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European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)

Proposal for a regulation

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Amendment 1

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Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 1, 87, 88

Proposal for a regulation

Title 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European *Globalisation Adjustment* Fund (*EGF*).

Amendment

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Fund *for Transition (EFT)*.

Or. en

Amendment 2

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments FEMM 89, 90, REGI 1

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) Horizontal principles as set out in Article 3 of the Treaty on the European Union ("TEU") and in **Article 10** TFEU, including principles of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 5 TEU should be respected in the implementation of the Funds, taking into account the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union. Member States and the Commission should aim at eliminating inequalities and at promoting equality between men and women and integrating the gender perspective, as well as at combating discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation. The objectives of the Funds should be pursued in the framework of sustainable development and the Union's promotion of

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(1) Horizontal principles as set out in Article 3 of the Treaty on European Union ("TEU") and in **Articles 9 and 10 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union** (TFEU), including principles of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 5 TEU should be respected in the implementation of the Funds, taking into account the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union. **In accordance with Article 8 TFEU**, Member States and the Commission should aim at eliminating inequalities and at promoting equality between men and women and integrating the gender perspective as well as at combating discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation. The

the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment as set out in Articles 11 and 191(1) TFEU, taking into account the polluter pays principle.

objectives of the Funds should be pursued in the framework of sustainable development and the Union's promotion of the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment as set out in Articles 11 and 191(1) TFEU, taking into account the polluter pays principle.

Or. en

Amendment 3

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 92, 93, INTA 3

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) In February 2018, the Commission adopted its Communication on ‘A new, modern Multiannual Financial Framework for a European Union that delivers efficiently on its priorities post-2020’¹⁸. The Communication stresses that the Union budget shall support Europe’s unique social market economy. Therefore, it will be of utmost importance to improve employment opportunities and to address the skills challenges, especially also those linked to digitisation. Budgetary flexibility shall be a key principle in the next Multiannual Financial Framework. Flexibility mechanisms shall remain in place to allow the Union to react to unforeseen events, and to ensure that budgetary resources are used where most urgently needed.

Amendment

(4) In February 2018, the Commission adopted its Communication on ‘A new, modern Multiannual Financial Framework for a European Union that delivers efficiently on its priorities post-2020’¹⁸. The Communication stresses that the Union budget shall support Europe’s unique social market economy. Therefore, it will be of utmost importance to improve employment opportunities and to address the skills challenges, especially also those linked to digitisation, ***automatisation and a transition towards a resource-efficient economy, fully respecting the 2015 Paris Agreement on Climate Change following the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.*** Budgetary flexibility shall be a key principle in the next Multiannual Financial Framework. Flexibility mechanisms shall remain in place to allow the Union to react ***in a more timely manner*** to unforeseen events, and to ensure that budgetary resources are used where most urgently needed.

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Or. en

Amendment 4

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 2, 95-98, INTA 4, REGI 3

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) In its ‘Reflection Paper on Harnessing Globalisation’²⁰ the Commission identifies the combination of trade related globalisation and technological change as the major drivers of an increased demand for skilled labour and a reduced number of jobs that require lower qualifications. ***Despite the overall tremendous advantages of more open trade and further integration of world economies, these negative side effects need to be tackled.*** As the current benefits of globalisation are already unequally distributed among people and regions, causing a significant impact on those adversely affected, there is a danger that ***the ever faster evolving*** technological advances will further fuel these effects. Therefore, in line with the principles of solidarity and sustainability, it will be necessary to ensure that the benefits of globalisation ***will be*** shared more fairly by reconciling economic ***opening*** and technological advance with social protection.

Amendment

(6) In its ‘Reflection Paper on Harnessing Globalisation’²⁰ the Commission identifies the combination of trade related globalisation and technological change as the major drivers of an increased demand for skilled labour and a reduced number of jobs that require lower qualifications. ***While acknowledging the advantages of more open trade, appropriate means are needed to address related*** negative side effects. As the current benefits of globalisation are already unequally distributed among people and regions, causing a significant impact on those adversely affected, there is a danger that technological ***and environmental changes*** will further fuel these effects. Therefore, in line with the principles of solidarity and sustainability, it will be necessary to ensure that the benefits of globalisation ***are*** shared more fairly. ***Any simultaneous adverse effects of globalisation and technological and environmental transitions should be more widely anticipated by the relevant EU funds, such as the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+), in order better to adapt the business world and workforces by***

reconciling economic *growth* and technological advance with *adequate* social protection *and active support to accessing employment and self-employment opportunities*.

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Or. en

Amendment 5 **S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA**

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 4, 102-104, CONT 1, INTA 5, REGI 5

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 8**

Text proposed by the Commission

(8) **Globalisation** and technological change *is* likely to further increase the interconnectedness and interdependence of world economies. Labour reallocation is an integral and inevitable part of such economic change. If the benefits of change are to be distributed fairly, offering assistance to displaced workers and those threatened by displacement is of utmost importance. The ‘EU Quality Framework for anticipation of change and restructuring’²², is the Union policy instrument that sets the framework of best practice for anticipating and dealing with corporate restructuring. It offers a comprehensive framework on how the challenges of economic adjustment and restructuring and their employment and social impact should be addressed by adequate policy means. It also calls upon Member States to use EU and national funding in a way to ensure that the social impact of restructuring, especially the

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(8) **Climate Change, globalisation** and technological change *are* likely to further increase the interconnectedness and interdependence of world economies. Labour reallocation is an integral and inevitable part of such economic change. If the benefits of change are to be distributed fairly, offering assistance to displaced workers and those threatened by displacement is of utmost importance. ***The main Union instruments to assist affected workers are ESF+, which is designed to offer assistance in an anticipatory way, and the EFT, which is designed to offer assistance in the case of major restructuring events in a reactive manner.*** The ‘EU Quality Framework for anticipation of change and restructuring’²², is the Union policy instrument that sets the framework of best practice for anticipating and dealing with corporate restructuring. It offers a comprehensive framework on how the challenges of economic adjustment and

adverse effects on employment, can be cushioned more effectively. ***The main Union instruments to assist workers affected are the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+), which is designed to offer assistance in an anticipatory way, and the EGF, which is designed to offer assistance in the case of unexpected major restructuring events in a reactive manner.***

²² COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS EU Quality Framework for anticipation of change and restructuring, (COM(2013)882 final, 13.12.2013).

restructuring and their employment and social impact should be addressed by adequate policy means. It also calls upon Member States to use EU and national funding in a way to ensure that the social impact of restructuring, especially the adverse effects on employment, can be cushioned more effectively.

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Or. en

Amendment 6

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 6, 109, 110, REGI 8

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) As stated, in order to maintain the European nature of the ***EGF***, an application for support should be triggered when a major restructuring event causes a significant impact on the local or regional economy. Such an impact should be defined by a minimum number of job displacements within a specific reference period. Taking into account the findings of the mid-term evaluation, the threshold shall be set at **250** jobs displacement within a reference period ***of four months (or 6 months in sectoral cases)***. Taking into

Amendment

(14) As stated, in order to maintain the European nature of the ***EFT***, an application for support should be triggered when a major restructuring event causes a significant impact on the local or regional economy. Such an impact should be defined by a minimum number of job displacements within a specific reference period. Taking into account the findings of the mid-term evaluation, the threshold shall be set at **200** jobs displacement within ***the respective reference periods***. Taking into account that waves of dismissals in

account that waves of dismissals in different sectors but the same region have an equally significant impact on the local labour market, regional applications shall be possible as well. In small labour markets, such as small Member States or remote regions, including the outermost regions as referred in Article 349 *of the* TFEU, or in exceptional circumstances, applications **could be submitted** in case of a lower number of job displacements.

different sectors but the same region have an equally significant impact on the local labour market, regional applications shall be possible as well. In small labour markets, such as small Member States or remote regions, including the outermost regions as referred in Article 349 TFEU, or in exceptional circumstances, **it should be possible to submit** applications in **the** case of a lower number of job displacements.

Or. en

Amendment 7

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 9, 116, 117

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) The European Monitoring Centre on Change, based in the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) in Dublin, assists the Commission and the Member States with qualitative and quantitative analyses in order to help in the assessment of trends *of* globalisation, restructuring and the use of the *EGF*.

Amendment

(17) The European Monitoring Centre on Change, based in the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) in Dublin, assists the Commission and the Member States with qualitative and quantitative analyses in order to help in the assessment of trends, **such as in** globalisation, **technological and environmental changes**, restructuring and **in** the use of the *EFT*. **Such analyses should include sufficient disaggregated data, particularly from a gender perspective, in order to combat gender inequalities more efficiently.**

Or. en

Amendment 8

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 10, 119, CONT 4, REGI 9, BUDG 3

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

(18) Displaced workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased should have equal access to the **EGF** independently of their type of employment contract or employment relationship. Therefore, displaced workers as well as self-employed persons whose activity has ceased should be regarded as possible **EGF** beneficiaries for the purposes of this Regulation.

Amendment

(18) Displaced workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased should have equal access to the **EFT** independently of their type of employment contract or employment relationship. Therefore, displaced workers, **regardless of the type and duration of their employment relationship**, as well as self-employed persons whose activity has ceased, should be regarded as possible **EFT** beneficiaries for the purposes of this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 9
S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 11, 120-124, REGI 10, CONT 5

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 19

Text proposed by the Commission

(19) Financial contributions from the **EGF** should be primarily directed at active labour market measures aimed at reintegrating beneficiaries rapidly into sustainable employment, **either** within or outside their initial sector of activity. Measures should reflect the **prospected** needs of the local or regional labour market. However, whenever relevant, the mobility of displaced workers should also be supported in order to help find new employment elsewhere. A particular focus shall be laid on the dissemination of skills required in the digital age. The inclusion of pecuniary allowances in a coordinated package of personalised services should be

Amendment

(19) Financial contributions from the **EFT** should be primarily directed at active labour market measures **and personalised services** aimed at reintegrating beneficiaries rapidly into **quality and sustainable employment in a future-oriented sector, whether** within or outside their initial sector of activity, **but should also seek to promote self-employment and enterprise creation, including through the establishment of cooperatives**. Measures should reflect the **prospective** needs of the local or regional labour market. However, whenever relevant, the mobility of displaced workers should also be supported in order to help find new employment

restricted. Companies *could* be encouraged to participate in the national co-funding for the *EGF*-supported measures.

elsewhere. A particular focus shall be laid on the dissemination of skills required in the digital age, *and on overcoming gender stereotypes in employment, where appropriate*. The inclusion of pecuniary allowances in a coordinated package of personalised services should be restricted. *The financial contributions should complement and not replace any measures which are the responsibility of Member States and/or companies ably virtue of national law or collective agreements*. Companies *should* be encouraged to participate in the national co-funding for the *EFT*-supported measures.

Or. en

Amendment 10

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 12, 126, 127, 128, REGI 11

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) When drawing up the coordinated package of active labour market policy measures, Member States should favour measures that will significantly contribute to the employability of the beneficiaries. Member States should strive towards the reintegration into sustainable employment of *the largest possible number of* beneficiaries participating in these measures as soon as possible within the *six*-month period before the final report on the implementation of the financial contribution is due.

Amendment

(20) When drawing up the coordinated package of active labour market policy measures, Member States should favour measures that will significantly contribute to the employability of the beneficiaries. Member States should strive towards the reintegration into *quality and* sustainable employment of *all* beneficiaries participating in these measures as soon as possible within the *seven*-month period before the final report on the implementation of the financial contribution is due. *The design of the coordinated package of personalised services should take into account the underlying reasons for the redundancies where relevant and anticipate future labour market perspectives and required*

skills. The coordinated package should be compatible with the shift towards a climate-friendly and resource-efficient economy.

Or. en

Amendment 11

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 13, 129-133, REGI 12, INTA 15

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) Member States should pay particular attention to disadvantaged beneficiaries, including young and older unemployed persons and *those* at risk of poverty, when designing the coordinated package of active labour market policy measures, given that those groups experience particular problems in re-entering the labour market. Notwithstanding, the principles of gender equality and of non-discrimination, which are among the Union's core values and are enshrined in the European Pillar of Social Rights, should be respected and promoted when implementing the *EGF*.

Amendment

(21) Member States should pay particular attention to disadvantaged beneficiaries, including *persons with disabilities, persons with dependent relatives*, young and older unemployed persons, *persons with a low level of qualifications, persons with a migrant background* and *persons* at risk of poverty when designing the coordinated package of active labour market policy measures, given that those groups experience particular problems in re-entering the labour market. Notwithstanding, the principles of gender equality and of non-discrimination, which are among the Union's core values and are enshrined in the European Pillar of Social Rights, should be respected and promoted when implementing the *EFT*.

Or. en

Amendment 12

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Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 17, 140, 141, INTA 19

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

(25) *Special provisions* should be included for information and communication activities on EGF cases and outcomes.

Amendment

(25) *In light of the principle of equality, Member States* should ensure effective access to information about the EFT throughout their territory, including in rural areas. The Commission should, in particular, promote the dissemination of existing best practice, raise awareness of the EFT's eligibility criteria and application procedures and do more to raise awareness of the EFT among EU citizens and workers. *Special provisions* should be included for information and communication activities on EGF cases and outcomes.

Or. en

Amendment 13

S&D, EPP, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 1, 24, 87, 88, 151

Proposal for a regulation

Title 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European *Globalisation Adjustment* Fund (EGF).

Amendment

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Fund *for Transition (EFT)*.

Or. en

Amendment 14

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 26, 152-157, INTA 21, REGI 16, CONT 12

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

*The EGF shall contribute to a better distribution of the benefits of globalisation and technological advance by helping displaced workers **adapt to structural change**. As such, the EGF shall contribute to the implementation of the principles defined under the European Pillar of Social Rights and enhance social and economic cohesion among regions and Member States.*

Amendment

*The objective of the EFT shall be to support socio-economic transformations that are the result of globalisation and of technological and environmental changes by helping displaced workers **through the promotion of alternative, sustainable employment**. The EFT is an emergency fund that operates reactively and contributes to a just transition. As such, the EFT shall contribute to the implementation of the principles defined under the European Pillar of Social Rights and enhance social and economic cohesion among regions and Member States.*

Or. en

Amendment 15

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 27, 158-161, REGI 17, BUDG 7

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the programme is to demonstrate solidarity with and offer support **to** displaced workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased in the course of unexpected major restructuring events, referred to in Article 5.

Amendment

1. The general objective of the programme is to demonstrate solidarity with and offer **financial** support **for re-employment measures with regard to** displaced workers **regardless of the type or duration of their employment relationship** and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased in the course of unexpected major restructuring events, referred to in Article 5(1) to (3).

Or. en

Amendment 16

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 162-165, FEMM 166, REGI 18, INTA 22m
CONT 13, BUDG 8

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The specific objective of the *EGF* is to offer assistance in case of *unexpected* major restructuring events, particularly those caused by globalisation-related challenges, such as changes in world trade patterns, trade disputes, financial or economic crises, the transition to low-carbon economy or as a consequence of digitisation *or automation*. Particular emphasis shall *lie* on measures that help the most disadvantaged groups.

Amendment

2. The specific objective of the *EFT* is to offer assistance *and support to workers with regard to their reintegration into the labour market* in *the* case of major restructuring events, particularly those caused by globalisation-related challenges, such as changes in world trade patterns, trade disputes, financial or economic crises, the transition to a low-carbon economy or as a consequence of digitisation, *automatisation and technological change*. Particular emphasis shall be *placed* on measures that help the most disadvantaged groups *and on the promotion of gender equality*.

Or. en

Amendment 17

S&D, EPP, ALDE

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 31, 167-171, REGI 19, CONT 14

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) 'displaced worker' means a worker whose employment is ended prematurely by redundancy, or whose contract is not renewed, due to economic reasons;

Amendment

(a) 'displaced worker' means a worker, *regardless of the type or duration of his or her employment relationship*, whose employment is ended prematurely by redundancy, or whose contract is not renewed, due to economic reasons;

Or. en

Amendment 18

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 172-174, REGI 20

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) ‘self-employed person’ means a person who employed fewer than 10 workers;

Amendment

(b) ‘self-employed person’ means a person who employed fewer than 10 workers;

Or. en

Amendment 19

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 36, 178-181, REGI 22

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the cessation of activity of **more than 250** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **four** months, in an enterprise in a Member State, including where that cessation applies in its suppliers or downstream producers;

Amendment

(a) the cessation of activity of **at least 200** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **six** months, in an enterprise in a Member State, including where that cessation applies in its suppliers or downstream producers;

Or. en

Amendment 20

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 37, 182-185, REGI 23, CONT 17

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the cessation of activity of **more than 250** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **six** months, particularly in SMEs, where all operate in the same economic sector defined at NACE Revision 2 division level and located in one region or two contiguous regions defined at NUTS 2 level or in more than two contiguous regions defined at NUTS 2 level provided that there are **more than 250** workers or self-employed persons affected in two of the regions combined;

Amendment

(b) the cessation of activity of **at least 200** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **nine** months, particularly in SMEs, where all operate in the same economic sector defined at NACE Revision 2 division level and located in one region or two contiguous regions defined at NUTS 2 level or in more than two contiguous regions defined at NUTS 2 level provided that there are **at least 200** workers or self-employed persons affected in two of the regions combined;

Or. en

Amendment 21

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 38, 186, REGI 24

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) the cessation of activity of **more than 250** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **four** months, particularly in SMEs, operating in the same or different economic sectors defined at NACE Revision 2 division level and located in the same region defined at NUTS 2 level.

Amendment

(c) the cessation of activity of **at least 200** displaced workers or self-employed persons, over a reference period of **nine** months, particularly in SMEs, operating in the same or different economic sectors defined at NACE Revision 2 division level and located in the same region defined at NUTS 2 level.

Or. en

Amendment 22

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 39, 191, 192, 193, INTA 23, REGI 25

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In small labour markets or in exceptional circumstances, ***in particular with regard to*** applications involving SMEs, where duly substantiated by the applicant Member State, an application for a financial contribution under this Article may be considered admissible even if the criteria laid down in points (a), (b) or (c) of paragraph 1 are not entirely met, when the redundancies have a serious impact on employment and the local or regional economy. The applicant Member State shall specify which of the intervention criteria set out in points (a), (b) or (c) of paragraph 1 are not entirely met. The aggregated amount of contributions in exceptional circumstances may not exceed 15 % of the annual ceiling of the ***EGF***.

Amendment

3. In small labour markets or in exceptional circumstances, ***including*** applications involving SMEs, where duly substantiated by the applicant Member State, an application for a financial contribution under this Article may be considered admissible even if the criteria laid down in points (a), (b) or (c) of paragraph 1 are not entirely met, when the redundancies have a serious impact on employment ***levels*** and the local or regional ***or national*** economy. The applicant Member State shall specify which of the intervention criteria set out in points (a) or (b) or (c) of paragraph 1 are not entirely met. The aggregated amount of contributions in exceptional circumstances may not exceed 15 % of the annual ceiling of the ***EFT***.

Or. en

Amendment 23
S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 194, 195

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The ***EGF*** may not be mobilised when workers are dismissed as a result of budget cuts taken by a Member State, which affect sectors that depend on public financing.

Amendment

4. The ***EFT*** may not be mobilised when workers are dismissed as a result of budget cuts taken by a Member State, which affect sectors that depend ***primarily*** on public financing.

Or. en

Amendment 24

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 42, 197

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The applicant Member State shall specify the method used for calculating the number of workers and self-employed persons defined in Article 4 for the purpose of Article 5.

Amendment

1. The applicant Member State shall specify the method used for calculating the number of ***displaced*** workers and self-employed persons defined in Article 4 for the purpose of Article 5(1), (2) **and** (3).

Or. en

Amendment 25

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 48, 199, 200, 201, REGI 26

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

A financial contribution from the ***EGF*** may be made for active labour market measures that form part of a coordinated package of personalised services, designed to facilitate the re-integration of the targeted beneficiaries and, in particular, the most disadvantaged among the displaced workers, into employment or self-employment.

Amendment

A financial contribution from the ***EFT*** may be made for active labour market measures that form part of a coordinated package of personalised services, ***with the involvement of trade union organisations and/or worker representatives***, designed to facilitate the re-integration of the targeted beneficiaries and, in particular, the most disadvantaged among the displaced workers, into ***quality and sustainable*** employment or self-employment.

Or. en

Amendment 26

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 49, 202, 203, 204, REGI 27, INTA 24

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The dissemination of skills required in the digital industrial age is a mandatory horizontal element of any package of personalised services offered. The level of training shall be adapted to the qualifications and *the* needs of the respective beneficiary.

Amendment

The dissemination of skills required in the digital industrial age *as well as in a resource-efficient economy* is a mandatory horizontal element of any package of personalised *training and/or* services offered. The level of training shall be adapted to the qualifications, *skills* and *specific* needs of the respective beneficiary.

Or. en

Amendment 27
S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA
Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 205-208

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) tailor-made training and retraining, including in information and communication technology and other skills required in the digital age, certification of acquired experience, job-search assistance, occupational guidance, advisory services, mentoring, outplacement assistance, entrepreneurship promotion, aid for self-employment, business start-ups and employee take-overs, and cooperation activities;

Amendment

(a) tailor-made training and retraining, including in information and communication technology and other skills that are required in the digital age, certification of acquired experience, *personalised* job-search assistance, occupational guidance, advisory services, mentoring, outplacement assistance, entrepreneurship promotion, aid for self-employment, business start-ups and employee take-overs, and cooperation activities;

Or. en

Amendment 28
S&D, EPP, Greens/EFA
Compromise amendment replacing Amendments FEMM 209, 210, 211, REGI 28

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) special time-limited measures, such as job-search allowances, employers' recruitment incentives, mobility allowances, training or subsistence allowances, including allowances for *carers*.

Amendment

(b) special time-limited measures, such as job-search allowances, mobility allowances, *childcare allowances*, training or subsistence allowances, including allowances for carers *and* employers' recruitment *incentives including incentives to provide flexible working arrangements for displaced workers*.

Or. en

Amendment 29
S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA
Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 212-214

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The costs of the measures referred to in point (b) *may* not exceed 35 % of the total costs for the coordinated package of personalised services listed in this paragraph.

Amendment

The costs of the measures referred to in point (b) *shall* not exceed 35 % of the total costs for the coordinated package of personalised services listed in this paragraph.

Or. en

Amendment 30
S&D, EPP, ALDE
Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 50, 215, 216, 217, CONT 19

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

The investments for self-employment,

Amendment

The investments for self-employment,

starting an own business or for employee take-overs *may* not exceed EUR 20 000 per displaced worker.

starting an own business *including a cooperative* or for employee take-overs *shall* not exceed EUR 25 000 per displaced worker.

Or. en

Amendment 31

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 226-228, REGI 30

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The coordinated package of services shall be drawn up in consultation with the targeted beneficiaries or their representatives, *or* the social partners.

Amendment

3. The coordinated package of services shall be drawn up in consultation with the targeted beneficiaries or their representatives *and/or* the social partners.

Or. en

Amendment 32

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 55, 229, 230, REGI 31

Proposal for a regulation

Article 9 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Within ten working days of the date of submission of the application, or, where applicable, of the date on which the Commission is in possession of the translation of the application, whichever is the later, the Commission shall inform the Member State of any additional information it requires in order to assess the application.

Amendment

2. Within ten working days of the date of submission of the application, or, where applicable, of the date on which the Commission is in possession of the translation of the application, whichever is the later, the Commission shall *acknowledge receipt of the application and* inform the Member State of any additional information it requires in order to assess the application.

Or. en

Amendment 33

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 56, 231-235, REGI 32

Proposal for a regulation

Article 9 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. On the basis of the information provided by the Member State, the Commission shall complete its assessment of the application's compliance with the conditions for providing a financial contribution, within **60** working days of the receipt of the complete application or, where applicable, of the translation of the application. Where the Commission is unable, exceptionally, to comply *with* that deadline, *it shall provide* a written explanation setting out the reasons for *the* delay.

Amendment

4. On the basis of the information provided by the Member State, the Commission shall complete its assessment of the application's compliance with the conditions for providing a financial contribution, within **40** working days of the receipt of the complete application or, where applicable, of the translation of the application. Where the Commission is unable, exceptionally, to comply, that deadline *may be extended by a further 20 working days, provided that the Commission gives a prior* written explanation setting out the reasons for *its* delay *and submits that explanation to the Member State concerned.*

Or. en

Amendment 34

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 71, 262

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Commission shall, on the basis of the assessment carried out in accordance with Article 9 and in particular taking into account the number of targeted beneficiaries, the proposed measures and the estimated costs, evaluate and propose *as quickly as possible* the amount of a

Amendment

1. The Commission shall, on the basis of the assessment carried out in accordance with Article 9 and in particular taking into account the number of targeted beneficiaries, the proposed measures and the estimated costs, evaluate and propose, *within the deadline laid down in Article*

financial contribution from the *EGF*, if any, that may be made within the limits of the resources available.

9(4), the amount of a financial contribution from the *EFT*, if any, that may be made within the limits of the resources available.

Or. en

Amendment 35

S&D, EPP, ALDE, Greens/EFA

Compromise amendment replacing Amendments 73, 265, REGI 42

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Where, on the basis of the assessment carried out in accordance with Article 9, the Commission concludes that the conditions for a financial contribution under this Regulation are not met, it shall immediately notify the applicant Member State.

Amendment

4. Where, on the basis of the assessment carried out in accordance with Article 9, the Commission concludes that the conditions for a financial contribution under this Regulation are not met, it shall immediately notify the applicant Member State *as well as other concerned stakeholders, including the European Parliament*.

Or. en