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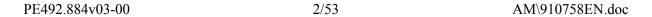
# AMENDMENTS 1 - 110

**Draft report Pablo Arias Echeverría**(PE489.679v01-00)

Completing the Digital Single Market (a coherent framework for building trust in the Digital single market for e-commerce and online services) (COM(2011)0942 - 2012/2030(INI))

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# Amendment 1 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Citation 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 15 November 2011 on online gambling in the Internal Market P7\_TA(2011)0492,

Or. pt

Amendment 2 Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution Citation 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 25 October 2011 on mobility and inclusion of people with disabilities and the European Disability Strategy 2010-2020 4,

Or. en

Amendment 3 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Citation 27 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Monti report of 9 May 2010 on a new strategy for the single

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Texts adopted, P7\_TA(2011)0453.

Or. pt

Amendment 4 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas completing the Digital Single Market is a key factor in making the EU the most competitive and dynamic knowledge-based economy in the world; deleted

Or. sv

Amendment 5 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas e-commerce and online services are a vital force of the internet and are crucial to the aims of the EU 2020 strategy for the internal market, benefiting both citizens and businesses;

### Amendment

B. whereas e-commerce and online services are a vital force of the internet and are crucial to the aims of the EU 2020 strategy for the internal market, benefiting both citizens and businesses *through intelligent*, *sustainable and inclusive growth*;

Or. pt

Amendment 6 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Recital C

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## Motion for a resolution

### Amendment

C. whereas 99% of all European businesses are SMEs, providing 85% of employment, and SMEs are thus the driving force in the European economy, having the prime responsibility for wealth creation and growth, as well as innovation and R&D;

deleted

Or. sv

Amendment 7 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas 99% of all European businesses are SMEs, providing 85% of employment, and SMEs are thus the driving force in the European economy, having the prime responsibility for wealth creation and growth, as well as innovation and R&D;

### Amendment

C. whereas 99% of all European businesses are SMEs, providing 85% of employment, and SMEs are thus the driving force in the European economy, having the prime responsibility for wealth creation, *employment* and growth, as well as innovation and R&D;

Or. pt

Amendment 8 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas e-commerce has become an essential part of commerce and an important driver of consumer choice, competition and technological innovation, given that consumers and businesses

## differentiate less and less between online and offline in their daily life;

Or. en

Amendment 9 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas companies which have developed their internet economy have progressed far more than others, and in the current economic crisis with the generation of employment practically depending on SMEs, it is essential to remove barriers to online commerce;

### Amendment

D. whereas companies which have developed their internet economy have progressed far more than others, and in the current economic *and financial* crisis with the generation of employment practically depending on SMEs, it is essential to remove barriers to online commerce *so that they can benefit from all its advantages*;

Or. pt

Amendment 10 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Philippe Juvin, Lara Comi

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas e-commerce is an important complement to offline trade, providing opportunities for small companies to grow and offering greater access to goods and services also in remote areas, the countryside and for people with disabilities and reduced mobility;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Morten Løkkegaard

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas, in some G8 countries, the internet accounts for 20% of economic growth and 25% of job growth in the last five years;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas the benefits of globalisation can be more evenly distributed among consumers and SMEs thanks to the Internet and e-commerce;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas achieving an effective functioning internal market would fulfil the Lisbon agenda goals of increasing growth, employment and competition to serve the 500 million consumers in the EU;

deleted

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Amendment 14 Morten Løkkegaard

Motion for a resolution Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas achieving an effective functioning internal market would *fulfil* the Lisbon agenda goals of increasing growth, employment and competition to serve the 500 million consumers in the EU;

Amendment

E. whereas achieving an effective functioning internal market would *be an important step towards fulfilling* the Lisbon agenda goals of increasing growth, employment and competition to serve the 500 million consumers in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 15 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the Digital Single Market offers a wider choice at more competitive prices to consumers, especially to those living in less accessible, remote or outlying areas, as well as those with reduced mobility, who would otherwise not have access to a wide choice of goods,

Or. pt

Amendment 16 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Recital E a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the Internet allows new businesses, in particular SMEs, to start up and existing companies to flourish by finding new market niches;

Or. en

Amendment 17 Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas there are 75 million persons with disabilities in Europe, and these persons should also have full access to the internal market;

Amendment

F. whereas there are 75 million persons with disabilities in Europe, and these persons should also have full access to the internal market, *paying particular* attention to the challenges of digital interfaces in the case of people with visual impairments;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría, Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas the internet and technology constitute tools enabling the internationalisation of SMEs and the increased engagement of SMEs in international markets and trade;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas consumers benefit from lower prices on e-commerce and a wider choice as well as the convenience of being able to shop without moving - this is particularly beneficial for disabled consumers and consumers in rural or remote areas;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

Motion for a resolution Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas access to reliable information and transparency should be enhanced, allowing consumers to compare not only prices but also quality and sustainability of goods and services online;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Recital H a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

Ha. whereas most disputes are actually resolved out of court and the time periods conceded to ADR can be too short - an effective ODR system is required;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Morten Løkkegaard

Motion for a resolution Subheading 1

Motion for a resolution

A Digital Single Market for *growth and employment* 

Amendment

A Digital Single Market for *the business* sector

Or. en

Amendment 23 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses that in times of economic crisis it is essential to take measures to stimulate growth and create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be a crucial step forward in terms of achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that in times of economic and financial crisis it is essential to take measures to stimulate growth and create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be a crucial step forward in terms of achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market as soon as possible;

Or. pt

## Amendment 24 Morten Løkkegaard

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

### Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses that in times of economic crisis it is essential to take measures to stimulate growth and create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be a crucial step forward in terms of achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that in times of economic crisis it is essential to take measures to stimulate growth and create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be a crucial step forward in terms of achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market; highlights the fact that the digital single market is the easiest way for businesses and citizens to reap the benefits of the single market;

Or. en

## Amendment 25 Mikael Gustafsson

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

## Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses that in times of economic crisis it is essential to take measures to *stimulate growth and* create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be *a crucial step forward in terms of* achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market;

#### Amendment

1. Stresses that in times of economic crisis it is essential to take measures to create employment, and emphasises that completing the Digital Single Market would be *important for* achieving this goal; calls on the Commission, therefore, to implement its plan for the launching and completion of the Digital Single Market;

Or. sv

## Amendment 26 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

## Motion for a resolution

2. Welcomes the Commission's new communication on e-commerce and online services, published on 11 January 2012, which aims to develop a coherent framework for e-commerce, via the building of trust and the extension of e-commerce and online services to the B2B, B2C, C2C and G2G sectors;

#### Amendment

2. Welcomes the Commission's new communication on e-commerce and online services, published on 11 January 2012, which aims to develop a coherent framework for e-commerce, via the building of trust and the extension of e-commerce and online services to the B2B, B2C, C2C and G2G sectors; calls on the Commission to report on the progress made on the 16 'Main Actions' as set out under the five priority areas of the communication by the end of 2012;

Or. en

## Amendment 27 Emma McClarkin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

### Motion for a resolution

4. Stresses that fragmentation and lack of legal certainty are primary concerns in the Digital Single Market, and that inconsistent enforcement of rules in *the* Member States needs to be dealt with;

#### Amendment

4. Stresses that fragmentation and lack of legal certainty are primary concerns in the Digital Single Market, and that inconsistent enforcement of rules in Member States, such as different copyright systems, needs to be dealt with in order to increase choice for consumers;

Or. en

Amendment 28 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 – point 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(1) Considers that fragmentation is also partly due to the poor or late transposition of directives by the Member States, which should be subject to more rigorous scrutiny by the European institutions;

Or. pt

Amendment 29 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 – point 2 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(2) Invites the Commission to assess the viability of implementing an 'e-commerce test' as part of all future legislation to ensure that it does not hinder the development of the Digital Single Market;

Or. pt

Amendment 30 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Suggests that the Commission introduce an "e-commerce test" for internal market proposals, in order to ensure that they do not create additional

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# obstacles or fragmentation both to offline and online commerce;

Or. en

# Amendment 31 Christian Engström

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

## Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the e-commerce directive is the cornerstone of the Digital Single Market and that a revision of this directive is not required; welcomes, however, the Commission's initiative for improving its implementation and providing clarification, e.g. with regard to the notice and action procedures;

#### Amendment

5. Stresses that the e-commerce directive is the cornerstone of the Digital Single Market and that a revision of this directive is not required; welcomes, however, the Commission's initiative for improving its implementation and providing clarification

Or. en

# Amendment 32 Morten Løkkegaard

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

#### Motion for a resolution

5. Stresses that the e-commerce directive is the cornerstone of the Digital Single Market and that a revision of this directive is not required; welcomes, however, the Commission's initiative for improving its implementation and providing clarification, e.g. with regard to the *notice* and *action procedures*;

### Amendment

5. Stresses that the e-commerce directive is the cornerstone of the Digital Single Market and that a revision of this directive is not required; welcomes, however, the Commission's initiative for improving its implementation and providing clarification, e.g. with regard to the *ability to do business anonymously online, response time for take-down*, and *the concept of a permanent take-down*;

Or. en

## Amendment 33 Louis Grech

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Highlights the need to modernise and facilitate the process of recognition of professional qualifications and extend the scope for automatic recognition beyond the professions currently covered, targeting particularly new professions required for green and digital industries, which facilitate the mobility of highly skilled workers;

Or. en

Amendment 34 Marielle Gallo, Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Emphasises the importance of a European cloud computing strategy given its potential for EU competitiveness, growth and jobs creation; stresses that the cloud computing is an opportunity for European IT industry and especially for SMEs thanks to minimal entry costs and low infrastructure requirements, to develop and become leaders in areas such as outsourcing, new digital services and data centres;

Or. en

## Amendment 35 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Notes the important link between the E-commerce Directive and the Internal Market Information System;

Or. en

Amendment 36 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that SMEs form the backbone of the European economy and that it is therefore vital to develop an action plan for their integration into the Digital Single Market; emphasises that taking advantage of the possibilities of the digital economy and the Digital Single Market through innovation and the smart use of ICT would be of great help in enabling SMEs to exit the present crisis and create growth and employment;

#### Amendment

6. Stresses that SMEs form the backbone of the European economy and that it is therefore vital to develop an action plan for their integration into the Digital Single Market; furthermore stresses the urgent need for all European SMEs to have broadband access; emphasises that taking advantage of the possibilities of the digital economy and the Digital Single Market through innovation and the smart use of ICT would be of great help in enabling SMEs to exit the present crisis and create growth and employment;

Or. en

Amendment 37 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

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## Motion for a resolution

6. Stresses that SMEs *form the backbone*of the European economy and that it is
therefore vital to develop an action plan for
their integration into the Digital Single
Market; emphasises that taking advantage
of the possibilities of the digital economy
and the Digital Single Market through
innovation and the smart use of ICT would
be of great help in enabling SMEs to exit
the present crisis and create growth and
employment;

#### Amendment

6. Stresses that SMEs *are important to* the European economy and that it is therefore vital to develop an action plan for their integration into the Digital Single Market; emphasises that taking advantage of the possibilities of the digital economy and the Digital Single Market through innovation and the smart use of ICT would be of great help in enabling SMEs to exit the present crisis and create growth and employment;

Or. sv

Amendment 38 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

#### Amendment

6a. Underlines the fact that eliminating remaining legal barriers to e-commerce and providing businesses with both the necessary information and skills and offering them the necessary tools to develop their business online more easily and effectively would be crucial to achieving the goal of creating growth and employment;

Or en

Amendment 39 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

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## Motion for a resolution

8. Calls on the Commission to develop a strategy to boost digital entrepreneurship in Europe, focusing on innovative and dynamic SMEs from all sectors so as to ensure high growth potential and innovation and create new jobs in Europe;

#### Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission to develop a strategy to boost digital entrepreneurship in Europe, focusing on innovative and dynamic SMEs from all sectors so as to ensure high growth potential and innovation and create new jobs in Europe as well as developing new niche markets for SMEs which would not otherwise exist;

Or. pt

Amendment 40 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. *Calls on* the *Commission to develop a strategy to boost* digital entrepreneurship in Europe, focusing on innovative and dynamic SMEs from all sectors so as to ensure high growth potential and innovation and create new jobs in Europe;

#### Amendment

8. Stresses the importance of boosting digital entrepreneurship in Europe, to promote training for online traders and encourage SME development programmes focusing on innovative and dynamic SMEs from all sectors so as to ensure high growth potential and innovation and create new jobs in Europe, while also enhancing consumer trust;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Calls on the Commission and the

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Member States to implement existing legislation in order to tackle barriers which hinder the growth of SMEs such as high market entry costs, cost of building brand awareness in multiple countries and IT system limitations;

Or. en

## Amendment 42 António Fernando Correia de Campos

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to introduce measures aimed at offering financial support to innovative SMEs, through existing programmes such as the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP), the new Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and SMEs (COSME) and the Research and Innovation Programme 'Horizon 2020', as well as the proposed regulation on venture capital funds;

#### Amendment

9. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to introduce measures aimed at offering financial support to innovative SMEs, through existing programmes such as the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP), the new Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and SMEs (COSME) and the Research and Innovation Programme 'Horizon 2020', *or through the creation of specific programmes*, as well as the proposed regulation on venture capital funds;

Or. pt

Amendment 43 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Calls on *the Commission and* the Member States to introduce measures aimed at offering *financial* support to

#### Amendment

9. Calls on the Member States to introduce measures aimed at offering support to innovative SMEs, through existing

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innovative SMEs, through existing programmes such as the Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP), the new Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and SMEs (COSME) and the Research and Innovation Programme 'Horizon 2020', as well as the proposed regulation on venture capital funds;

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Or. sv

Amendment 44 Morten Løkkegaard

Motion for a resolution Subheading 3

Motion for a resolution

Overcoming the remaining barriers in the Digital Single Market

#### Amendment

Overcoming the remaining barriers *for businesses* in the Digital Single Market

Or en

Amendment 45 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls on the Commission to find solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services;

### Amendment

10. Calls on the Commission to find solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services not just based on physical borders, but taking into account the

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distance to the consumer; considers it essential to ensure innovative forms of delivery allowing greater flexibility in terms of choosing a time or place of reception or possible pick-up point with no additional costs attached; considers it crucial to consider measures guaranteeing reasonably priced delivery to the more remote or outlying areas;

Or. pt

Amendment 46 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls on the Commission to find solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services;

### Amendment

10. Calls on the Commission to take appropriate action to open up for more competition on cross-border delivery services, in order to will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services are best promoted by free and fair competition;

Or. en

Amendment 47 Andreas Schwab

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls on the Commission to find

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solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services:

solutions with a view to improving delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that *the EU* framework should *be enforced where* accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and *appropriate* prices for cross-border delivery services *are not yet available*;

Or. en

Amendment 48 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Calls on the Commission to find solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery services;

#### Amendment

10. Calls on the Commission to find solutions with a view to improving the EU framework for delivery services, in a way that will allow both businesses and consumers to fully benefit from the Digital Single Market; stresses that this framework should ensure accessible, reliable and speedy delivery, friendly service, an efficient and transparent returns system, and lower prices for cross-border delivery and shipping services in order to not hinder cross-border trade and to increase consumer trust;

Or. en

Amendment 49 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 – point 1 (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(1) Recalls the need for an integrated policy approach regarding the completion of the Single Market of transport for all modes (i.e. road cabotage, rail freight, etc.) and environmental legislation in order to avoid inefficiencies of the supply chain and unnecessary cost increases for distance sellers and e-commerce customers.

Or. pt

Amendment 50 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Calls on Member States and the Commission to reduce administrative burden by allowing to use the system either of the country of the seller or the country of the buyer, in order to avoid double procedures and confusion as to which rules apply for both online retailers and consumers;

Or. en

Amendment 51 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Calls on the Commission to find solutions to SMEs' difficulties in handling

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returns, shipping infrastructure problems as well as reducing costs involved in resolving complaints and conflicts crossborder;

Or. en

Amendment 52 Morten Løkkegaard

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Stresses that, as websites can be roughly machine translated quite easily, an added advantage of the digital world is that it can help break down language barriers in the single market;

Or. en

Amendment 53 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Stresses the importance to consumers of efficient delivery, better feedback about delivery, as well as receiving their product on time, which were all identified as top concerns of consumers in the latest Consumer Conditions Scoreboard;

Or. en

Amendment 54 António Fernando Correia de Campos

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

### Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that *digital* products such as e-books should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

#### Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system, particularly through the creation of a European one-stop shop; stresses that online cultural products such as e-books, audiovisual products or music should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format

Or. pt

## Amendment 55 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

### Motion for a resolution

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## Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that digital products such as e-books should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

Or. en

## Amendment 56 Christian Engström

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

# Motion for a resolution

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#### Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that digital products such as, *inter alia*, ebooks should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

Or. en

## Amendment 57 Marielle Gallo, Pablo Arias Echeverría

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

### Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that digital products such as e-books should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

#### Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions; points out that the existing European VAT framework is a barrier to the development of new digital services, and that encouraging companies to develop and offer new Europe-wide online services should be a priority in the revision of the VAT rules; considers that the digital distribution of cultural, journalistic and creative content should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

## Amendment 58 Morten Løkkegaard

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

## Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

# Amendment 59 Róża Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

### Motion for a resolution

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that digital products such as e-books should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

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## Amendment 60 Andreas Schwab, Pablo Arias Echeverría

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying and standardising the VAT rules for cross-border online transactions and of greater EU-wide harmonisation as regards rates and regimes, and to cut red tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; calls on the Commission and the Member States to seize the opportunity that the 2015 changes to the VAT rules presents and extend the mini One-Stop Shop to ecommerce at least for SMEs; stresses that digital products such as e-books should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

Or. en

# Amendment 61 Constance Le Grip

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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easier, and more efficient system; stresses that *digital products* such as e-books should be subject to *the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format*;

easier, and more efficient system; stresses that *online cultural goods and services* such as e-books should, *like equivalent cultural products offered off line*, be subject to *a reduced rate of VAT*;

Or. fr

Amendment 62 Emma McClarkin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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#### Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to examine the possibilities of simplifying the VAT *procedures* for *SMEs* cross-border online transactions; stresses that digital products such as ebooks should be subject to the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format;

Or. en

Amendment 63 Philippe Juvin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11

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tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that *digital products* such as e-books should be subject to *the same VAT rate as the equivalent product in physical format*;

tape with a view to ensuring a simpler, easier, and more efficient system; stresses that online cultural goods and services such as e-books should be subject to a reduced rate of VAT, aligned with that applicable to equivalent cultural products offered off line;

(It is essential, in order to stimulate this growth-driving sector of the economy, that the VAT rates applied to online cultural goods and services be aligned with those applied to the equivalent cultural goods and services available off line.)

Or fr

Amendment 64 Marielle Gallo, Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 11 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

calls on the Commission to propose a revision of Directive 2006/112 in order to introduce a new category of electronically provided cultural-content services which would benefit from a reduced rate of VAT;

Or. fr

Amendment 65 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 – point 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(1) Emphasises the importance of addressing micropayments and the high administrative costs often incurred when

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paying small amounts; notes the increasingly widespread use of payment by mobile phones, smart phones and tablets and that this calls for new responses;

Or. pt

Amendment 66 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Stresses that micropayments are increasingly used to pay for media and cultural content online and considers this a useful tool in ensuring that rightsholders are remunerated;

Or. en

Amendment 67 Róża Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Points out that domestic and crossborder multilateral interchange fees (MIFs) in the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA) vary significantly between Member States; believes that both domestic and cross-border multilateral interchange fees in the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA) should be harmonised in order to allow consumers to benefit from the Single Market; calls on the Commission to conduct an impact assessment, by the end of 2012, on setting

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a cap for MIFs and progressively reducing it; calls on the Commission to propose a regulation harmonising MIFs and progressively decreasing them so as to be aligned with real costs by the end of 2015; believes that surcharges, rebates and other steering practices should be progressively banned as well, paving the way for a more transparent European Single Market for payments;

Or. en

Amendment 68 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Emphasises that privacy and data security are major concerns among consumers and tend to discourage them from buying online; considers it necessary to adapt the existing data protection legislation to new challenges and innovations in the area of present and future technological developments, e.g. cloud computing;

#### Amendment

13. Emphasises that privacy and data security are major concerns among consumers and tend to discourage them from buying online; considers it necessary to adapt the existing data protection legislation to new challenges, to prevent situations such as the trading of customer profiles among online enterprises, and to foment innovations in the area of present and future technological developments, e.g. cloud computing;

Or. pt

Amendment 69 Louis Grech

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

*Motion for a resolution* 

13. Emphasises that privacy and data

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security are major concerns among consumers and tend to discourage them from buying online; considers it necessary to adapt the existing data protection legislation to new challenges and innovations in the area of present and future technological developments, e.g. cloud computing;

security are major concerns among consumers and tend to discourage them from buying online; considers it necessary to adapt the existing data protection legislation to new challenges and innovations in the area of present and future technological developments, e.g. cloud computing, e-commerce and social networking websites; emphasises that adopted legislation should lay down more stringent rules with regard to the collection of data, notably by informing the individual why, by whom and for how long his or her data will be collected and used, this to apply both within the online as well as the offline environment;

Or. en

Amendment 70 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Recognises the economic and social potential which cloud computing has demonstrated thus far and calls on the Commission to adopt initiatives in this area in order to reap the benefits of such technology once it is more fully developed; acknowledges, however, the many technical and legal challenges arising from the development of cloud computing;

Or. en

Amendment 71 Emma McClarkin, Malcolm Harbour

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13b. Calls on the Commission to enforce the Data Breach Notification provisions in the Telecoms package and make them available for all consumers in Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 72 Emma McClarkin, Malcolm Harbour

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13c. Recalls the provisions in the Universal Service and Users' rights Directive for telecoms operators to oblige Internet Service providers to deliver public service messages to all their customers; calls on the Commission to monitor and report to the European Parliament how many telecoms regulators are complying with these rules;

Or. en

Amendment 73 Christian Engström

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, and stresses the need to approve and

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14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, *highlights the need to give citizens better* 

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implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens: control over the processing of their personal data, and stresses the need to approve and implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens:

Or en

Amendment 74 Louis Grech

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, and stresses the need to approve and implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens;

#### Amendment

14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, and stresses the need to approve and implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens, whilst maintaining strong commitments to adhering to the obligations already in place;

Or. en

Amendment 75 Rafał Trzaskowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14

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# Motion for a resolution

14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, and stresses the need to approve and implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens;

## Amendment

14. Welcomes, therefore, the Commission's proposed new data protection regulation, and stresses the need to approve and implement a new regulation on the subject in a form that, while protecting privacy and safeguarding fundamental rights, *guarantees legal certainty*, allows sufficient flexibility to companies to enable them to develop their business without taking on huge costs, while also offering them simplification and reduction of administrative burdens;

Or. en

Amendment 76 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Reiterates that a global approach is essential when addressing challenges such as data protection and piracy; encourages, in this regard, close cooperation between the EU and the Internet Governance Forum;

Or. en

Amendment 77 Mikael Gustafsson

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise deleted

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the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter;

Or. sv

# Amendment 78 Christian Engström

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter;

## Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter; asks the Commission to draw up a proposal, with the European Parliament being a party to the negotiations, for the establishment of the new jurisdictional system for patent disputes, the Unitary Patent Court Agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 79 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission to *modernise* the *legal framework governing intellectual property rights* by proposing and rapidly implementing the European

## Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to *complete* the *Digital Single Market* by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for *IPRs*, and looks forward to its

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Strategy for *Intellectual Property Rights*, and looks forward to its proposals on *the* matter;

proposals for legal tools on this matter; further believes that innovative business models and different licensing structures need to be considered in order to increase availability while also maintaining copyright and ensure right-holders' remuneration;

Or. en

Amendment 80 Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter;

## Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter by taking into account the needs of blind people and people with other disabilities facing similar challenges in this field;

Or. en

Amendment 81 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on *the* matter;

## Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on *this* matter;

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such as legislation to simplify the collective management of copyright in Europe and a Directive on Enforcement of IPR and Fight Against Counterfeiting and Piracy;

Or. en

Amendment 82 Rafał Trzaskowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter;

## Amendment

15. Calls on the Commission to modernise the legal framework governing intellectual property rights, as to make them suitable for the online reality of the 21st century, by proposing and rapidly implementing the European Strategy for Intellectual Property Rights, and looks forward to its proposals on the matter;

Or. en

Amendment 83 Constance Le Grip

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

15a. Calls on the Commission to propose agreed sector-specific solutions that respect copyright, ensuring fair remuneration for authors, and promote public access to a wide range of lawful cultural products;

Or. fr

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# Amendment 84 Andreas Schwab

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

# Motion for a resolution

17. Stresses that the consumer rights directive marked an important step forward in terms of increasing legal certainty for consumers and businesses in online transactions, and today constitutes the main consumer protection instrument for online services; calls upon the Member States to ensure its effective and rapid implementation;

## Amendment

17. Stresses that the consumer rights directive marked an important step forward in terms of increasing legal certainty for consumers and businesses in online transactions, and today constitutes the main consumer protection instrument for online services; calls upon the Member States to ensure its effective and rapid implementation; furthermore, calls on the Member States to decide whether - in the long run - they favour the full harmonisation of Single Market legislation or a second national regime; in the latter case, encourages the Member States to step up the necessary efforts to constructively bring forward dossiers such as the Common European Sales Law in a view to facilitate cross-border trade in the EU to benefit consumers and businesses alike:

Or. en

# Amendment 85 Emma McClarkin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17

## Motion for a resolution

17. Stresses that the consumer rights directive marked an important step forward in terms of increasing legal certainty for consumers and businesses in online transactions, and today constitutes the main

## Amendment

17. Stresses that the consumer rights directive marked an important step forward in terms of increasing legal certainty for consumers and businesses in online transactions, and today constitutes the main

consumer protection instrument for online services; calls upon the Member States to ensure its effective and rapid implementation; consumer protection instrument for online services; calls upon the Member States to ensure its effective and rapid implementation; calls for a good code of practice for online businesses and supports the proposals of modal contracts in this regard; implementation of the CRD would form an important part of model contracts while existing retail practices would also need to be respected;

Or. en

Amendment 86 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Calls upon the Commission and the Member States to develop and to give *more* resources to effective instruments such as the Consumer Protection Cooperation (CPC) network, in order to guarantee that online traders apply the European rules on transparency and unfair commercial practices, thus ensuring a high level of consumer protection;

## Amendment

18. Calls upon the Commission and the Member States to develop and to give *adequate* resources to effective instruments such as the Consumer Protection Cooperation (CPC) network, in order to guarantee that online traders apply the European rules on transparency and unfair commercial practices, thus ensuring a high level of consumer protection;

Or. en

Amendment 87 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Stresses the need for initiatives in the Member States to improve e-skills among the general public; notes the importance

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of equipping EU citizens with digital skills in order to help them to fully exploit the benefits of being online and participating in the digital society;

Or. en

Amendment 88 Ádám Kósa

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls on the Commission to include a consumer accessibility element in all Digital Single Market policies, in order to ensure that all citizens' groups have access to and can fully benefit from the Digital Single Market;

## Amendment

19. Calls on the Commission to include a consumer accessibility element in *terms of implementing a barrier-free environment and a full range of accessible services for people with disabilities in* all Digital Single Market policies, in order to ensure that all citizens' groups have access to and can fully benefit from the Digital Single Market;

Or. en

Amendment 89 Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses the need for initiatives in the Member States to improve e-skills among the general public;

## Amendment

20. Stresses the need for initiatives in the Member States to improve e-skills among the general public with particular attention being given to older people in order to promote the notion of active ageing;

# Amendment 90 Róża Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses the need for initiatives in the Member States to improve e-skills among the general public;

## Amendment

20. Stresses the need for initiatives in the Member States to improve e-skills among the general public, *especially among the elderly and the socially disadvantaged*;

Or. en

Amendment 91 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 21 – point 1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

(1) Stresses the importance of fomenting the creation of transparent and trustworthy price comparison websites which can be accessed in various languages, as a means of increasing consumer trust in cross-border trade;

Or. pt

Amendment 92 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Stresses the need to create a European Trustmark, which would guarantee that a business operating online fully respects EU law; it should be simple and well-

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22. Stresses the need to create a European Trustmark, which would guarantee that a business operating online fully respects EU law; it should be simple and well-

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structured, and should be filled with content that provides added value for ecommerce, thus boosting confidence and transparency, as well as legal certainty for both consumers and businesses by means of information; structured, and should be filled with content that provides added value for e-commerce, thus boosting confidence and transparency, as well as legal certainty for both consumers and businesses by means of information; furthermore, stresses the need for an integrated approach to improve consumer confidence when accessing legal cross-border online services;

Or. en

Amendment 93 Ádám Kósa

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Stresses the need to create a European Trustmark, which would guarantee that a business operating online fully respects EU law; it should be simple and well-structured, and should be filled with content that provides added value for ecommerce, thus boosting confidence and transparency, as well as legal certainty for both consumers and businesses by means of information;

#### Amendment

22. Stresses the need to create a European Trustmark, which would guarantee that a business operating online fully respects EU law; it should be simple and well-structured, and should be filled with content that provides added value for ecommerce, thus boosting confidence and transparency, as well as legal certainty for both consumers and businesses by means of information *in accordance with the existing, not legally binding W3C standards, in the interest of people with disabilities*;

Or. en

Amendment 94 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

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# Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption;

## Amendment

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption, as well as the need for these mechanisms to be made widely known to consumers and traders so that they can reach the desired level of practical effectiveness;

Or. pt

Amendment 95 Louis Grech

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption;

## Amendment

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption; recalls the importance of an effective redress mechanism as a means of ensuring that consumers can pursue their rights, while stressing that citizens should be better informed with details of such a mechanism and other problem-solving tools; this should enhance cross-border purchases of goods and services and work towards the removal of remaining bottlenecks which hamper growth and innovation particularly within the Digital Market and which currently hold the Single Market back from realising its full potential;

# Amendment 96 Emma McClarkin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption;

## Amendment

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption *to help resolve complaints and conflicts cross-border*;

Or. en

Amendment 97 Róża Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption;

#### Amendment

23. Welcomes the Commission's legislative proposals on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), and underlines the importance of their effective adoption; stresses that the existence of the online dispute resolution platform for domestic and cross-border e-commerce will increase consumers' trust in the Digital Single Market;

Or. en

Amendment 98 Christian Engström

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

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## Motion for a resolution

## Amendment

23a. Recalls its resolution of 2 February 2012 "Towards a coherent European Approach to Collective Redress"; calls on the Commission to propose legislation on a balanced EU wide coherent and coordinated approach to collective redress;

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Or. en

Amendment 99 Emma McClarkin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Welcomes greatly the new Commission communication entitled 'European Strategy for a Better Internet for Children', and encourages the Member States to promote the educational use of new technological developments;

## Amendment

24. Welcomes greatly the new Commission communication entitled 'European Strategy for a Better Internet for Children', and encourages the Member States to promote the educational use of new technological developments *for the protection of minors online*;

Or. en

Amendment 100 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Philippe Juvin, Lara Comi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- 24. Welcomes greatly the new Commission communication entitled 'European Strategy
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for a Better Internet for Children', and encourages the Member States to promote the educational use of new technological developments: for a Better Internet for Children', and encourages the *Commission*, Member States *and the industry* to promote the educational use of new technological developments *and to cooperate closely and efficiently in order to deliver a safe internet for children*;

Or. en

Amendment 101 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Philippe Juvin, Lara Comi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Urges stakeholders to commit to responsible advertising towards minors, in particular by refraining from aggressive and misleading TV and online advertising and by respecting and fully implementing existing codes of conduct and similar initiatives;

Or. en

Amendment 102 Rafał Trzaskowski

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Calls on the Commission to ensure that the rules on selective distribution are properly applied, in order to avoid abuses;

Amendment

25. Calls on the Commission to ensure that the rules on selective distribution are properly applied, in order to avoid abuses *and discrimination*;

Amendment 103 Christian Engström

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls on the Commission to propose legislation to ensure net neutrality;

Or. en

Amendment 104 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. Calls on the Commission and Member States to ensure free and fair competition online, by taking action against unfair B2B commercial practices, such as online restriction, price control and quotas;

Or. en

Amendment 105 António Fernando Correia de Campos

Motion for a resolution Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Setting up the basis for a more competitive Europe

Setting up the basis for a more competitive *and inclusive* Europe

Or. pt

# Amendment 106 Louis Grech

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

# Motion for a resolution

27. Calls on the Member States to strengthen and facilitate the development of information and communications infrastructures; *welcomes* the new 'Connecting Europe Facility' initiative, since it will be crucial for the effective implementation of the Digital Agenda for Europe targets set for 2020, promising broadband access for all;

## Amendment

27. Calls on the Member States to strengthen and facilitate the development of information and communications infrastructures since, while all Member States have a national broadband strategy, only a few have a fully fledged operational plan which includes the necessary set targets required to fully realise the flagship initiative for a digital agenda for Europe as laid out in the Europe 2020 strategy; welcomes the new 'Connecting Europe Facility' initiative, since it will be crucial for the effective implementation of the Digital Agenda for Europe targets set for 2020, promising broadband access for all:

Or. en

# Amendment 107 Emma McClarkin

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 27

## Motion for a resolution

27. Calls on the Member States to strengthen and facilitate the development of information and communications infrastructures; welcomes the new 'Connecting Europe Facility' initiative, since it will be crucial for the effective implementation of the Digital Agenda for Europe targets set for 2020, promising broadband access for all;

## Amendment

27. Calls on the Member States to strengthen and facilitate the development of information and communications infrastructures; welcomes the new 'Connecting Europe Facility' initiative, since it will be crucial for the effective implementation of the Digital Agenda for Europe targets set for 2020 promising broadband access for all *and the intermediate objective of every EU citizen having access to a basic internet* 

# connection by 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 108 Marielle Gallo, Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Welcomes the proposed regulation on electronic identification, *authentication* and *signature*;

## Amendment

29. Welcomes the proposed regulation on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market which will strengthen trust and convenience in a secure digital environment; stresses the importance of esignatures and mutual recognition of eIDs at the European level to ensure legal certainty for European consumers and businesses;

Or. en

Amendment 109 Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Philippe Juvin, Lara Comi

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Welcomes the proposed regulation on electronic identification, authentication and signature;

Amendment

29. Welcomes the proposed regulation on electronic identification, authentication and signature; underlines the importance of ensuring EU-wide interoperability, while at the same time ensuring the protection of personal data;

# Amendment 110 Pablo Arias Echeverría

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Stresses that all relevant new single market legislation should be submitted to a Digital Single Market Test;