-building; whereas, perhaps more than any other sector, education can provide the highly visible early peace dividends on which the survival of peace agreements may depend if education systems are inclusive and geared towards fostering attitudes conducive to mutual understanding, tolerance and respect, thereby making societies less susceptible to violent conflict;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the EU's efforts towards PCD; underlines that PCD is not only a legal obligation, but that designing accountable, transparent, human-rights-based, and inclusive policies is a chance for the EU to establish equal and sustainable partnerships with developing countries that go beyond development cooperation;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the EU's efforts towards PCD; underlines that PCD is not only a legal obligation, but that designing accountable, transparent, human-rights-based, and inclusive policies is a chance for the EU to establish equal and sustainable partnerships with developing countries that go beyond development cooperation; *also stresses that PCD-aligned policies give governments and societies of developing countries the chance and the responsibility to generate successes on their own;*

Or. en

Amendment 29
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1 a. Considers that all EU policy areas having an external impact must be designed to support developing countries' sustainable needs in order to fight poverty, guarantee decent income and livelihood as well as the fulfilment of basic human rights, including social, economic and environmental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 30

Keith Taylor, Eva Joly

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1 b. Believes that Policy Coherence for Development must be based on the recognition of the right of a country or a region to democratically define its own policies, priorities and strategies to protect their populations' livelihoods in line with the UN International covenant on Economic, social and Cultural rights;

Or. en

Amendment 31

Keith Taylor, Eva Joly

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1 c. Invites the European Ombudsman

and the Commission to work together in order to ensure the availability of an effective complaints mechanism against incoherencies in the EU's development policy using the UNDP Human Development criteria as a standard against which concrete measures and actions can be evaluated;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Emer Costello

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Stresses that PCD is not merely a technical issue, but primarily a political responsibility and that the European Parliament, as co-legislator and as a democratically elected institution, has a key responsibility for translating the commitments into concrete policies;

Amendment

2. Stresses that PCD is not merely a technical issue, but primarily a political responsibility and that the European Parliament, as co-legislator and as a democratically elected institution, has a key responsibility for translating the commitments into concrete policies *and insists that the upcoming initiative on corporate social responsibility reflects the obligations towards PCD and moves towards binding CSR standards;*

Or. en

Amendment 33
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Recalls that any new political orientation in the context of the 11th EDF emanating from the Agenda for Change

must be compatible with the spirit and the letter of the Cotonou Agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Stresses that transparency in all areas is instrumental in achieving PCD as it can not only prevent unintended incoherence but is also effective where there are clashes of interest;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Gay Mitchell, Charles Goerens, Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Calls on the Member States and their national parliaments to promote PCD through a specific working programme with binding timetables, in order to improve the European PCD work programme; calls for the introduction of structured annual meetings between representatives of national parliaments of EU Member States and the European Parliament to ensure consistency in the spending of development aid;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 b. Points to the importance of knowledge building and expertise with regard to the complex issue of PCD; therefore asks the Commission to ensure that provisions are made to focus some DG Research programmes on issues relevant to PCD; also recommends the elaboration and promotion of a strategy on development research in order to engage with DG Research and other research DGs, as well as other relevant bodies external to the Commission, e.g. the OECD or the World Bank;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 c. Insists that the questions regarding the economic, environmental and social impacts of policies inside and outside of the EU laid down in the Impact Assessments Guidelines from 2009 are answered in the Commission's Impact Assessments as well as in the Impact Assessments to be made by the European Parliament; also asks the Commission to complete the Impact Assessments in advance of the corresponding policy proposal in order to ensure that CSOs and other relevant stakeholders can participate in the process thereby also

creating an added value in terms of capacity;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 d. Underlines that the Impact Assessment Board of the Commission and a similar institution to be set up by the Parliament need adequate expertise in development policies in order to live up to their responsibility to verify the quality of Impacts Assessments in terms of PCD;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 e. Suggests that a reference to PCD be included in reviews and ex-post evaluations of EU policies if adequate; takes the view that any evaluation exercise of programmes carried out under the EDF or DCI should include an assessment of its consequences for PCD;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 f. Welcomes the inclusion of specific PCD commitments in the Danish Presidency's work programme and asks the next Presidencies to follow up on that example;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 g. Welcomes the Commission's third biennial report on PCD 2011, but agrees with the Council on the need to include an independent assessment of progress, including qualitative and quantitative consequences and costs of policy incoherence in future reports; suggests that future reports should also include a comprehensive overview of PCD-related results of the country-level dialogues, in order to make the voices of citizens of developing countries heard;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 h. Calls on the Member States and their national parliaments to promote PCD through a specific working programme with binding timetables, in order to improve the European PCD work programme;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Agrees with the Commission that in the preparation of the next rolling PCD Work Programme, a wider discussion with the European External Action Service (EEAS) and Member States and all relevant stakeholders is needed; agrees that fewer indicators, together with more precise and better monitoring, can lead to a more operational framework and easier monitoring;

Amendment

4. Agrees with the Commission that in the preparation of the next rolling PCD Work Programme, a wider discussion with the European External Action Service (EEAS) and Member States and all relevant stakeholders, **for example NGOs and CSOs**, is needed; agrees that fewer indicators, together with more precise and better monitoring, can lead to a more operational framework and easier monitoring;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Asks the High Representative to **acknowledge her role** in making PCD a

Amendment

5. Asks the High Representative **and the European External Action Service**

reality *through the EEAS*;

(EEAS) to *confirm their important roles* in making PCD a reality;

Or. en

Amendment 45

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Suggests **making** PCD a clear priority for the EEAS and the Delegations by **institutionalising a** policy dialogue with **civil society organisations**, local parliaments and other stakeholders, by **creating PCD-aligned guidelines for the Delegations in order to raise awareness among European investors, by making them responsible for gathering PCD-related evidence and cases of incoherency or coherency**, by improving the PCD **section** in **the country strategy papers** and making **it** operational, and by developing a training programme, **possibly** together with DG DEVCO, for all new EEAS staff to ensure **they are able** to understand and apply PCD; points out that adequate resources to fulfil this task must be allocated to the Delegations, **if necessary through reprioritisation**;

Amendment

6. Suggests **to set** PCD **as** a clear priority for the EEAS and the Delegations by **further strengthening the EU's** policy dialogue with **CSOs**, local parliaments and other stakeholders, by **asking** them **to gather** evidence **on inconsistencies** or coherency, by improving the PCD **references** in **programming documents** and making **them** operational, and by developing a training programme, together with DG DEVCO, for all new EEAS staff to ensure **their ability** to understand and apply PCD; points out that adequate resources to fulfil this task must be allocated to the Delegations **and the headquarters**;

Or. en

Amendment 46

Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Recalls the paramount importance of Article 12 of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement and the obligation for the Commission to regularly inform the Secretariat of the ACP Group of planned proposals which might affect the interests of the ACP States; further calls on the Commission to inform the European Parliament when such procedures are undertaken;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Gay Mitchell, Charles Goerens, Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to deepen the cooperation with the European Parliament and national parliaments on Policy Coherence for Development by engaging in more exchanges with them on the subject and by accompanying them in acquiring specific analytical capacity to contribute to promoting PCD in the EU; proposes that these exchanges between national parliaments, the European Parliament and the Commission should come in the form of structured annual meetings which include clear objectives along with task monitoring activities with the goal of strengthening PCD in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Linda McAvan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Considers that public procurement should be effectively used to achieve the overall EU objectives of sustainable development and therefore that the future public procurement Directives should enable sustainability criteria to be integrated throughout the procurement process;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8 a. Welcomes that the Commission's Communication on "Trade, Growth and Development: Tailoring Trade and Investment Policy for Those Countries Most in Need" commits to support small producers and fair, organic and ethical trade initiatives but regrets the lack of commitment to mainstream Fair Trade principles across EU policies;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Regrets that GDP per capita is made the sole eligibility criterion for the GSP scheme, as this could run counter to the EU's development objectives;

Amendment

9. Regrets that GDP per capita is made the sole eligibility criterion for the GSP scheme, as this could run counter to the EU's development objectives; ***recalls its resolution of 8 June 2011 on "GDP and beyond - Measuring progress in a changing world"¹, which makes reference to Human Development Index;***

¹ P7_TA(2011)0264

Or. en

Amendment 51
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Recalls the inconsistencies produced in the context of European Partnership Agreements, namely: (a) that some countries are urged to sign an agreement before its exact terms are agreed, (b) that developing countries are denied the policy space to protect infant industries by means of import/export restrictions, (c) that the Commission proposes to delete 18 countries from Annex I to the Market Access Regulation, and (d) that human rights issues are not sufficiently addressed during negotiations;

Amendment

10. Recalls the inconsistencies produced in the context of European Partnership Agreements, namely: (a) that some countries are urged to sign an agreement before its exact terms are agreed, (b) that ***the introduction by the Commission of the so called "Singapore issues" (foreign investment, competition policy, government procurement and trade facilitation) as an area of discussions went far beyond the obligations vis-à-vis the WTO and has seriously hindered the negotiations process,*** (c) that developing countries are denied the policy space to protect infant industries by means of import/export restrictions, (d) that the Commission proposes to delete 18 countries from Annex I to the Market Access Regulation, and (e) that human rights issues are not sufficiently addressed during negotiations;

Amendment 52
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Recalls the inconsistencies produced in the context of European Partnership Agreements, namely: (a) that some countries are urged to sign an agreement before its exact terms are agreed, (b) that ***developing countries are denied the policy space to protect infant industries by means of import/export restrictions, (c) that the*** Commission proposes to delete 18 countries from Annex I to the Market Access Regulation, and (d) that human rights issues are not sufficiently addressed during negotiations;

Amendment

10. Recalls the inconsistencies produced in the context of European Partnership Agreements, namely: (a) that some countries are urged to sign an agreement before its exact terms are ***mutually*** agreed, (b) that the Commission proposes to delete 18 countries from Annex I to the Market Access Regulation, and (c) that human rights issues are not sufficiently addressed during negotiations;

Amendment 53
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

10 a. Recalls the importance of ensuring that investment treaties include clauses on transparency and the fight against illicit capital flows and provisions that emphasize the host government's right to regulate on sensitive policy areas such as the environment and decent work;

Amendment

Amendment 54
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Takes the view that the OECD guidelines for multi-national enterprises should become binding standards in EU investment treaties for business and industry and that such treaties should ensure full reporting on environmental and social issues by the companies; also points out that such treaties should improve the rights and duties of governments to regulate economic activities and actors in the broader public interest and longer-term interest of future generations;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 b. Deplores that the share of EU Aid for Trade (Aft) to LDCs declined to 16% in 2010 (EUR 1.7 billion against EUR 8.7 billion to non-LDCs), compared to 22% in 2009¹; calls on the Commission to inform the European Parliament about the annual and/or multi annual share of the EDF funds spend as Aft;

¹ UE accountability report 2012 on
Financing for Development of 9 July

Amendment 56
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 b. Proposes that the Commission create new momentum for Sustainable Public Procurement at the international level and that the resulting framework of the revision of the public procurement Directives should give contracting authorities the policy space to make informed pro-development procurement choices;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 c. Calls on the Commission to actively promote within the WTO the suggestion of some donors to narrow the scope of the Aid for Trade Initiative in order to make it more monitorable, efficient and focused on key elements of the trade and development nexus, in order to make it more effective and thus address suspicion and secure donors' financing;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 c. Draws attention to the publication of a revised IPR Strategy vis-à-vis third countries which should, from a development point of view, ensure adequate access to medicines and provide effective incentives for pharmaceutical research by making use of TRIPs flexibilities in appropriate cases, such as health emergencies, and by making it compatible with the parallel agenda for "affordable access to medicine"; also stresses that the link to the food security agenda is very important in this context, e.g. to ensure the protection of plant varieties and acknowledge the importance of diverse agricultural systems and traditional seed supply systems;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 d. Acknowledges that the monitoring and evaluation framework of the Aid for Trade Initiative, both at European and global level, has reached its limits and cannot be meaningfully expanded; therefore calls on the Commission and Member States to support of creating an independent body able to undertake AfT

impact evaluation, that may be hosted at the World Bank, which is developing expertise in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 d. Proposes the implementation of preferential trade rules that enhance green agricultural technology transfers in the WTO and in bilateral trade agreements with developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 e. Welcomes the creation of a focal point on fair trade within the sustainable development team in Directorate-General for Trade in 2010 to coordinate fair trade-related activities which are an important example of how EU trade and development policy can be made more coherent and mutually supportive;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 e. Points out that fair trade between the EU and developing countries entails paying a fair price for the resources and agricultural products of the developing countries, i.e. a price which reflects the internal and external costs, while guaranteeing ILO's core labour standards for working conditions as well as international standards on environmental protection;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 f. Reiterates its call to effectively address the problem of conflict minerals and other resources related to conflict in developing countries that have resulted in the death and displacement of millions of people;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 f. Is of the view that current bilateral Free Trade negotiations and agreements with developing countries contain commitments which circumscribe the right of these countries to choose their own development strategies, including regulatory reforms to develop their agriculture and industry without being exposed to unfair competition; believes that developing countries should protect their economy and proceed to selective market openings, as was the case in Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 g. Asks the Commission to further integrate internationally agreed labour and environmental standards into instruments like the EPAs and FTAs;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Emer Costello

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 g. Believes that the OECD guidelines for multi-national enterprises should become binding standards in EU investment treaties for business and industry; investment treaties should ensure full reporting on environmental and social issues by companies; investment agreements should improve the rights and duties of governments to regulate economic activities and actors in the broader public interest and longer-term interest of future generations;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 h. Deplores the fact that the mode and the procedure of negotiation for the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) particularly penalized developing countries as they did not have the opportunity to give equal input to the agreement text they are supposed to adhere to;

Or. en

Amendment 68

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Welcomes the fact that the relevance of smallholder farming for combating hunger is recognised by the EU;

Amendment

11. Welcomes the fact that the relevance of smallholder farming for combating hunger is recognised by the EU ***and that adaptation measures are priorities in the food security agenda; underlines that support for women smallholder farmers is especially relevant;***

Or. en

Amendment 69
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates that development concerns should be built into the entire process of decision making on the EU's agricultural policy;

Amendment

12. Reiterates that development concerns should be built into the entire process of decision making on the EU's agricultural policy ***and calls for the establishment of flanking measures similar to the sugar-protocol accompanying measures (SPAM), if necessary;***

Or. en

Amendment 70
Patrice Tirolien, Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

12 a. Repeats its call for regular and independent assessments and evaluations of the EU's agricultural and trade policies, paying special attention to impacts on local and smallholder

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producers and building on evidence submitted by governments, farmers' organisations, civil society organisations and other stakeholders in developing countries which are EU trading partners;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Solicits attention to emphasise the overall framework of good governance and respect for human rights and its catalytic role for development in partner countries in all policy dialogues, irrespective of the five core issues identified for PCD assessment purposes;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 b. Proposes to complement the concept of 'aid effectiveness' with the concept of 'development effectiveness' as the latter is more suitable to measure PCD and more convenient for deepening the dialogue with BRICS countries in the field of development policy;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 c. Draws attention to the cross-cutting nature of good governance programmes in developing countries and encourages further efforts in this regard by the Commission; also draws attention to the need for better global governance in the current period of multiple crises which is instrumental in order to achieve global development; regrets the limited progress made at the UN's Rio+20 conference in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 d. Supports the Commission's proposal to create a comprehensive overview of the costs of policies that are not aligned with PCD and of the benefits, or win-win situations created by PCD-aligned policies that can be used for further awareness-raising and training and as a basis for discussion with the European citizens and other affected stakeholders in order to overcome misconceptions which are still prevalent as regards the costs and benefits of PCD; such an analysis would be especially helpful in the fields of migration, where the EU should stress the

linkages between migration and development policies and provide constant information to its people on the benefits of these linkages, and sustainable energy;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 e. Calls on the Commission and the Council to develop a long-term, cross-sectoral European strategy for development education, awareness-raising and active global citizenship;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 f. Calls on the Member States to develop or strengthen national development education strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Urges the EU to strengthen EU-ACP supply chains and to support the strengthening of supply chains within the ACP countries themselves as both markets have developed in mutual dependence; suggests fostering the use of modern market management instruments in developing countries, such as transparency, capacity building, technical regulations, or support with regard to contract negotiation, e.g. in the context of the Joint EU-Africa Strategy;

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13. Urges the EU to strengthen EU-ACP supply chains and to support the strengthening of supply chains within the ACP countries themselves as both markets have developed in mutual dependence; suggests fostering the use of modern market management instruments in developing countries, such as transparency **provisions**, capacity building, technical regulations, or support with regard to contract negotiation, e.g. in the context of the Joint EU-Africa Strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 78

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Repeats its call for regular and independent assessments and evaluations of the EU's agricultural and trade policies, paying special attention to impacts on local and smallholder producers and building on evidence submitted by governments, farmers' organisations, civil society organisations and other stakeholders in developing countries which are EU trading partners;

Or. en

Amendment 79

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 b. Proposes to set up transnational twinning partnership between Natura 2000 areas and similar agricultural ecological management areas in developing countries with the aim of a) exchanging know-how on management of such areas by local authorities, local leaders and local farming communities to ensure that future management is sustainable, both ecologically and economically, and practicable, b) building capacity through twinning of the economic viability of business chains in these areas to contribute to sustainable food security in these areas, c) implementing research to assist in the protection of agricultural diversity and biodiversity to assure the long-term survival of valuable and threatened species and habitat; also proposes the establishment of a transnational twinning centre for learning and development of know-how between Natura 2000 areas and similar areas in third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 c. Points out that delayed or opaque information on changes in standards applied to agricultural products by the EU create new barriers for developing countries; stresses that timely information on such changes or the application of alternative equivalent standards to imports is essential for developing

countries in order to facilitate long-term planning and competitiveness on the basis of quality;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 d. Points out that the ongoing initiative on Markets for Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID) can make a valuable contribution to the fulfilment of the overarching objectives of the Union's development cooperation by including strict position limits, a strict limitation on exemptions from MiFID, and by strengthening the powers for regulators to intervene in specific products or activities;

Or. en

Amendment 82
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 e. Calls on the Commission to develop an integrated approach to nutrition and to set up a dedicated trust fund to address the problem of malnutrition in developing countries and to mobilize the necessary resources to deliver the basic interventions that could prevent the vast majority of malnutrition, especially in the critical 1,000-day window between

conception and age 2, which include encouraging optimum feeding and caring practices such as breastfeeding to avoid contaminated water, proper introduction of varied foods for infants, fortification of basic staples and vitamin supplementation; believes that such a trust fund would enable the leveraging and pooling of resources from Commission and Member States, and possibly other donors, and would enable better visibility of EU action in saving lives;

Or. en

Amendment 83
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 f. Deplores the fact that only approximately 418 million or around 3.4% of the total Commission development aid budget of EUR 12 billion per year is currently allocated to direct nutrition intervention; believes that efforts to tackle malnutrition must be multi-disciplinary and engage multiple stakeholders in line with national priorities of affected countries;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Considers that the size of the EU market for fish and the geographical range of activities by EU-flagged and EU-owned vessels impose a high level of responsibility on the Union for ensuring that *its fisheries* are based upon the same standards in terms of ecological and social sustainability and transparency inside and outside Union waters;

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14. Considers that the size of the EU market for fish and the geographical range of activities by EU-flagged and EU-owned vessels impose a high level of responsibility on the Union for ensuring that *these activities* are based upon the same standards in terms of ecological and social sustainability and transparency inside and outside Union waters; *notes that such coherence requires coordination both within the Commission itself and between the Commission and the governments of the individual Member States;*

Or. en

Amendment 85

Patrice Tirolien, Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 a. Stresses the need for FPA payments to third countries to be compatible with development objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 86

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 a. Reiterates that, in order to improve PCD, the negotiations of fisheries

agreements (FPA) must be based on the contracting country's priorities for the suitable development of its fishing sector and its country as a whole and that the impacts of FPAs should be closely monitored by the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 b. Recalls that EU-access to fish stocks in third countries should not in any way be a condition for development assistance to countries that are eligible to EU development aid;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 b. Takes the view that policy coherence for development should be reinforced (a) by making DG-MARE and DG-Development jointly responsible for FPAs, (b) by applying relevant principles outlined in the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fishing, EU commitments towards Policy Coherence for Development, and the EU-ACP Cotonou Agreement, (c) by incorporating human rights, anti-corruption and accountability

obligations in all FPAs and (d) by ensuring that FPAs are consistent with or contribute to the poverty reduction and human development objectives identified in the EU's Country and Regional Strategy Papers;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 c. Stresses that any access to fisheries resources in third countries' waters must respect not only Article 62 of UNCLOS regarding surplus stocks but also Articles 69 and 70 on the rights of land-locked and geographically disadvantaged States within the region, taking into account the nutritional and socioeconomic needs of local populations;

Or. en

Amendment 90
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 c. Proposes that, in line with the 2006 UN General Assembly resolution on Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs), the Commission should be given an unequivocal negotiating mandate for all RFMOs for

promoting marine conservation and sustainable fisheries;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 d. Considers that any system of attributing fishing opportunities to countries within Regional Fisheries Managements Organisations (RFMOs) must include the legitimate rights and aspirations of developing States to develop their own fisheries; insists that the EU oppose the introduction of Transferable Fishing Concessions schemes in RFMOs, since they would jeopardise the livelihood and well being of dependent communities of developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Stresses that an investment in education for sustainable development, including combating climate change, is an area where development aid can achieve multiple objectives at once, especially when women are targeted;

Amendment 93
Keith Taylor, Eva Joly
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Believes that the challenges posed by climate change must be addressed through structural reforms and calls for a systematic climate change risk assessment into all aspects of EU's policy planning and decision making including trade, agriculture, food security, etc., and demands that the result of this assessment be used to formulate clear and coherent country and regional strategy papers, as well as development programmes and projects;

Amendment 94
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 b. Calls for specific attention to be devoted to the special needs of smallholder agriculture and livestock farmers facing the consequences of climate change in any policy and agreements entailing possible reduction of, or constraints in the access to, resources for food production, such as land, water, mobility, among others;

Amendment 95
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 c. Repeats its call on the Commission and the Member States to collect country-specific and gender-disaggregated data when planning, implementing and evaluating climate change policies, programmes and projects, in order effectively to assess and address the differing effects of climate change on each gender and to produce a guide on adapting to climate change, outlining policies that can protect women and empower them to cope with the effects of climate change;

Amendment 96
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 d. Regrets that the Outcome Document of the UN Rio+20 conference lacks the commitment on resource conservation, climate change adaptation and mitigation, and economic sustainability that the EU had called for; nevertheless, urges the EU to remain closely involved in defining the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and making them operational by 2015;

Amendment 97
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the **2011/2012** European Report on Development **entitled ‘Confronting Scarcity: Managing Water, Energy and Land for Inclusive and Sustainable Growth’**, which is especially important in the context of **biofuel production**; asks the Commission to **follow up** on the proposals made in the report;

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16. Welcomes the **proposals made in the** European Report on Development **2011/2012 on an integrated and ecosystems-based management of water, energy and land, with those three resources being crucial for development**; asks the Commission to **follow-up** on the proposals made in the report; **especially points to the existence of significant EU and global governance gaps; and stresses the necessity of a change toward more sustainability in consumption and production patterns within the Union itself**;

Amendment 98
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16 a. Suggests that the EU should work closely with the private sector and particularly European companies and investors that operate in developing countries to promote investment, innovative approaches and high standards of corporate practice in the inclusive and sustainable use of water, energy and land; also suggests that the emphasis on

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sustainable energy and agriculture in the 'Agenda for Change' should be complemented with interventions in the area of water;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Calls on the Commission to **publish its** report on the social sustainability of biofuels by the end of 2012 and to consult with affected communities and local NGOs **during its preparation**; points out that **the report should adopt** an adequate methodology and cover the full **impact** that European biofuels targets are having on food security, land rights and other development issues;

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17. Calls on the **European** Commission to report on the social sustainability of biofuels by the end of 2012 and to consult with affected communities and local NGOs **beforehand**; points out that **this is** an **opportunity to propose an** adequate methodology and cover the full **impacts** that European biofuels targets are having on food security, land rights and other development issues; **recalls that the monitoring and reporting by the Commission foreseen in the proposed directive provides an opportunity, if appropriate, to propose corrective actions, based on lessons learned**;

Or. en

Amendment 100
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

17 a. Underlines the importance of guaranteeing that imported bioenergy is produced on the basis of acceptable

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working environments and employment standards and respecting local communities;

Or. en

Amendment 101
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 b. Encourages the further development of second and third generation bioenergy from biomass by-products, wastes and residues;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Patrice Tirolien, Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Asks the Commission to reconsider the 10% target in the Renewable Energies Directive for biofuels from renewable sources by 2020;

18. Asks the Commission to reconsider the 10% target in the Renewable Energies Directive for biofuels from renewable sources by 2020, *unless strict sustainability criteria are applied;*

Or. en

Amendment 103
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Proposes that the issue of PCD be included in any programme on education in sustainable development;

Or. en

Amendment 104

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 b. Reiterates that, in the interest of transparency and accountability, the EEAS and DEVCO should monitor how the division of responsibilities agreed between the Commission and the EEAS works in practice and improve it in ways that avoid overlaps and ensure synergies;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 c. Refers to the fact that the EEAS has put forward the concept of "EU Actorness" in order to increase the visibility of EU actions; takes the view that this makes PCD even more important, as every negative impact will be associated even more closely with the EU; also urges the Commission to make sure that this concept does not contradict

other objectives of development policy as formulated by the EU, especially the objectives of ownership and policy space for developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 106
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 d. Suggests that, in line with the Cotonou Agreement and the reference document on 'Engaging Non-State Actors in New Aid Modalities'⁴, the EU delegations should undertake a comprehensive mapping of NGOs, CSOs and local authorities relevant for their work in the respective country, especially of local and community-based organizations;

⁴ Tools and Methods Series / Reference document no 12: Engaging Non-State Actors in New Aid Modalities for Better Development Outcomes and Governance.

Or. en

Amendment 107
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 e. Reiterates that the creation of a Standing Rapporteur for PCD from the

ACP countries in the context of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly would facilitate the coordination with and work of the EP's Standing Rapporteur on PCD and the relevant department of the Commission and Council and would help to eliminate obstacles to PCD within developing countries themselves;

Or. en

Amendment 108
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 f. Recalls that, in its June 2011 Communication on the Multi-Annual Financial Framework, the Commission had proposed extending the powers of scrutiny of the EDF to the EP; regrets that this proposal does not feature in the legislative proposal for the 11th EDF;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 g. Underlines that a post-2015 international framework for development cooperation should go beyond a traditional interpretation of development cooperation to provide a more comprehensive approach to poverty eradication and sustainable development,

leveraging policy coherence for development as an important mechanism and promoting rights-based approaches; points out that such a framework should go beyond the current concept of public action and aid and should involve all countries (developed, developing, emerging) and all actors (traditional and new donors, developing and developed country governments and local authorities, the private sector, NGOs, social partners, etc.) in a coherent and inclusive process;

Or. en

Amendment 110
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 h. Urges the Members States to allocate a significant share of the auctioning revenues from the European Emissions Trading System (ETS) to climate change-related activities in developing countries from 2013 onwards;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 i. Considers that the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) is not sufficiently adapted to communities and

rural organizations in developing countries as the thresholds posed by its methodologies and costs are too high;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Draws attention to the EU's pledges for democracy and human rights and conditions such as those enshrined in the "more for more" approach concerning the EU's immediate Neighbourhood policy; stresses that their relevance can only be assured when no other policy area or interactions with partner countries counteract initiatives undertaken to strengthen human rights, human security and democracy in partner countries;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 b. Recalls the fact that arms exports are an inter-governmental issue, while development is, in part, a Community competence; suggests that the division of responsibilities between Commission and Council be clearly defined in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 d. Concludes that deciding whether to approve arms exports to developing countries in relation to the "sustainable development" criterion, i.e. Criterion 8 of the Consolidated EU and National Arms Export Licensing Criteria, can be difficult, given that other policy considerations can override its application; recommends that Member States provide a full statement of the methodology used in relation to this Criterion;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 e. Acknowledges the interdependence of development, democracy, human rights, good governance and security, which any discussion on PCD has to take into account;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 f. Reiterates that it is inconsistent with development objectives when security initiatives are merely about a State's safety, safeguarding EU investments and access to raw materials rather than the protection of people; takes the view that the concepts of human security and development should therefore be considered as essential in the security-development nexus, as they are centred on the individual;

Or. en

Amendment 117
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Points out that coordination among peace-building, humanitarian aid and development activities in post-conflict situations should be improved in accordance with the 'Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development' strategic framework in order to comply with the principles of PCD and human security, the latter still being undervalued; reminds the Commission that the Council had invited it to prepare an EU Action Plan on situations of fragility in 2009;

21. Points out that coordination among peace-building, humanitarian aid and development activities in post-conflict situations should be improved in accordance with the "**Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development" (LRRD)** strategic framework in order to comply with the principles of PCD and human security, the latter still being undervalued; reminds the Commission that the Council had invited it to prepare an EU Action Plan on situations of **conflict and** fragility in 2009 **and that the EU endorsed the New Deal for engagement in fragile states that was adopted at the Busan high level forum on Aid Effectiveness;**

Or. en

Amendment 118
Patrice Tirolien, Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Emphasises that with the Council Working Group on Conventional Arms Exports being the main committee responsible for the EU's Code of Conduct on Arms Exports it is imperative that development objectives are taken into account in this forum;

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22. Emphasises that with the Council Working Group on Conventional Arms Exports being the main committee responsible for the EU's Code of Conduct on Arms Exports it is imperative that development objectives are taken into account in this forum; ***further calls on the Council to make the European Code of Conduct on Arms Exports legally binding;***

Or. en

Amendment 119
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Stresses that 'brain drain' can cause serious problems in developing countries, especially in the health sector; therefore asks the Commission to monitor the effects of the Blue Card system on developing countries and take corrective action if necessary;

Amendment

23. Stresses that 'brain drain' can cause serious problems in developing countries, especially in the health sector; ***acknowledges that 'brain drain' affecting developing countries is the result of a combination of structural causes and push and pull factors;*** therefore asks the Commission to monitor the effects of the Blue Card system on developing countries and take corrective action if necessary; ***also asks the Commission to promote the application of the "WHO Code of practice" regarding the international recruitment of health personnel to both the public and the private sectors;***

Amendment 120
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 a. Underlines that it has to be guaranteed that Mobility Partnerships are consistent with the international Human Rights legal framework; asks the EU to eliminate conditionality in development aid relating to migration reduction, in both bilateral and multilateral negotiations by the EU and its Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 121
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 b. Calls on the EU to strengthen the partnership principle in the future Asylum and Migration Fund by making it mandatory for relevant state authorities and bodies to include CSOs and migrant organisations in the preparation, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the multi-annual programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 c. Insists that the external dimension strand in the Asylum and Migration Fund is fully coherent with the external aid instruments and EU development objectives; proposes that safeguards be put in place to prevent Member States from using this strand of funding merely to curb migration from developing countries;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 d. Supports a migrant-centred and human rights based approach to EU migration policy with the view to enable the EU Member States and partner countries to respect, protect and fulfil the human rights of all migrants and enable migrants to claim their rights throughout the migration journey; emphasizes that human rights-based and migrant-centred approaches will help to properly analyse the root causes of forced migration notably conflicts, climate change, unemployment and poverty and ensure that the EU offers adequate responses to these, in line with PCD;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Patrice Tirolien, Norbert Neuser

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25 a. Calls on the Commission and the ACP countries, in the ongoing revision of the ACP-EU Agreement, to include in Article 13 the principles of circular migration and its facilitation by granting circular visas; stresses that the article in question emphasises respect for human rights and equitable treatment of nationals of ACP countries but that the scope of these principles is seriously compromised by bilateral readmission agreements with transit countries in a context of externalisation by Europe of the management of migration, which do not guarantee respect for the rights of migrants and which may result in 'cascade' readmissions which jeopardise their safety and their lives;

Or. en

Amendment 125
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25 a. Stresses the need to support specific health initiatives, especially at local and regional level, to strength public health systems and help countries develop and implement sound, evidence-based national health policies in priority areas (e.g., public health care systems for

women, in particular primary, maternal, gynaecological and obstetric health care as defined by the World Health Organisation, access to family planning including fertility awareness-based methods) whilst ensuring that its funding of specific initiatives does not breach the remarks set out in Section III, Title 21 of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 126
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25 b. The EU reaffirms the importance of co-financing of non governmental organisations as facilitating principle that motivates grant beneficiaries to higher accountability and contribution to development effectiveness and improves cooperation of all stakeholders recommended by the Istanbul principles¹; therefore, and in respect to the non-governmental character of applicants, the rate of overall EU assistance for operating costs provided to each funded private or public body, authority or programme shall not exceed 50 % of the applicant's overall annual budget of the grant year;

¹ Istanbul Principles, as agreed at the Open Forum's Global Assembly in Istanbul, September 28 -30, 2010

Or. en

Amendment 127
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Other Issues

Or. en

Amendment 128
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 i. Asks the Commission to consider scaling up its support for culture-related programmes or cooperation projects with partners from developing countries due to their cross-cutting nature regarding the EU's development objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 j. Highlights that planning for the provision of basic services, such as primary education, needs to focus more forcefully on those specific characteristics of particularly marginalized groups which make provision more difficult and limit the ability of the groups to take advantage

of what is available;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 k. Underlines the urgent need to change the humanitarian mindset and recognize the vital role of education, especially of education during conflict-related emergencies and in the aftermath of conflicts; regrets that education is still one of the most underfunded areas of humanitarian aid;

Or. en

Amendment 131
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 l. Asks the Commission to consider the cross-cutting nature of ICTs in development policies, especially the positive influence they can have on the education system, and stresses that intellectual property rights, technology transfer and local capacity-building require particular attention in that context;

Or. en

Amendment 132
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 m. Points out that true banking transactions (m-banking) should be distinguished from basic money transfers (m-payments) and that the need to regulate international money transactions (e.g. to prevent money laundering or terrorism financing) by promoting the use of mobiles for affordable access to money for the poor must be reconciled; suggests that collecting existing best practices would be a useful way to share knowledge and address those challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 133
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 n (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 n. Regrets that budget support arrangements are still characterized by a lack of citizen and parliamentary oversight of agreements, their implementation, and their monitoring;

Or. en

Amendment 134
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 o (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 o. Reiterates that, while budget support should be in line with promoting democratic governance, strengthening developing countries' own economic resources, fight against corruption and accountability of public spending, it should essentially focus on poverty reduction;

Or. en

**Amendment 135
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 a. Reiterates that the EU's efforts to secure access to raw materials from developing countries must not undermine local development and poverty eradication but support developing countries in translating their mineral wealth into real development; also stresses that the EU should support good governance, value addition processes and financial transparency of governments and commercial undertakings so that local mining sectors can act as a catalyst for development;

Or. en

**Amendment 136
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 b. Stresses that financial transparency is essential for supporting revenue mobilisation and combating tax evasion; insists that the current reform of the EU Accounting and Transparency Directives should include a requirement for listed and large private extractive and timber companies to disclose payments they make to governments on a project-by-project basis and with reporting thresholds that reflect the materiality of payments from the perspective of poor communities;

Or. en

Amendment 137

Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 c. Welcomes the eight areas of action for the years 2011-2014 chosen by the Commission in its proposal for a new policy on corporate social responsibility; underlines the importance of binding corporate social responsibility obligations and of encouraging employers to apply social standards which are more ambitious than current statutory provisions, including the possibility to develop and obtain a designation such as a social label; calls on the Commission to support the Member States in carefully monitoring the implementation, and ensuring the legal enforcement, of these obligations;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 d. Takes the view that, while there is a limit to what donor aid can achieve in terms of strengthening domestic accountability, some forms of aid can make a difference, from 'doing no harm' to actually strengthening existing domestic accountability systems, e.g. by involving local CSOs and parliaments of developing countries in the context of sector wide approaches (SWAp);

Or. en

Amendment 139
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 e. Regrets that global health funding and interventions are skewed toward high-visibility events, such as the Asian tsunami, as well as toward a few high-profile infectious diseases (such as HIV/AIDS) while non-communicable diseases account for 63% of all deaths worldwide and injuries account for 17% of the global burden of morbidity and while women and children die because of the failure to deliver basic care during pregnancy, childbirth and infancy;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 f. Stresses that in line with its responsibility to protect the rights of clinical trials subjects in developing countries and to protect the health of EU citizens, the European Parliament can use its right to initiate investigations; also proposes the monitoring of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) on certain issues, e.g. checking what actions the EMA undertakes to clarify the practical application of ethical standards to clinical trials and making sure EMA is putting efforts into harmonising the application of ethical standards by the responsible authorities;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 g. Asks the Commission to support local civil society groups, particularly women's groups and those that have a agenda sensitive to women, through accessible funding and capacity-building in order for them to be able to fulfil their role as effective development actors and custodians of peace and good government, especially in the context of situations of fragility;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Patrice Tirolien

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 h. Welcomes the EU plan of Action on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Development and encourages monitoring and implementation of gender mainstreaming in EU funded projects at country level; calls on the EU High Representative to take all necessary measures in order to provide adequate and effective training to EU delegation staff members regarding a gender-sensitive approach to peace keeping, conflict-prevention and peace-building;

Or. en