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Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) 2021-2027: Boosting the Innovation Talent and Capacity of Europe

Proposal for a decision
(COM(2019)0330 – C9-0043/2019 – 2019/0152(COD))

Amendment 128

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Citation 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Having regard to the Agreement adopted at the 21st Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC (COP21) in Paris on 12 December 2015 (the Paris Agreement),

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments.

Amendment 129

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Citation 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Having regard to the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs),

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments.

Amendment 130

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Citation 3 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Having regard to the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on ‘The European Green Deal’ (COM(2019) 640 final),

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments.

Amendment 131

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Citation 3 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Having regard to the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the framework for achieving climate neutrality and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 (European Climate Law),

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments.

Amendment 132

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The SIA should ***define the priority fields and*** the long-term strategy for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology ('EIT') and include an assessment of its socio-economic impact and its capacity to generate best innovation added value. The SIA should take into account the results of the monitoring and evaluation of the EIT.

Amendment

(2) The SIA should ***set out*** the long-term strategy, ***objectives and priorities*** for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology ('EIT') and include an assessment of its socio-economic ***and socio-ecological*** impact and its capacity to generate best innovation added value ***in response to societal challenges, in particular as regards its contribution to reducing GHG emission to net-zero by 2040 at the latest which is linked to the European Green Deal, and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SGDs)***. The SIA should take into account the results of the monitoring and evaluation of the EIT.

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments

Amendment 133

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The SIA ***should*** define the priority fields and the long-term strategy for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology ('EIT') and include an assessment of its socio-economic impact and its capacity to generate best innovation

Amendment

(2) The SIA ***will*** define the priority fields and the long-term strategy for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology ('EIT') and include an assessment of its socio-economic impact and its capacity to generate best innovation

added value. The SIA *should* take into account the results of the monitoring and evaluation of the EIT.

added value. The SIA *will have to* take into account the results of the monitoring and evaluation of the EIT.

Or. en

Amendment 134

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) The SIA *should* include an analysis of potential and appropriate synergies and complementarities between EIT activities and other Union initiatives, instruments and programmes.

Amendment

(3) The SIA *will have to* include an analysis of potential and *increase* appropriate synergies and complementarities between EIT activities and other Union initiatives, instruments and programmes.

Or. en

Amendment 135

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Article 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 1 a

Objectives of the SIA

1. In accordance with Article 4 of the EIT Regulation, the SIA shall set out the long-term strategy, objectives and priorities for the EIT for the period from 2021 to 2027 and define its key actions, targeted results, expected socioeconomic and socio-ecological impact, including its impact on reducing GHG emissions to net-zero by 2040 at the latest which is linked with the political priorities under the European

Green Deal, and on achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as well as the resources needed for that period.

2. It shall ensure the consistency of the EIT with Horizon Europe.

3. It shall ensure synergies and complementarities with other relevant Union programmes, priorities and commitments.

Or. en

Justification

This amendment is necessary for pressing reasons relating to the internal logic of the text or because the amendments are inextricably linked to other admissible amendments.

Amendment 136

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

This Strategic Innovation Agenda (SIA) sets out the strategy and priorities for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) for the period 2021-2027. It **represents the main policy document of the EIT over the next programming period** and defines its objectives, key actions, expected results and resources needed. The SIA ensures the necessary alignment of the EIT with the [Horizon Europe proposal], which is the Union framework programme **supporting** research and innovation for the period 2021-2027. It also ensures appropriate synergies and complementarities between the EIT activities and other Union **initiatives**, policies **and** instruments.

Amendment

This Strategic Innovation Agenda (SIA) sets out the **long-term** strategy and priorities for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) for the period 2021-2027. It defines **the EIT's** objectives, key actions, expected results and **impact and** resources needed **over the next programming period**. The SIA ensures the necessary alignment of the EIT with the [Horizon Europe proposal], which is the Union framework programme **for** research and innovation for the period 2021-2027. It also ensures appropriate synergies and complementarities between the EIT activities and other Union **programmes**, policies, instruments **and** commitments.

Or. en

Amendment 137

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The SIA 2021-2027 is informed by the impact assessment carried out by the European Commission. It takes into account the draft SIA from the EIT Governing Board submitted to the European Commission on 20 December 2017, in accordance with the EIT Regulation²¹. It also reflects the new [Horizon Europe proposal] of the European Commission of June 2018 and, in particular, the key role of the EIT as part of the [Open Innovation] Pillar (Pillar III), and its contribution to addressing global challenges, ***including established targets for climate objectives***, and European industrial competitiveness (Pillar II) and to excellent science (Pillar I). The SIA builds on the lessons learnt over the last years of operation of the EIT and the results of a wide consultation process with key stakeholders.

²¹ Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 1). Amended by Regulation (EU) No 1292/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 (OJ L 347, 11.12.2013, p. 174).

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²¹ Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 1). Amended by Regulation (EU) No 1292/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 (OJ L 347, 11.12.2013, p. 174).

Or. en

Amendment 138

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The SIA 2021-2027 is informed by the impact assessment carried out by the European Commission. It takes into account the draft SIA from the EIT Governing Board submitted to the European Commission on 20 December 2017, in accordance with the EIT Regulation²¹. It also reflects the new [Horizon Europe proposal] of the European Commission of June 2018 and, in particular, the key role of the EIT as part of the [Open Innovation] Pillar (Pillar III), and its contribution to addressing global challenges, including established targets for climate objectives, and European industrial competitiveness (Pillar II) and to excellent science (Pillar I). The SIA builds on the lessons learnt over the last years of operation of the EIT and the results of a wide consultation process with key stakeholders.

²¹ Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 1). Amended by Regulation (EU) No 1292/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 (OJ L 347, 11.12.2013, p. 174).

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The SIA 2021-2027 is informed by the impact assessment carried out by the European Commission. It takes into account the draft SIA from the EIT Governing Board submitted to the European Commission on 20 December 2017, in accordance with the EIT Regulation²¹. It also reflects the new [Horizon Europe proposal] of the European Commission of June 2018 and, in particular, the key role of the EIT as part of the [Open Innovation] Pillar (Pillar III), and its contribution to addressing global **and societal** challenges, including established targets for climate objectives, and European industrial competitiveness (Pillar II) and to excellent science (Pillar I). The SIA builds on the lessons learnt over the last years of operation of the EIT and the results of a wide consultation process with key stakeholders.

²¹ Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 1). Amended by Regulation (EU) No 1292/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 (OJ L 347, 11.12.2013, p. 174).

Or. en

Amendment 139

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The SIA takes into account the Strategic Planning of Horizon Europe to ensure alignment with the Framework Programme activities, with other relevant Union programmes and consistency with EU priorities and commitments **and increase** complementarity and synergies with national and regional funding programmes and priorities.

Amendment

The SIA takes into account the Strategic Planning of Horizon Europe to ensure alignment with the Framework Programme activities, **as well as synergies and complementarity** with other relevant Union programmes and consistency with EU priorities and commitments, **in particular the European Green Deal. It also aims at increasing** complementarity and synergies with national and regional funding programmes and priorities.

Or. en

Amendment 140

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT was established in 2008 in order to contribute to sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of the Member States and the European Union. It pioneered the integration of education, **business and** research (knowledge triangle) together with a strong emphasis on entrepreneurial talent and innovation skills. The mid-term evaluation of the EIT in **2018** confirmed that the overarching rationale of the EIT remains valid and the model of innovation-driven knowledge triangle integration remains relevant.

Amendment

The EIT was established in 2008 in order to contribute to sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of the Member States and the European Union. It pioneered the integration of **higher** education, **research and innovation**, research (knowledge triangle) together with a strong emphasis on entrepreneurial talent and innovation skills. **Since its creation, the EIT has gradually established itself as a successful instrument to address societal challenges through the integration of the knowledge triangle and the creation of Europe-wide innovation ecosystems.** The mid-term evaluation of the EIT in **2017** confirmed

that the overarching rationale of the EIT remains valid and the model of innovation-driven knowledge triangle integration remains relevant.

Or. en

Amendment 141

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT was established in 2008 in order to contribute to sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of the Member States and the European Union. It pioneered the integration of education, business *and* research (knowledge triangle) together with a strong emphasis on entrepreneurial talent and innovation skills. The mid-term evaluation of the EIT in 2018 confirmed that the overarching rationale of the EIT remains valid and the model of innovation-driven knowledge triangle integration remains relevant.

Amendment

The EIT was established in 2008 in order to contribute to sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of the Member States and the European Union. It pioneered the integration of *higher* education, business, research *and innovation* (knowledge triangle) together with a strong emphasis on entrepreneurial talent and innovation skills. The mid-term evaluation of the EIT in 2018 confirmed that the overarching rationale of the EIT remains valid and the model of innovation-driven knowledge triangle integration remains relevant.

Or. en

Amendment 142

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

A decade after EIT's establishment, the

Amendment

A decade after *the* EIT's establishment, the

pace of innovation has accelerated dramatically. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities. With a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, business **and research** have never been as important as today to contribute to address global challenges related to climate change **and** unsustainable use **on** natural **resources**, digital transformation, demographic shifts or the future of healthcare and food.

pace of innovation has accelerated dramatically. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities. With **the increasing impacts of climate change**, a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, **research, public and third-sector organisations** have never been as important as today to contribute to address global challenges related to climate change, **biodiversity loss and the transition to a net-zero GHG emission economy**, digital **and social** transformation, demographic shifts or the future of healthcare and food.

Or. en

Amendment 143 **Ignazio Corrao**

Proposal for a decision **Annex I – point 1 – point 1.1 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

A decade after EIT's establishment, the pace of innovation has accelerated dramatically. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities. With a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, business and research have never been as important as today to contribute to address global challenges related to climate change

Amendment

A decade after EIT's establishment, the pace of innovation has accelerated dramatically. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors **and society as a whole**, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities **as well as new challenges**. With a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, business and research have never been as important as today to contribute to address

and unsustainable use on natural resources, digital transformation, demographic shifts or the future of healthcare and food.

global challenges related to climate change and unsustainable use on natural resources, digital transformation, demographic shifts or the future of healthcare, ***including the spread of pandemics***, and food.

Or. en

Justification

The spread of pandemics and how to counter them will surely be a global challenge in the future.

Amendment 144

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

A decade after EIT's establishment, the pace of innovation has accelerated ***dramatically***. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities. With a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, business and research have never been as important as today to contribute to address global challenges related to ***climate change and unsustainable use on natural resources***, digital transformation, demographic shifts ***or the future of healthcare and food***.

Amendment

A decade after EIT's establishment, the pace of innovation has accelerated. Innovation is reshaping economic sectors, disrupting existing businesses and creating unprecedented opportunities. With a shifting global economic order and international competition on the rise, the EU's dependence on talent and its capacity to innovate is growing. Co-design, collaboration and co-creation across disciplines and between education, business and research have never been as important as today to contribute to address global challenges related to ***healthcare, food***, digital transformation ***and demographic shifts as well as new economic and industrial strategies***.

Or. en

Amendment 145

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as a **successful** instrument addressing societal challenges. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2).

Amendment

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as a **unique** instrument addressing societal challenges **through the integration of the knowledge triangle**. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2). ***The EIT and the KICs' objectives shall always be coherent with the most relevant Union policies, such as the industrial strategy, the green deal and the economic recovery plan, and they should contribute to their implementation.***

Or. en

Amendment 146
Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as a successful instrument addressing societal challenges. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following

Amendment

The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are ***in accordance with Horizon Europe Regulation*** large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation,

areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (*see Figure 2*).

energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing.

Or. en

Amendment 147

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as a successful instrument addressing societal challenges. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2).

Amendment

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as a successful instrument addressing societal challenges. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between **higher** education and training **institutions**, business and research **and innovation** organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2).

Or. en

Amendment 148

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Since its set up, the EIT has established itself gradually as **a successful** instrument addressing societal challenges. The EIT operates mainly through Knowledge and

Amendment

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Innovation Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2).

Communities (KICs), which are large-scale European partnerships between education and training, business and research organisations. There are currently eight KICs that operate in the following areas: climate change, digital transformation, energy, food, health, raw materials, urban mobility and added-value manufacturing (see Figure 2).

Or. en

Amendment 149
Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Each KIC is organised around five to ten of co-location centres (CLCs²²) which are intended to act as geographical hubs for the practical integration of the knowledge triangle. They are organised and structured according to their respective national and regional innovation context and build on a pan-European network of existing labs, offices or campuses of a KICs' core partners.

²² A 'Co-location centre' is a geographical area where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

Amendment

Each KIC is organised around five to ten of co-location centres (CLCs²²) which are intended to act as geographical hubs for the practical integration of the knowledge triangle. They are organised and structured according to their respective national and regional innovation context and build on a pan-European network of existing labs, offices or campuses of a KICs' core partners. ***Nevertheless, it is necessary to guarantee a fairer distribution among KIC partners of the EIT's financial contribution by avoiding any geographical concentration in the allocation of funds.***

²² A 'Co-location centre' is a geographical area where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

Or. en

Amendment 150

Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Each KIC is organised around five to ten of co-location centres (CLCs²²) which are intended to act as geographical hubs for the practical integration of the knowledge triangle. They are organised and structured according to their respective national and regional innovation context and build **on** a pan-European network of existing **labs, offices or campuses of a KICs'** core partners.

²² A 'Co-location centre' is a geographical area where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

Amendment

Each KIC is organised around five to ten of co-location centres (CLCs²²) which are intended to act as geographical hubs **that also provide a physical as well as a virtual space for interaction within the local innovation ecosystem and** for the practical integration of the knowledge triangle. They are organised and structured according to their respective national and regional innovation context and build **around** a pan-European network of existing **infrastructures and activities of a KIC's knowledge triangle** core partners.

²² A 'Co-location centre' is a geographical area where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

Or. en

Amendment 151
Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Each KIC is organised around five to ten **of** co-location centres (CLCs²²) which are intended to act as **geographical** hubs for the practical integration of the knowledge triangle. They are organised and structured according to their respective national and

regional innovation context and build on a pan-European network of existing labs, offices or campuses of a KICs' core partners.

regional innovation context and build on a pan-European network of existing labs, offices or campuses of a KICs' core partners.

²² A 'Co-location centre' *is* a geographical area where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

²² A 'Co-location centre' *means a physical space, established in an open and transparent manner and covering* a geographical area, where the main KICs knowledge triangle partners are based and can easily interact, providing the focal point for the KICs' activity in that area.

Or. en

Justification

The definition of the CIC has been adapted to be consistent with the definition included in the Regulation.

Amendment 152

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— Education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level;

Amendment

— Education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level *and the development of entrepreneurship and digital skills programmes and activities aiming to re-skill and up-skill human resources in a lifelong learning perspective. Special attention must be dedicated to the quality of the projects and special monitoring has to be dedicated to gender issues with particular focus on the areas where women remain underrepresented.*

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by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

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Or. en

Amendment 153

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— Education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level;

²³ The EIT Label is a quality seal awarded by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

Amendment

— **Higher** education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level; **and through the development of digital skills programmes and activities aiming to re-skill and up-skill human resources in a lifelong learning perspective; paying special attention to gender issues, especially in areas where women remain underrepresented such as ICT, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.**

²³ The EIT Label is a quality seal awarded by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

Or. en

Amendment 154

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— Education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, ***including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level;***

Amendment

— Education and training activities ***within the knowledge triangle*** with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents;

²³ The EIT Label is a quality seal awarded by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

Or. en

Justification

It is important that all KIC activities are based on the integration of all three components of the knowledge triangle, i.e. education, innovation and business creation, as this is the most effective to advance the goals of the EIT and the KICs as a whole. The pursue of activities which are conceived only in an education context, in order to improve the European education system, lays outside the mission of the EIT and its KICs.

Amendment 155

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— Education and training activities with strong entrepreneurship components to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded the EIT Label²³, in

Amendment

— Education and training activities with strong ***innovation and up-skill and*** entrepreneurship components ***to re-skill,*** to train the next generation of talents, including the design and implementation of programmes awarded

particular at master and doctoral level;

the EIT Label²³, in particular at master and doctoral level;

²³ The EIT Label is a quality seal awarded by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

²³ The EIT Label is a quality seal awarded by the EIT to a KIC's educational programme which complies with specific quality criteria related inter alia to entrepreneurial education and innovative 'learning-by-doing' curricula.

Or. en

Amendment 156

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

— Activities supporting innovation to develop innovative, products, processes and services that address a specific business opportunity;

Amendment

— Activities supporting **research and innovation** to develop innovative **and sustainable**, products, processes, **technologies** and services **and non-technological solutions** that address a specific business opportunity **with an economic or social objective**;

Or. en

Amendment 157

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

— Activities supporting innovation to develop innovative, products, processes and services that address a specific

Amendment

— Activities supporting **research and innovation** to develop innovative, products, processes and services that address a

business opportunity;

specific business opportunity, *on the basis of excellence*;

Or. en

Amendment 158

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

— Business creation and support activities, such as accelerator schemes to help entrepreneurs translate their ideas into successful ventures and speed up the growth process.

Amendment

— Business creation and support activities, such as accelerator schemes to help entrepreneurs translate their ideas into successful ventures and speed up the growth process. ***More attention must be dedicated to research activities that must form an integral part of the Business Plan of existing and new KICs with the aim to develop a tighter and profitable relationship with Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs).***

Or. en

Amendment 159

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

— Business creation and support activities, such as accelerator schemes to help entrepreneurs translate their ideas into successful ventures and speed up the ***growth*** process.

Amendment

— Business creation and support activities, such as accelerator schemes to help entrepreneurs translate their ideas into successful ventures and speed up the ***development*** process.

Or. en

Amendment 160

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Nevertheless, all current and future KICs shall use best efforts to dedicate more attention to research embedded in the knowledge triangle contributing together with education and innovation to entrepreneurial development and an innovation ecosystem.

Or. en

Amendment 161

Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Special attention shall be dedicated to ensuring gender balance and to gender-sensitive approaches, especially in areas where women are still under represented.

Or. en

Amendment 162

Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

All existing and future KICs shall ensure a balance between the three sides of the knowledge triangle, in order to preserve the unique feature of the KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 163

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Education and training, talent and skills development are at the core of the EIT model. No other EU action on innovation includes higher education in the innovation value chain to the extent the EIT does. The EIT's education agenda is key for developing highly entrepreneurial and skilled innovators. ***By 2017, more than 1700 graduates have successfully completed an EIT-labelled master and/or doctoral programme, and thousands have participated in entrepreneurial and innovative education activities and formats.***

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Or. en

Amendment 164

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The focus on global challenges through the integration of the knowledge triangle

Amendment

The focus on global ***and societal*** challenges through the integration of the

distinguishes the EIT from other innovation instruments. By providing a grant for up to 15 years to KICs, the EIT is delivering on its long-term objective of tackling global challenges through innovative products and services and bringing concrete benefits to our society and citizens. The EIT also has set the objective **to** the KICs to become financially sustainable after 15 years, which is a unique feature that leads to a business and result oriented innovation instrument. In this context, KICs have to develop and implement revenue-creating strategies in order to maintain their innovation ecosystem beyond the period covered by the grant agreement.

knowledge triangle distinguishes the EIT from other innovation instruments. By providing a grant for up to 15 years to KICs, the EIT is delivering on its long-term objective of tackling global **and societal** challenges through innovative products and services, **thus enhancing Europe's quality of life** and bringing concrete benefits to our society and citizens. The EIT also has set the objective **for** the KICs to become financially sustainable after 15 years **at the latest**, which is a unique feature that leads to a business and result oriented innovation instrument. In this context, KICs have to develop and implement revenue-creating strategies in order to maintain their innovation ecosystem beyond the period covered by the grant agreement. **The innovation and close-to-market activities of the KICs should be financially sustainable at the earliest possible date. However, higher education, training and horizontally-structured activities of KICs should have the possibility to continue receiving EIT funding after 15 years, following a positive and thorough evaluation by independent experts.**

Or. en

Amendment 165

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The focus on global challenges through the integration of the knowledge triangle distinguishes the EIT from other innovation instruments. By providing a grant for up to 15 years to KICs, the EIT is **delivering on its long-term objective of tackling** global challenges through

Amendment

The focus on global challenges through the integration of the knowledge triangle distinguishes the EIT from other innovation instruments. By providing a grant for up to 15 years to KICs **under a long-term framework partnership agreement**, the EIT is **providing long-term**

innovative products **and** services and bringing concrete benefits to our society and citizens. The EIT also has set the objective to the KICs to become financially sustainable after 15 years, which is a unique feature **that leads** to a business and **result** oriented innovation instrument. In this context, KICs **have to** develop and implement revenue-creating strategies in order to maintain their innovation ecosystem beyond the **period covered by the grant agreement**.

stability to the KICs and their beneficiaries allowing them to address global challenges through innovative **and sustainable** products, **processes**, services **and solutions** and bringing concrete benefits to our society and citizens. The EIT also has set the objective to the KICs to become financially sustainable after 15 years, which is a unique feature **should lead** to a business and **impact** oriented innovation instrument. In this context, KICs **shall** develop and implement revenue-creating strategies in **close cooperation with the EIT, in** order to **achieve financial independence and** maintain their innovation ecosystem beyond the **long-term framework partnership agreements with the EIT**.

Or. en

Amendment 166

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations **to happen**, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Amendment

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations, **in order** to effectively address market failures and help transform industries, **support the creation of SMEs and start-ups and foster a sustainable systemic change of our economy and society towards the reduction of GHG emissions to net-zero**. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global **societal** challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Or. en

Amendment 167

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Amendment

The EIT approach ***help build resilience, increase sustainability and*** contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries ***and support the creation of start-ups, spin-offs and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)***. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Or. en

Amendment 168

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Amendment

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive. ***It also favours the support and creation of start-ups and SMEs.***

Amendment 169**Lina Gálvez Muñoz**

on behalf of the S&D Group

Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 9***Text proposed by the Commission*

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Amendment

The EIT approach contributes to both incremental and disruptive innovations to happen, to effectively address market failures and help transform industries **and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)**. It enables the creation of long-term business strategies for addressing global **and societal** challenges and helps creating the framework conditions that are essential for a well-functioning innovation ecosystem to grow and innovation to thrive.

Amendment 170**Lina Gálvez Muñoz**

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 10***Text proposed by the Commission*

The EIT offers an efficient and effective platform for launching, scaling up and managing KICs with strong network effects and positive spill-overs (see Figure 2 below). The first wave of KICs (EIT Digital, EIT Climate-KIC and EIT InnoEnergy), launched in 2009, is established and mature and after 2024 their framework partnership agreements **will** be

Amendment

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terminated, in line with the maximum grant duration. A second and third generation of KICs (EIT Health and EIT Raw Materials (2014), EIT Food (2016)) is maturing. EIT Urban Mobility and EIT Manufacturing, the two KICs designated in December 2018, are starting their operations in 2019.

be terminated, in line with the maximum grant duration. **However, a possible extension of the Framework Partnership Agreement may be decided by the EIT Governing Board, after a thorough and positive evaluation by independent experts. That extension shall not exceed three years.** A second and third generation of KICs (EIT Health and EIT Raw Materials (2014), EIT Food (2016)) is maturing. EIT Urban Mobility and EIT Manufacturing, the two KICs designated in December 2018, are starting their operations in 2019.

Or. en

Amendment 171

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT offers an efficient and effective platform for launching, scaling up and managing KICs with strong network effects and positive spill-overs (see Figure 2 below). The first wave of KICs (EIT Digital, EIT Climate-KIC and EIT InnoEnergy), launched in 2009, is established and mature and after 2024 their framework partnership agreements will be terminated, **in line with the maximum grant duration**. A second and third generation of KICs (EIT Health and EIT Raw Materials (2014), EIT Food (2016)) is maturing. EIT Urban Mobility and EIT Manufacturing, the two KICs designated in December 2018, are starting their operations in 2019.

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Or. en

Amendment 172

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 173

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 13

Text proposed by the Commission

Through its eight KICs with more than 1000 partners from business, research and education, the EIT represents the largest EU-supported innovation ecosystem. The EIT has supported more than 1200 start-ups and innovative ventures, leading to over EUR 890 million in external funding attracted by those companies and more than 6000 jobs created by the supported start-ups. More than 50% of KIC partners are from the business sector (industry,

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SMEs and start-ups) demonstrating the proximity to the market. ***The increase in number of partners in each KIC shows the attractiveness and long-term potential of the EIT model.*** By 2019, there are more than 600 businesses, 250 HEIs, 200 research organisations, and more than 50 civil society organisations and authorities participating in EIT KICs.

SMEs and start-ups) demonstrating the proximity to the market. By 2019, there are more than 600 businesses, 250 HEIs, 200 research organisations, and more than 50 civil society organisations and authorities participating in EIT KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 174

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 14

Text proposed by the Commission

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has ***expanded*** its activities across Europe and ***offers now*** opportunities for regions with ***low innovation*** performance to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the ***a KIC*** community. ***This is also reflected in the share of EIT funding allocated to EU-13 partners (8.3% as compared to 4.8% in Horizon 2020 as of 2018).***

Amendment

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries ***and regions***. Through the RIS, the EIT has ***to further expand*** its activities across Europe and ***offer*** opportunities for ***countries and*** regions with ***lower R&I*** performance to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the ***EIT*** community, ***including the potential establishment of new CLCs in modest and moderate innovator regions and countries. The KICs shall seek to work closely with managing authorities in all regions in order to encourage a broader use of and complementarity with the Union's ESI funds for R&I.***

Or. en

Amendment 175

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen

Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 14

Text proposed by the Commission

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has **expanded** its activities across Europe **and offers now** opportunities for **regions with low innovation performance** to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the **a KIC** community. **This is also reflected in the share of EIT funding allocated to EU-13 partners (8.3% as compared to 4.8% in Horizon 2020 as of 2018).**

Amendment

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has **to further expand** its activities across Europe. **The RIS must be dedicated to offering new opportunities for low R&I performing countries (as defined by the Horizon Europe programme) and Modest and Moderate Innovator countries (according to European Innovation Scoreboard)** to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the **EIT** community. **The RIS must also be used to establish new CLCs in those countries.**

Or. en

Justification

The scope of the countries that RIS is aimed at should be clarified. Reference to the specific norms of Horizon Europe and to the annual results of the European Innovation Scoreboard achieves that and links EIT SIA to relevant policy documents.

Amendment 176

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 14

Text proposed by the Commission

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has **expanded** its activities across Europe **and**

Amendment

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offers now opportunities for regions with low innovation performance to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the a KIC community. This is also reflected in the share of EIT funding allocated to EU-13 partners (8.3% as compared to 4.8% in Horizon 2020 as of 2018).

activities across Europe *with the aim to offer new opportunities to* regions with low innovation performance *and* to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the *EIT* community.

Or. en

Amendment 177

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 14

Text proposed by the Commission

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has expanded its activities across Europe and offers now opportunities for regions *with low* innovation performance to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the *a KIC* community. *This is also reflected in the share of EIT funding allocated to EU-13 partners (8.3% as compared to 4.8% in Horizon 2020 as of 2018).*

Amendment

In the backdrop of persisting regional disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator *regions and* countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has expanded its activities across Europe and offers now opportunities for regions *and countries with modest and moderate* innovation performance *according to the European innovation scoreboard* to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of the *EIT* community.

Or. en

Amendment 178

Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 14

Text proposed by the Commission

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disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has **expanded** its activities across Europe and **offers** now opportunities for regions **with low** innovation performance to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of **the** a KIC community. **This is also reflected in the share of EIT funding allocated to EU-13 partners (8.3% as compared to 4.8% in Horizon 2020 as of 2018).**

disparities in innovation performance, the EIT launched a Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS) in 2014 to widen its regional outreach to modest and moderate innovator countries. Through the RIS, the EIT has **to further expand** its activities across Europe and **offer** now opportunities for regions **in countries with modest and moderate** innovation performance **as defined by the European Innovation Scoreboard (EIS) and the Regional Innovation Scoreboard** to engage in knowledge triangle activities as part of a KIC community.

Or. en

Justification

It is important to use the European Innovation Scoreboard and Regional Innovation scoreboard as these are official EU tools to define regions and countries underperforming in research and innovation

Amendment 179

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 17

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

Amendment

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators. ***The EIT and its KICs shall as much as possible operate under the Horizon Europe model grant agreement and shall apply the derogations from the Horizon Europe rules laid down***

in the Regulation [EIT Regulation] only when required to meet their objectives and when duly justified and subject to a delegated act.

Or. en

Amendment 180

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 17

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

Amendment

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

The EIT and its KICs shall operate as much as possible under the Horizon Europe model grant agreement. Given the specificities of the EIT-KIC model, derogations from Horizon Europe's rules for participation and dissemination are laid down in the EIT Regulation Article 8.

Or. en

Amendment 181

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 17

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

Amendment

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators. ***The EIT and all the KICs, new and existing, shall operate and follow the Horizon Europe model grand agreement in order to simplify and reduce the administrative costs for beneficiaries.***

Or. en

Amendment 182

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Marisa Matias, Susana Solís Pérez, Ivars Ijabs, Klaus Buchner, Robert Roos

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.2 – paragraph 17

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

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The EIT has been able to stay agile and to develop the governance principles and rules for the successful management of its KICs under the overall umbrella of Horizon 2020, in accordance with the EIT Regulation. Its operational independence has allowed it to test and effectively implement a number of novelties in the management of its beneficiaries such as a competitive funding mechanism, ***which shall become the standard funding regime***, financial sustainability targets and specific key performance indicators.

Amendment 183

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Mauri Pekkarinen, Fredrick Federley, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pișlaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision**Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

Amendment

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives. ***The EIT and its KICs shall as much as possible operate under the Horizon Europe model grant agreement. Derogations from the Horizon Europe rules laid down in the Regulation... [EIT Regulation] shall be limited and duly justified only by the objectives of the EIT and its KICs.***

Or. en

Justification

Emphasize that derogations from the Horizon Europe grant model agreement should indeed be exception rather than a norm.

Amendment 184

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group
Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular **three** challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

Amendment

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global **and societal** challenges, including **climate change and** the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union **for which all talent available will be needed. Therefore, actively encouraging the participation of women becomes necessary.** There are in particular **four** challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 185

Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, **economic/technological and** societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic

Amendment

The EIT is **an integral** part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, **economic/technological and** societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver

policy priorities, foster *its* competitiveness in all Member States, *including in its industry*, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster *sustainability and* competitiveness in all Member States and contribute to tackling *societal* global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals *and the EU's commitment under the Paris Agreement*. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 186

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

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Or. en

Amendment 187

Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT is part of the overall Horizon Europe framework that aims, inter alia, to deliver scientific, economic/technological and societal impact so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union; deliver on the Union strategic policy priorities, foster its competitiveness in all Member States, including in its industry, and contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals. A core condition for being successful in this endeavor is to respond to the persisting need to increase innovation capacity across the Union. There are in particular three challenges the EU faces that will guide EIT's actions in 2021-2027 as reflected by its general objectives.

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Or. en

Amendment 188

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The unstable situation linked with the spread of COVID-19 has a major impact on the economy and therefore it is important to identify challenging effects on universities, researchers, companies and other stakeholders in order to safeguard the knowledge triangle and rebuild the trust and confidence between all actors.

There will also be longer term effects on our society and economy, which will be discovered in the coming years. Potentially it may lead to more redundancy in supply chains, an effort to re-industrialize Europe, the re-shoring of strategic production and increased digitalization.

Between COVID-19 crisis and the new normal is expected a period of economic distress. It is necessary to create a crisis programme for EIT for the first two years 2021-2022 with a revision clause to either prolonge the crisis programme or present a new proposal on SIA for the postcrisis world. The EIT Governing Board will be empowered to implement these crisis measures in this emergency situation caused by “la force majeure”.

The key challenges for the period 2021-2022 are

- 1) to protect the current innovation ecosystem based on the existing knowledge triangle with additional flexibility to the existing KICs;*
- 2) to show flexibility in order to prepare economies for the new postvirus normal;*
- 3) to cut all non-essential tasks of the EIT and focus all financial means on stabilizing the existing KICs.*

An additional cross-cutting challenge for the EIT is to create a dynamic network of innovation where EIT will support KICs to become financially sustainable and responsibly independent bodies. It's critical to cut the administrative demands from the EIT to the existing KICs to a minimum.

Or. en

Amendment 189
Robert Roos
on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

First, today's economies are increasingly driven by the skills and abilities of people and organisations to turn ideas into products and services. Innovation skills and an entrepreneurial culture make all the difference today, in particular in the technological and scientific domains but increasingly also in other disciplines. There is a strong need to further boost the innovation capacity of higher education institutions in Europe. The EIT is in a unique position to deliver on this in the Horizon Europe framework.

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Or. en

Amendment 190

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

First, today's economies are increasingly driven by the skills and abilities of people and organisations to turn ideas into products *and* services. Innovation skills *and an* entrepreneurial culture make all the difference *today*, in particular in the technological and scientific domains but *increasingly* also in other disciplines. There is a strong need to further boost *the innovation capacity of higher education institutions in Europe*. The EIT is in a unique position to deliver on this in the Horizon Europe framework.

Amendment

First, today's *societies and* economies are increasingly driven by the skills and abilities of people and organisations to turn ideas into *novel* products, *processes, business models, services and to achieve societal, respectively systemic change. Increased investments in education and R&I*, innovation skills, entrepreneurial culture make all the difference, in particular in the technological and scientific domains but also in other disciplines, *such as social science and humanities*. There is a strong need to further boost *collaboration across disciplines and to ensure regular interdisciplinary learning loops between education, business and research, if the*

Union wants to succeed in its transition towards a resilient, digital and net-zero GHG emission society. Endowed with the necessary financial and human resources, the EIT is in a unique position to deliver on this in the Horizon Europe framework.

Or. en

Amendment 191

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

First, today's economies are increasingly driven by the skills and abilities of people and organisations to turn ideas into products and services. Innovation skills and an entrepreneurial culture make all the difference today, *in particular* in the technological and scientific domains but *increasingly* also in other disciplines. There is a strong need to further boost the innovation capacity of higher education institutions in Europe. The EIT is in a unique position to deliver on this in the Horizon Europe framework.

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First, today's economies are increasingly driven by the skills and abilities of people and organisations to turn ideas into products and services. Innovation skills and an entrepreneurial culture make all the difference today, *if the Union wants to succeed in its transition towards a competitive digital, decarbonised and inclusive society and excel* in the technological and scientific domains but also in other disciplines. There is a strong need to further boost the innovation capacity of higher education institutions in Europe. The EIT is in a unique position to deliver on this in the Horizon Europe framework.

Or. en

Amendment 192

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Second, physical proximity is a key enabling factor for innovation. Initiatives aiming at developing innovation networks and providing services that support the creation, sharing and transfer of knowledge, play a key role in fostering the interactions between business, academia, research organisations, governments and individuals. Still, research and innovation performances across the EU, as reflected in the annual European Innovation Scoreboard, vary considerably. It is of crucial importance that innovation is inclusive and rooted in the local territories. EIT activities, thanks to their “place-based” approach, are well suited to contribute to strengthening local innovation ecosystems.

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Or. en

Amendment 193

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 194

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 195

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 196

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Fredrick Federley, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoş Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Justification

Link the EIT SIA to Horizon Europe.

Amendment 197

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 198

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Third, talent circulation and R&I funding resources within the European Research and Education Areas are very unbalanced. As pockets of excellence exist everywhere in the Union, the EIT shall adopt measures to extend its geographical coverage in the Union, reduce the unbalanced brain circulation within the Union and promote the bi-directional talent circulation of students, researchers and innovators.

Or. en

Amendment 199
Robert Roos
on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Finally, vibrant innovation ecosystems require a mix of knowledge, infrastructure and talent. Framework conditions for cooperation between European research, education and innovation along with strong synergies need to be in place to ensure proper and efficient investment of scarce resources into research and innovation. Deepening the knowledge triangle integration through existing and new KICs is a proven way to foster an environment conducive to innovation and is a guiding objective for the EIT.

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Or. en

Amendment 200

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 1 – point 1.3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Finally, vibrant innovation ecosystems require a mix of knowledge, infrastructure **and** talent. Framework conditions for cooperation between European research, education and **innovation** along with strong synergies need to be in place to ensure proper and efficient investment of scarce resources into research and innovation. Deepening the knowledge triangle integration through existing and new KICs **is a proven way** to foster an environment conducive to innovation and is a guiding objective for the EIT.

Amendment

Finally, vibrant innovation ecosystems, **including those developing social and systemic innovation**, require a mix of knowledge, infrastructure, talent **and adequate financial resources**. Framework conditions for cooperation between European research, education and **entrepreneurship** along with strong synergies need to be in place to ensure proper and efficient investment of scarce resources into research and innovation. Deepening the knowledge triangle integration through existing and new KICs, **reaching out and integrating new partners in other sectors, including third-sector organisations and public institutions, particularly at local and regional level, ar** proven **ways** to foster an environment conducive to innovation and is a guiding objective for the EIT.

Or. en

Amendment 201

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

2. **Raising the bar: the EIT in 2021-2027**

Amendment

2. **Protecting the current ecosystem based on the knowledge triangle**

Or. en

Amendment 202

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The EIT as an integral part of the Horizon Europe programme will contribute delivering on its overarching objectives and priorities. The KICs will be part of the Institutionalised European Partnerships, meaning they will follow a set of principles and life-cycle criteria to ensure a more coherent, open and impact-driven approach. The EIT general objectives therefore reflect the overall role of the EIT in Horizon Europe and its place in the [Innovative Europe Pillar].

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Or. en

Amendment 203

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Pillar]. *Therefore it shall work closely with other implementing bodies of the Innovative Europe Pillar of Horizon Europe and use best efforts to contribute to a "one-stop-shop for innovation".*

Or. en

Amendment 204

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT as an integral part of the Horizon Europe programme will contribute delivering on its overarching objectives and priorities. The KICs *will be part of the* Institutionalised European Partnerships, meaning they will follow a set of principles and life-cycle criteria to ensure a more coherent, open and impact-driven approach. The EIT general objectives therefore reflect the overall role of the EIT in Horizon Europe and its place in the [Innovative Europe Pillar].

Amendment

The EIT as an integral part of the Horizon Europe programme will contribute delivering on its overarching objectives and priorities. *Within Horizon Europe*, the KICs *are considered* Institutionalised European Partnerships, meaning they will follow a set of principles and life-cycle criteria to ensure a more coherent, open and impact-driven approach. The EIT general objectives therefore reflect the overall role of the EIT in Horizon Europe and its place in the [Innovative Europe Pillar].

Or. en

Amendment 205

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The overarching areas of intervention for the EIT are defined in *the* [Horizon Europe

Amendment

The overarching areas of intervention for the EIT are defined in *Annexes I and Ia to*

proposal]. The EIT will continue to support its Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) in order to strengthen the innovation ecosystems that help to tackle global challenges. It will do so by fostering the integration of education, research and **business**, thereby creating environments conducive to innovation, and by promoting and supporting a new generation of entrepreneurs and stimulating the creation of innovative companies in close synergy and complementarity with the EIC. In doing so it **will** in particular:

Regulation [xxx] establishing Horizon Europe. The EIT will continue to support its Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) in order to strengthen the innovation ecosystems that help to tackle global **and societal** challenges. It will do so by fostering the integration of education, research and **entrepreneurship**, thereby creating environments conducive to innovation, and by promoting and supporting a new generation of entrepreneurs, **in particular tackling also the entrepreneurial gender gap**, and stimulating the creation of innovative companies in close synergy and complementarity with the EIC. In doing so it **shall** in particular:

Or. en

Amendment 206

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The overarching areas of intervention for the EIT are defined in the [Horizon Europe proposal]. The EIT will continue to support its Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) in order to strengthen the innovation ecosystems that help to tackle global challenges. It will do so by fostering the integration of education, research and business, thereby creating environments conducive to innovation, and by promoting and supporting a new generation of entrepreneurs and stimulating the creation of innovative companies in close synergy and complementarity with the EIC. In doing so it will in particular:

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Or. en

Amendment 207

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 208

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) Strengthen sustainable innovation ecosystems across Europe;

Amendment

(1) Strengthen sustainable innovation ecosystems across Europe ***taking into account regional imbalances***;

Or. en

Amendment 209

Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Foster innovation and *entrepreneurship* through better education;

Amendment

(2) Foster *the development of* innovation and *entrepreneurial skills* through better *and more inclusive* education, *supporting a cross-border exchange programme in the EU, and mentoring, in a lifelong learning perspective; including increasing capacities of higher education institutions across the Union and to support their entrepreneurial transformation;*

Or. en

Amendment 210
Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Foster innovation and entrepreneurship through *better* education;

Amendment

(2) Foster innovation and entrepreneurship *skills* through *high quality* education *mentoring, and from a lifelong learning perspective;*

Or. en

Amendment 211
Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) Bring new solutions to global challenges to market.

Amendment

(3) Bring new solutions to global ***and societal*** challenges to market ***or facilitate other forms of sustainable social uptake.***

Or. en

Amendment 212

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) Bring new solutions to global challenges to market.

Amendment

(3) Bring new solutions ***and products*** to global ***and societal*** challenges to market.

Or. en

Amendment 213

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 – point 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3 a) Reduce the gender gap in technical and entrepreneurial education and promote gender sensitive approaches in innovation in all Member States.

Or. en

Amendment 214

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The KICs shall identify the SMEs and startups that need liquidity support and offer that support for an identified period of time in order to secure their survival. KICs should familiarize themselves with the different national support measures, therefore an increased involvement of Member States is required, and shall help their partners with accessing financial support.

Or. en

Amendment 215

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) Increase the impact of KICs and knowledge triangle integration;

(a) Increase the impact of KICs and ***strengthen*** knowledge triangle integration;

Or. en

Amendment 216

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) ***Increase the*** innovation capacity of the higher education sector by promoting

(b) ***Increasing the entrepreneurial and*** innovation capacity of the higher education

institutional change in higher education institutions (HEIs);

sector by promoting institutional change in higher education institutions (HEIs) **and their integration in innovation ecosystems**;

Or. en

Amendment 217

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) Increase the openness and transparency of the KICs by including and providing services to a wider range of stakeholders across the Union and thereby contributing to increasing the innovation capacities across Europe by strengthening the local innovation ecosystems and interlinking them into the pan-European innovation ecosystems through cooperation with the EIT KICs;

Or. en

Amendment 218

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) Increase the regional outreach of the EIT in order to address regional disparities in innovation capacity across the EU.

(c) Increase the regional outreach of the EIT in order to address regional disparities in innovation capacity across the EU **and within individual Member States, in order to ensure a balanced geographical coverage also through a better link with local Smart Specialisation Strategies.**

Amendment 219

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) Increase the regional outreach of the EIT in order to address regional disparities in innovation capacity across the EU.

Amendment

(c) Increase the regional ***and local*** outreach of the EIT ***and its KICs, as well as better dissemination and exploitation of results***, in order to address regional disparities in innovation capacity across the EU ***and within Member States and improve balanced geographical coverage***.

Or. en

Amendment 220

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 221

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.1 – paragraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c a) Increase openness and transparency of the KICs by including a wider range of stakeholders across the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 222

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

By delivering on these objectives, the EIT will contribute to the overall achievement of Horizon Europe scientific, economic/technological **and** societal impacts. It will continue to strengthen innovation ecosystems that help to tackle global challenges, by fostering the integration of the knowledge triangle in the areas of activity of the KICs. The Horizon Europe Strategic Planning process will ensure closer alignment between the EIT activities and the rest of Horizon Europe. Based on its proven track record, the EIT will play an important role in the **Open Innovation** Pillar.

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Or. en

Amendment 223

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 224
Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Strong synergies between the EIT and the European Innovation Council will be key for the impact of the [Innovative Europe] Pillar. The EIT and the EIC will run complementary activities aiming at streamlining the support provided to innovative ventures. Based on the expertise of its KICs, the EIT will provide business acceleration services and trainings to beneficiaries awarded EIC funding.

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Support schemes provided by the EIT shall benefit EIC beneficiaries, while start-ups emerging from EIT KICs shall have fast track access to EIC actions.

Amendment 225**Klaus Buchner**

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 2***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Amendment

Strong synergies, **including through cooperation at governance level** between the EIT and the European Innovation Council will be key for the impact of the [Innovative Europe] Pillar. The EIT and the EIC will run complementary activities aiming at streamlining the support provided to innovative *companies*, **including** business acceleration services and trainings.

Amendment 226**Lina Gálvez Muñoz**

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 3***Text proposed by the Commission*

The EIT will furthermore facilitate the access of EIC beneficiaries to KICs' innovation ecosystems and relevant actors of the knowledge triangle. In this way EIC beneficiaries can become actively involved in KICs' activities and benefit from KICs' services. In parallel, EIT beneficiaries will be able to apply to the EIC instruments, **when EIT KICs support may not be available**. The EIC may help start-ups supported by KICs with a high growth

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Or. en

Amendment 227

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 228

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will furthermore facilitate the access of EIC beneficiaries to KICs' innovation ecosystems and relevant actors of the knowledge triangle. In this way EIC beneficiaries can become actively involved in KICs' activities and benefit from KICs' services. In parallel, EIT beneficiaries will be able to apply to the EIC instruments, **when EIT KICs support may not be available**. The EIC may help start-ups supported by KICs with a high growth potential to rapidly scale-up. In particular, the most innovative **KICs'-backed** ventures may, if selected under the EIC, benefit from the blended finance support offered by the EIC Accelerator and/or by the financial support offered by InvestEU instruments.

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Or. en

Amendment 229

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Fredrick Federley, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoş Pişlaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

KICs will stimulate the creation of innovative companies in close synergy and complementarity with the EIC. EIT beneficiaries will be able to apply to the EIC instruments for support additional to the services provided by the EIT KICs, while startups with a high growth potential supported by KICs will have access to EIC actions in order to rapidly scale-up.

Justification

To ensure synergies between the EIT and the EIC instruments and their cooperation.

Amendment 230

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will ensure stronger synergies **also** with programmes and initiatives in the [Excellent Science] Pillar, to accelerate the transfer of knowledge resulting from blue sky research into concrete applications benefiting the society. In particular, with regard to the Marie-Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), the EIT will collaborate on the development of innovation and entrepreneurial skills of MSCA fellows.

Amendment

The EIT will **also** ensure stronger synergies **with all the missions and the relevant partnerships, as for example PRIMA, IMI, EDCTP, FCH, ECSEL, and** with programmes and initiatives in the [Excellent Science] Pillar, to accelerate the transfer of knowledge resulting from blue sky research into concrete applications benefiting the society. In particular, with regard to the Marie-Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) **and the ERC**, the EIT will collaborate on the development of innovation and entrepreneurial skills of MSCA fellows **and ERC grantees. That collaboration shall be made available on a voluntary basis and shall not increase the administrative burden for the beneficiaries.**

Or. en

Amendment 231

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 232

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will ensure stronger synergies also with programmes and initiatives in the [Excellent Science] Pillar, to accelerate the transfer of knowledge resulting from blue sky research into concrete applications benefiting the society. In particular, with regard to the Marie-Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), the EIT will collaborate on the development of innovation and entrepreneurial skills of MSCA fellows.

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Or. en

Amendment 233

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will contribute to the [Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness] Pillar and complement relevant activities to tackle global challenges and increase the competitiveness of the EU on a global scale. In particular, through its KICs, the EIT will seek to contribute to relevant missions and thematic clusters and other European Partnerships by notably supporting demand-side measures and providing exploitation services to boost technology transfer and accelerate the commercialisation of results achieved.

Amendment

The EIT will contribute to the [Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness] Pillar and complement relevant activities to tackle global **societal** challenges and increase the **sustainability and** competitiveness of the EU on a global scale. In particular, through its KICs, the EIT will seek to contribute to relevant missions and thematic clusters and other European Partnerships by notably supporting demand-side measures and providing exploitation services to boost technology transfer and accelerate the commercialisation of results achieved.

Or. en

Amendment 234

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Opportunities for synergies will be also explored between the **Sharing** Excellence part of Horizon Europe and the outreach activities supported by the EIT. In particular, target countries of the Horizon Europe Sharing Excellence part will be able to leverage on EIT expertise and support for the development of downstream activities (i.e. close to market), as the target group for **for** EIT outreach activities.

Amendment

Opportunities for synergies will be also explored between the **Widening Participation and Spreading** Excellence part of Horizon Europe and the **RIS and other** outreach activities supported by the EIT. **The aim is to reach a more balanced representation of EIT activities across the Union. The EIT shall guide the KICs to make better use of the RIS.** In particular, target countries of the Horizon Europe Sharing Excellence part will be able to leverage on EIT expertise and support for the development of downstream activities (i.e. close to market), as the target group for EIT outreach **activities. The RIS budget shall also be used as leverage for ESI funds. Such synergies shall be used to create, inside the EIT, funding schemes that are similar to the widening actions of the Framework Programme for Research**

Justification

To strengthen the synergies between the EIT and other parts of Horizon Europe programme, as well as other EU instruments.

Amendment 235

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 2 – point 2.2 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Opportunities for synergies will be also explored between the **Sharing** Excellence part of Horizon Europe and the outreach activities supported by the EIT. In particular, target countries of the Horizon Europe Sharing Excellence part will be able to leverage on EIT expertise and support for the development of downstream activities (i.e. close to market), as the target group for **for** EIT outreach activities.

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Amendment 236
Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**2 a. Preparing for the coming new
postvirus normal**

In the medium-term it will be necessary to restructure the KICs to adapt to the new postvirus normal. There should be a demand driven reorientation towards COVID-19 related activities for EIT Health and all other KICs will have to adapt to the new normal with more focus on digitalization, new manufacturing in Europe, new production chains etc. The KICs should be agile and flexible in order to seek for new opportunities in the coming years.

Or. en

Amendment 237

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**3. Boosting the Innovation Talent
and Capacity of Europe**

3. Focus on what works

Or. en

Amendment 238

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – paragraph -1 (new)

-1 *The overarching rationale of the EIT is the model of innovation-driven knowledge triangle integration. Especially during a time of crisis, the KICs should focus on where they deliver the proper added value.*

In case there is a need to train people in order to upgrade their skills, the KICs should provide training. The EIT should however phase out separate EIT education programs with the EIT label in particular at master and doctoral level, and focus on training and education within the knowledge triangle. It is important that all KIC activities are based on the integration of all three components of the knowledge triangle. Improving the European education system is an important task but it lays outside the mission of the EIT and its KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 239

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

A reinforced role of the EIT, through a focus on actions where it will add value at the EU level and contribute to achieving the objectives of Horizon Europe, will guide the EIT strategy for 2021-2027. First, the EIT will continue to support the innovation capacity and ecosystems through KICs, their further development and expansion, **and through the launch of new KICs**. Secondly, building on its experience with the knowledge triangle integration, the EIT will **directly** support the development of the entrepreneurial and

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innovation capacity in the higher education sector. Finally, through more effective **cross-cutting** measures, the EIT **will** ensure that its impact at the EU level **increases**. In addition, the EIT will also improve its operations in a number of areas in order to increase its effectiveness, efficiency and impact.

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Or. en

Amendment 240

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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and higher connection with SMEs in order to increase its effectiveness, efficiency and impact.

Or. en

Amendment 241

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 242

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The integration of the knowledge triangle by the EIT and KICs at EU, Member States, regional and local levels will remain a core task for strengthening innovation ecosystems and making them sustainable, as well as for developing new solutions to global challenges. The EIT will continue support a portfolio of KICs (*see Figure 2*) and will further strengthen its successful platform for launching, growing **and managing** them. KICs will continue to operate through co-location centers (CLC). The KICs will continue to pursue financial sustainability in order to achieve financial independence from the EIT grant in the long-term (**at the latest**, after 15 years) through leveraging public and private investment.

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Or. en

Amendment 243
Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 244

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will dedicate a large share of its budget to support KICs. It will monitor and analyse their performance **and ensure** they deliver towards the objectives of the EIT and of the Horizon Europe Programme. Beyond financial support, based on lessons learned, the EIT **will** provide strategic supervision to KICs, as well as guidance on horizontal and specific issues, including on the establishment of synergies within Horizon Europe and with other EU initiatives. In particular, the EIT **will** support KICs in establishing interfaces and fostering joint activities with relevant European Partnerships and other relevant Union initiatives and programmes.

Amendment

The EIT will dedicate a large share of its budget to support KICs. It will monitor and analyse their performance **based on qualitative and quantitative approaches and indicators using an impact-oriented approach that can also lead to interdisciplinary learning loops ensuring** they deliver towards the objectives of the EIT and of the Horizon Europe Programme. Beyond financial support, based on lessons learned, the EIT **shall** provide strategic supervision to KICs, as well as guidance on horizontal and specific issues, including on the establishment of synergies within Horizon Europe and with other EU **and international** initiatives. In particular, the EIT **shall** support KICs in establishing interfaces and fostering joint activities with relevant European Partnerships, **Horizon Europe missions, the EIC** and other relevant Union initiatives and programmes.

Amendment 245

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

It will also monitor the award of the EIT Label to KICs' education and training programmes and explore a more effective quality assurance mechanism, including external recognition and accreditation for the EIT Label. *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 246

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

It will also monitor the award of the EIT Label to KICs' education and training programmes and explore a more effective quality assurance mechanism, including external recognition and accreditation for the EIT Label.

It will also monitor ***and improve*** the award of the EIT Label to KICs' education and training programmes and explore a more effective quality assurance mechanism, including external recognition and accreditation for the EIT Label ***in order to strengthen the EIT label importance.***

Or. en

Amendment 247

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

It **will** also monitor the award of the EIT Label to KICs' education **and** training programmes and explore a more effective quality assurance mechanism, including external recognition and **accreditation** for the EIT Label.

Amendment

It **shall** also monitor the award of the EIT Label to KICs' education, training, **mentoring and re- skilling** programmes and explore a more effective quality assurance mechanism, including external recognition and **visibility** for the EIT Label.

Or. en

Amendment 248

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT **will** facilitate shared services **towards the KICs and** exchanges of experiences and good practices between KICs and foster collaboration between them (cross-KIC activities) on both thematic and horizontal topics. Cross-KIC activities have highest potential where several KICs **already address** common EU policy priorities where no dedicated KICs exist. Bringing together the different KICs communities in dedicated joint actions of mutual benefit has high potential for synergies **and** The EIT **will** boost such **activities and** take an active part in defining the content and structure of the cross-KIC activities. It **will** monitor the implementation of cross-KIC activities as well as the results achieved, with the aim of **making** those activities an integral part of the KICs' strategies.

Amendment

The EIT **shall** facilitate **the establishment of** shared services **and facilities, aiming to jointly handle specific operational tasks that are common to several KICs. It shall also facilitate** exchanges of experiences and good practices between KICs and foster collaboration between them (cross-KIC activities) on both thematic and horizontal topics. **Cross-fertilisation between different subject areas is increasingly important for creativity, innovation and business.** Cross-KIC activities have **the** highest potential where several KICs **already address** common EU policy priorities **and** where no dedicated KICs exist. Bringing together the different KICs communities in dedicated joint actions of mutual benefit has high potential for synergies. The EIT **shall** boost such **activities and** take an active part in defining the content and structure of the cross-KIC activities. It **shall** monitor the implementation of cross-KIC activities as well as the results achieved, with the aim of **ensuring long-term sustainability of** those activities **as** an integral part of the

Amendment 249

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 1 – paragraph 4

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The EIT will facilitate shared services **towards the KICs and** exchanges of experiences and good practices between KICs and foster collaboration between them (cross-KIC activities) on both thematic and horizontal topics. Cross-KIC activities have highest potential where several KICs **already address** common EU policy priorities where no dedicated KICs exist. Bringing together the different KICs communities in dedicated joint actions of mutual benefit has high potential for synergies and The EIT will boost such **activities and** take an active part in defining the content and structure of the cross-KIC activities. It will monitor the implementation of cross-KIC activities as well as the results achieved, with the aim of making those activities an integral part of the KICs' strategies.

Amendment

The EIT will facilitate **the establishment of EIT Community** shared services **facilities, aimed at jointly handling specific operational tasks common to all KICs.** **The EIT will also facilitate** exchanges of experiences and good practices between KICs and foster collaboration between them (cross-KIC activities) on both thematic and horizontal topics. Cross-KIC activities have highest potential where several KICs **already address** common EU policy priorities where no dedicated KICs exist. Bringing together the different KICs communities in dedicated joint actions of mutual benefit has high potential for synergies and **interdisciplinary learning loops.** The EIT will boost such **activities and** take an active part in defining the content and structure of the cross-KIC activities. It will monitor the implementation of cross-KIC activities as well as the results achieved, with the aim of making those activities an integral part of the **EIT's and** KICs' strategies.

Amendment 250

Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT *will* further increase its regional impact through *an* enhanced openness towards potential partners and stakeholders and a better articulated regional strategy of KICs, *including links* to the relevant Smart Specialisation Strategies.

Amendment

The EIT *shall* further increase its regional impact through enhanced openness *of the KICs* towards *a wide range of pan-European* potential partners and stakeholders, *a balanced geographical coverage, a strengthened dissemination and exploitation of results* and a better articulated regional strategy of KICs. *When selecting partners, projects or new co-location centres, excellence will be the criterion of choice. In cases of equal quality of evaluation KICs shall give priority to those proposals that:*

- include a higher number of regions and countries that have modest and moderate innovation performances according to the European Innovation Scoreboard and the Regional Innovation Scoreboard;*
- involve regions and countries that commit to contribute with ESI funds.*

In addition, each KIC shall be required to develop and implement a multi-annual strategy, integrated in its business plans, aiming at strengthening the relationship with regional and local innovation actors. Where relevant, KICs should demonstrate links with Smart Specialisation Strategies and with the activities of thematic platforms and interregional initiatives, including with the Managing Authorities of ESI Funds. The EIT shall continuously monitor the implementation of these territorial strategies including the leverage effect on the ESI Funds. The EIT shall also monitor how CLCs operate and how they integrate in the local innovation ecosystems.

Or. en

Justification

It is important to introduce the use of the European Innovation Scoreboard and Regional Innovation scoreboard as these are official EU tools to define regions and countries underperforming in research and innovations

Amendment 251

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT **will** further increase its regional impact through an enhanced openness towards potential partners and stakeholders and a better articulated regional strategy of **KICs, including links** to the **relevant** Smart Specialisation Strategies.

Amendment

The EIT **shall** further increase its regional impact through an enhanced openness **of the KICs** towards **a wide range of** potential partners and stakeholders, **a balanced geographical coverage, an enhanced dissemination and exploitation of results** and a better articulated regional strategy of **the KICs. Each KIC shall elaborate such regional strategy as an integral part of their multi-annual strategies and business plans aiming at strengthening the relationship with regional and local innovation actors and ecosystems. While excellence remains the main criterion of the KICs when selecting partners, projects and co-location centres that add value to the KIC, particular attention shall be paid to building sustainable innovation structures and ecosystems in modest and moderate innovator regions and countries, respectively which are not yet active in the KIC community. KICs should demonstrate links with local Smart Specialisation Strategies and with the activities of relevant thematic platforms and interregional initiatives, including the Managing Authorities of ESI Funds. The EIT will also monitor how CLCs operate and how they integrate in the local innovation ecosystems.**

Or. en

Amendment 252

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will further increase its regional impact through an enhanced openness towards potential partners and stakeholders and a better articulated regional strategy of KICs, including links to the relevant Smart Specialisation Strategies.

Amendment

The EIT will further increase its regional impact through an enhanced openness towards potential partners and stakeholders and a better articulated regional strategy of KICs, including links to the relevant Smart Specialisation Strategies **as well as to SMEs**.

Or. en

Amendment 253

Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS **will** become an integral part of the **KIC**' multi-annual **strategy**. The EIT **will** continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual **EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation**. **EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation**. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities **will be at least 10%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby **increasing the** number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS **will** aim to:

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS **shall** become **mandatory and** an integral part of the **KICs**' multi-annual **strategies**. The EIT **shall ensure that RIS activities are used as a bridge (i) towards relevant Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategies thereby catalysing other investments, especially ESI funds and (ii) towards the integration of potential new partners thereby extending the KICs' geographical coverage**. **The EIT shall** continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation **and implementation** of multi-annual RIS activities **so that they** support the innovation capacity of countries and regions, **including outermost regions, that have modest and moderate innovation performances according to the European Innovation Scoreboard and the Regional Innovation Scoreboard**. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities

shall be between 10 and 15% of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby *facilitating an increased* number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS *shall* aim to:

Or. en

Justification

It is important to introduce the use of the European Innovation Scoreboard and Regional Innovation scoreboard as these are official EU tools to define regions and countries underperforming in research and innovations

Amendment 254

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS *will* become an integral part of the *KIC*' multi-annual *strategy*. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries *and regions that underperform in terms of innovation*. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities will be at least **10%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS *shall* become *mandatory and* an integral part of the *KICs*' multi-annual *strategies*. *The EIT shall ensure that RIS activities are used as a bridge (i) towards relevant Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategies thereby catalysing other investments, especially ESI funds and (ii) towards the integration of potential new partners thereby extending the KICs' geographical coverage*. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of *low R&I performing countries, as well as the Moderate and Modest Innovator countries, in order to foster their integration in the KICs' communities*. The

EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities will be at least **15%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Or. en

Justification

The RIS needs to be adequately funded as it applies to a very broad geographical area consisting of 17 EU countries.

Amendment 255

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS **will** become an integral part of the **KIC**' multi-annual **strategy**. The EIT **will** continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual **EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation**. **EIT** RIS activities **will continue with improved** support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities **will** be at least **10%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby **increasing the** number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS **will** aim to:

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS **shall** become **mandatory and** an integral part of the **KICs**' multi-annual **strategies**. The EIT **shall ensure that RIS activities are used as a bridge (i) towards relevant Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategies thereby catalysing other investments, especially ESI funds and (ii) towards the integration of potential new partners thereby extending the KICs' geographical coverage**. The EIT **shall** continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation **and implementation** of multi-annual RIS activities **so that they** support the innovation capacity of countries and regions, **including outermost regions**, that underperform in terms of innovation **and have limited participation in the KICs' activities**. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities **shall** be at least **15%** of the overall EIT support

funding to KICs, thereby *facilitating an increased* number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS *shall* aim to:

Or. en

Amendment 256

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become an integral part of the KIC' multi-annual strategy. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities will be at least 10% of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become an integral part of the KIC' multi-annual strategy. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions, *including outermost regions*, that underperform in terms of innovation. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities will be at least 10% of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Or. en

Amendment 257

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become **an** integral part of the **KIC**’ multi-annual **strategy**. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation. **The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities will be at least 10% of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions.** Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become **a binding and** integral part of the **KICs**’ multi-annual **strategies**. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation **and to foster their integration and participation in the KICs’ communities, thus extending EIT’s pan-European coverage.** Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Or. en

Amendment 258

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become an integral part of the KIC’ multi-annual strategy. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities

Amendment

The EIT Regional Innovation Scheme, steered by the EIT and implemented by KICs, has been so far run on a voluntary basis. From 2021 on, the EIT RIS will become an integral part of the KIC’ multi-annual strategy. The EIT will continue to provide guidance and support to KICs in the preparation of multi-annual EIT RIS strategies and in their implementation. EIT RIS activities will continue with improved support to the innovation capacity of countries and regions that underperform in terms of innovation. The EIT budget devoted to implementing EIT RIS activities

will be at **least 10%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

will be at **maximum of 15%** of the overall EIT support funding to KICs, thereby increasing the number of KIC partners from targeted regions. Activities supported through the RIS will aim to:

Or. en

Amendment 259

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— **improve** the innovation capacities of the local ecosystem, via capacity building activities and closer interactions between the local innovation actors (clusters, networks, regional authorities, HEIs, research organisations, VET institutions);

Amendment

— **contributing to improving** the innovation capacities of the local **and regional** ecosystem, via capacity building activities and closer interactions between the local **and regional** innovation actors (clusters, networks, regional authorities, HEIs, research organisations, VET institutions);

Or. en

Amendment 260

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

— link local innovation ecosystems to pan-European innovation ecosystems through cooperation with EIT KICs and their co-locations centres.

Amendment

— **attract new partners in EIT KICs, extend the geographical coverage of EIT KICs also through the innovation hubs and link local innovation ecosystems to pan-European innovation ecosystems through cooperation with EIT KICs and their co-locations centres and link local innovation ecosystems to pan-European**

innovation ecosystems through cooperation with EIT KICs and their co-locations centres.

Or. en

Amendment 261

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

— *link* local innovation ecosystems to pan-European innovation ecosystems through cooperation with EIT KICs and their co-locations centres.

Amendment

— *linking* local innovation ecosystems to pan-European innovation ecosystems through *the attraction of new partners, extending the geographical coverage and* cooperation with EIT KICs and their co-locations centres.

Or. en

Amendment 262

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 2 – indent 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- *Leveraging additional private and public funding*

Or. en

Amendment 263

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In addition, in order to ensure KICs' deeper integration in local innovation ecosystems, each KIC will be required to develop and implement a strategy aiming at strengthening the relationship with regional and local innovation actors, and the EIT will actively monitor the implementation. A "place-based" innovation approach should be integrated within the KIC's multi-annual strategy and business plan and build on KIC's CLCs (and RIS), thus leveraging on their role as gateway for accessing a KIC community and interacting with the co-located partners. KICs should demonstrate links with local Smart Specialisation Strategies and with the activities of relevant thematic platforms and interregional initiatives, including the Managing Authorities of ESI Funds. The EIT will also monitor how CLCs operate and how they integrate in the local innovation ecosystems.

deleted

Or. en

Justification

For reasons of streamlining the text this wording is integrated in first paragraph of point 2

Amendment 264

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In addition, in order to ensure KICs' deeper integration in local innovation ecosystems, each KIC will be required to

The EIT shall further increase its regional impact through an enhanced openness of the KICs towards a wide

develop and implement a strategy aiming at strengthening the relationship with regional and local innovation actors, **and the EIT will actively monitor the implementation. A “place-based” innovation approach should be integrated within the KIC’s multi-annual strategy and business plan and build on KIC’s CLCs (and RIS), thus leveraging on their role as gateway for accessing a KIC community and interacting with the co-located partners.** KICs should demonstrate links with **local** Smart Specialisation Strategies and with the activities of **relevant** thematic platforms and interregional initiatives, including the Managing Authorities of ESI Funds. The EIT **will** also monitor how CLCs operate and how they integrate in the local innovation ecosystems.

range of pan-European potential partners and stakeholders, a balanced geographical coverage, a strengthened dissemination and exploitation of results and a better articulated regional strategy of KICs. When selecting projects and partners, and when it is strictly necessary to separate proposals of equal quality, after an assessment based on the excellence criterion, KICs shall give priority to those proposals that:

- include a higher number of low R&I performing regions or countries, according to the European Innovation Scoreboard, the Regional Innovation Scoreboard and the Widening countries as established by Horizon Europe;**
- include a higher number of regions or countries that are not yet participating in the KIC community;**
- involve regions and countries that commit to contribute with ESI funds.**

KICs shall deepen their integration into the local innovation ecosystems also through the innovation hubs, which should serve as an entry point for interacting with local players and knowledge triangle actors. The innovation hubs can help establish synergies, internationalise the local networks, identify funding and project opportunities, provide advices to the public authorities on complementarities and support the beneficiaries. The innovation hubs can also grow into regional co-location centres.

In addition, each KIC shall be required to develop and implement a multi-annual strategy, integrated in its business plans,

aiming at strengthening the relationship with regional and local innovation actors. **Where relevant**, KICs should demonstrate links with Smart Specialisation Strategies and with the activities of thematic platforms and interregional initiatives, including **with** the Managing Authorities of ESI Funds. The EIT **shall continuously monitor the implementation of these territorial strategies including the leverage effect on the ESI Funds. The EIT shall** also monitor how CLCs operate and how they integrate in the local innovation ecosystems.

Or. en

Amendment 265

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

deleted

Or. en

Justification

The selection and launch of new KICs is being postponed until the assesment of the crisisperiod.

Amendment 266

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In order to contribute to addressing new

In order to contribute to addressing new

and emerging global challenges, the EIT will launch new KICs in **priority fields** selected based on criteria assessing, among other aspects, their **relevance to Horizon Europe** policy priorities, and their potential and added value to be addressed through the EIT model. The launch of new KICs **will** take into account the Strategic Planning of Horizon Europe and the budget allocated to the EIT in 2021-2027. The relevant selection criteria for European Partnerships defined in Annex III of the [Horizon Europe Regulation] **will** be included in the KIC Call for proposals and assessed during the evaluation.

and emerging global challenges, the EIT will launch **open and transparent calls for the creation of** new KICs in selected **thematic areas of strategic importance** based on criteria assessing, among other aspects, their **added value in delivering on societal challenges and EU** policy priorities, **in particular the reduction of GHG emissions to net-zero by 2040 at the latest and the realisation of the SDGs**, and their potential and added value to be addressed through the EIT model. The launch of new KICs **shall** take into account the Strategic Planning of Horizon Europe and the budget allocated to the EIT in 2021-2027. The relevant selection criteria for European Partnerships defined in Annex III of the [Horizon Europe Regulation] **and Article 9 of the EIT Regulation shall** be included in the KIC Call for proposals and assessed during the evaluation..

Or. en

Amendment 267

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on a proposal from the EIT Governing Board and an analysis thereof, a first KIC in the field of Cultural and Creative **Industries (CCI)** is proposed to be launched in 2022 with a call for proposals to be published in 2021. **This priority field has the strongest complementarity with the eight KICs that have already been launched by the EIT, as well as with the potential priority areas for other European Partnerships to be launched in the framework of Horizon Europe. CCI are a sector with a high**

Amendment

Based on a proposal from the EIT Governing Board and an analysis thereof, a first KIC in the field of Cultural and Creative **Sectors (CCS)** is proposed to be launched in 2022 with a call for proposals to be published in 2021 **and a second KIC on Water, Marine and Maritime Sectors, identified as a priority area** by the EIT **Governing Board**, to be launched in **2025** with a **call for proposals to be published in 2024**.

growth potential, many grass-roots initiatives and strong citizen appeal. They are strongly embedded in their local and regional ecosystems. However, CCI are still a very fragmented sector and the innovators and business creators lack the needed entrepreneurial and innovation skills. These bottlenecks would be best tackled by a KIC thanks to its knowledge triangle integration approach, long-term perspective and place-based approach. A factsheet summarizing the challenges of the CCI field and the expected impact of the future KIC is included in Annex 1B to this SIA.

Or. en

Amendment 268

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on a proposal from the EIT Governing Board and an analysis thereof, a first KIC in the field of Cultural and Creative **Industries (CCI) is proposed to** be launched in **2022** with a call for **proposals** to be published in **2021**. This priority field has the strongest complementarity with the eight KICs that have already been launched by the EIT, as well as with the potential priority areas for other European Partnerships to be launched in the framework of Horizon Europe. **CCI are a sector** with a high growth potential, many grass-roots initiatives and strong citizen appeal. They are strongly embedded in their local and regional ecosystems. **However, CCI are still a very** fragmented sector and the innovators **and** business creators **lack the needed** entrepreneurial and innovation skills. These bottlenecks

Amendment

Based on a proposal **of potential future thematic areas and societal challenges received** from the EIT Governing Board and an analysis thereof, a first KIC in the field of **the** Cultural and Creative **Sectors (CCS) will** be launched in **2024** with a call for **proposal** to be published in **2023**. This priority field has the strongest complementarity with the eight KICs that have already been launched by the EIT, as well as with the potential priority areas for other European Partnerships to be launched in the framework of Horizon Europe. **CCS are an area** with a high growth potential, many grass-roots initiatives and strong citizen appeal. They are strongly embedded in their local and regional ecosystems. **By nature CCS are** fragmented, **yet** sector and the innovators **or** business creators **need to improve their** entrepreneurial and

would be best tackled by a KIC thanks to its knowledge triangle integration approach, long-term perspective and place-based approach. A factsheet summarizing the challenges of the *CCI* field and the expected impact of the future KIC is included in Annex 1B to this SIA.

innovation skills. These bottlenecks would be best tackled by a KIC thanks to its knowledge triangle integration approach, long-term perspective and place-based approach. A factsheet summarizing the challenges of the *CCS* field and the expected impact of the future KIC is included in Annex 1B to this SIA.

Or. en

Justification

Given that the medium-term impacts of the COVID crisis on the existing KICs still need to be seen, the launch for the first new KIC shall be postponed to 2024, in order to have a better overview over remaining financial means and future needs. The amended wording from 'Cultural and Creative Industries (CCI)' to 'Cultural and Creative Sector (CCS)' shall be applicable throughout the text.

Amendment 269

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The priority field on CCS has the strongest complementarity with the eight KICs that have already been launched by the EIT, as well as with the potential priority areas for other European Partnerships to be launched in the framework of Horizon Europe. CCS are domains with a high growth potential, many grass-roots initiatives and strong citizen appeal. They are strongly embedded in their local and regional ecosystems. However, CCS are still a very fragmented sector and the innovators and business creators lack the needed entrepreneurial and innovation skills. The bottlenecks which occur would be best tackled by a KIC thanks to its knowledge triangle integration approach, long-term perspective and place-based approach. A

factsheet summarizing the challenges of the CCS field and the expected impact of the future KIC is included in Annex 1B to this SIA.

Or. en

Amendment 270

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Water, Marine and Maritime Sectors and Ecosystems priority field covers a wide range of traditional and emerging economic sectors, which are intrinsically linked to an environmental natural capital that is under pressure. This field will play a crucial role in delivering a climate-neutral, sustainable and competitive Union by 2050, as new technologies and the need to decarbonise the economy are leading to an increasing use and exploitation of marine and aquatic resources. Seas, oceans and inland waters have a central role in climate processes, in human health and wellbeing, in the provision of food, the preservation of biodiversity, critical ecosystem services, renewable energy and other resources. Wastewater treatments will reduce the amount of energy used, the pathogenic bacteria during the sewage sludge dewatering and in general increase the plant's efficiency and quality. This priority field is complementary to the eight existing KICs. A factsheet summarising the challenges of the Water field and the expected impact of the future KIC is included in Annex 1B(new) to this Decision.

Or. en

Amendment 271

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the proposed budget for the EIT, a second new KIC could be launched in 2025 with a call to be published in 2024, after an amendment to Annex 1A to add new priority field(s). The priority area(s) will be selected in light of the proposals of the EIT Governing Board. These proposals will take into account the priority areas to be identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Plan and the criteria set for the selection of European Partnerships, in particular openness, transparency, EU added value, coherence and synergies. The criteria for selecting new KICs will be aligned with those in the Horizon Europe. They will also support delivery on EU policy priorities such as missions and Sustainable Development Goals. Other new KIC/KICs could be selected in case additional budget to that of the EIT would become available.

Amendment

In case additional budget to that of the EIT became available, other KICs could be selected, taking into account the priority area(s) of the proposal of the EIT Governing Board, the priority areas to be identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Plan and the criteria set for the selection of European Partnerships, in particular openness, transparency, EU added value, coherence and synergies. The criteria for selecting new KICs will be aligned with those in the Horizon Europe. They will also support delivery on EU policy priorities such as missions and Sustainable Development Goals.

Or. en

Amendment 272

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the **proposed budget for the EIT,**

Amendment

Based on the **interim-evaluation of the EIT**

a second new KIC could be launched in **2025** with a call to be published in **2024**, after an amendment to Annex 1A to add new priority field(s). The priority area(s) will be selected in light of the proposals of the EIT Governing Board. These proposals will take into account the priority areas to be identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Plan and the criteria set for the selection of European Partnerships, in particular openness, transparency, EU added value, coherence and synergies. The criteria for selecting new KICs will be aligned with those in the Horizon Europe. They will also support delivery on EU policy priorities such as missions and Sustainable Development Goals. Other new KIC/KICs could be selected *in case* additional budget to that of the EIT would become available.

and the KICs and remaining budget, a second new KIC could be launched in **2026** with a call to be published in **2025**, after an amendment to Annex 1A to add new priority field(s). The priority area(s) will be selected in light of the proposals of the EIT Governing Board. These proposals will take into account the priority areas to be identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Plan and the criteria set for the selection of European Partnerships, in particular openness, transparency, EU added value, coherence and synergies. The criteria for selecting new KICs will be aligned with those in the Horizon Europe *and based on Article 9 of the EIT Regulation*. They will also support delivery on EU policy priorities such as missions and Sustainable Development Goals, *the European Green Deal and the reduction of GHG emissions to net-zero linked to it*. Other new KIC/KICs could be selected *provided* additional budget to that of the EIT would become available.

Or. en

Amendment 273

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.1 – point 3 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the proposed budget for the EIT, a second new KIC could be launched in **2025** with a call to be published in **2024**, *after* an amendment to Annex 1A *to add new priority field(s)*. *The priority area(s) will be selected in light of the proposals* of the EIT Governing Board. *These proposals* will take into account the priority areas to be identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Research and Innovation Plan and the criteria set for the selection of European Partnerships, in particular

Amendment

Based on the proposed budget for the EIT, a second new KIC could be launched in **2026**, with a call to be published in **2025**. *To this end, the Commission shall, by 2023, assess the relevance of possible priority fields and submit a proposal for an amendment to Annex 1A and Annex 1B, taking into account the contribution of the EIT Governing Board and the Horizon Europe Strategic Planning process. This proposal* will take into account the priority areas to be identified in

openness, transparency, EU added value, coherence and synergies. The criteria for selecting new KICs will be aligned with those in the Horizon Europe. They will also support delivery on EU policy priorities such as missions and Sustainable Development Goals. Other new KIC/KICs could be selected in case additional budget to that of the EIT would become available.

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Or. en

Justification

The priority field for a second future KIC should not be predetermined today but decided later, e.g. in the light of consequences of the Covid-19 crisis.

Amendment 274

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 275

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Through the knowledge triangle integration model, the EIT has helped to bridge the

In cooperation with the Commission, the EIT shall design and launch a pilot to

persistent gap between higher education, research and innovation. In particular, the EIT *is* a key tool for the development of human capital through its distinctive focus on entrepreneurial education. However, the impact of the EIT *remains* limited to the KICs' partners.

support the development of innovation capacity in higher education, which will be implemented through the KICs, starting in 2021. Through the knowledge triangle integration model, the EIT has helped to bridge the persistent gap between higher education, research and innovation. In particular, the EIT *and the KICs are* a key tool for the development of human capital through its distinctive focus on entrepreneurial education. However, the impact of the EIT *must not be* limited to the KICs' partners.

Or. en

Amendment 276

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Through the knowledge triangle integration model, the EIT has helped to bridge the persistent gap between higher education, research and innovation. In particular, the EIT *is* a key tool for the development of human capital through its distinctive focus on entrepreneurial education. However, the impact of the EIT remains limited to the KICs' partners.

Amendment

Through the knowledge triangle integration model, the EIT has helped to bridge the persistent gap between higher education, research and innovation. In particular, the EIT *and the KICs are* a key tool for the development of human capital through its distinctive focus on *innovation and* entrepreneurial education. However, the impact of the EIT remains limited to the KICs' partners *and therefore must be further extended.*

Or. en

Amendment 277

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

To support innovation more widely, higher education institutions in Europe need to be innovative and entrepreneurial in their approach to education, research, and engagement with businesses and the broader local innovation ecosystem, including civil society.

Amendment

To support innovation more widely, higher education institutions in Europe need to be innovative and entrepreneurial in their approach to education, research, and engagement with businesses and the broader local **and regional** innovation ecosystem, including civil society, **public institutions and third-sector organisations, and other stakeholders paying particular attention to gender equality and the inclusion of persons with migrational background, and disabilities.**

In cooperation with the Commission and based on input by the existing KICs, the EIT shall design and launch a pilot to support the development of innovation and entrepreneurial capacity in higher education, which will be implemented through the KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 278

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Activities **will** be implemented by the EIT through the KICs in an open and targeted way which will aim at increasing the innovation capacity in higher education **in order to integrate a wider number of HEIs** in innovation value chains and ecosystems. These activities **will** complement the intervention of the EIT on education as core part of the Knowledge Triangle Integration activities of KICs, in particular through making them more open and accessible to non-partners of the KICs. The

Amendment

Activities **shall** be implemented by the EIT through the KICs in an open, **transparent** and targeted way which will aim at increasing the innovation **and entrepreneurial** capacity in higher education **targeting in particular HEIs that are not yet KIC partners** in innovation value chains and ecosystems. These activities **shall** complement the intervention of the EIT on education as core part of the Knowledge Triangle Integration activities of KICs, in particular

impact of the EIT would reach beyond the KICs and contribute to the EIT's core mission of boosting sustainable economic **growth** and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of Member States, in line with the Horizon Europe goals of fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective, **including increasing the capacities of HEIs across Europe.**

through making them more open and accessible to non-partners of the KICs. The ***pilot project shall address inter alia: the exchange and implementation of best practices in knowledge triangle integration (including organisational learning, coaching and mentoring); the development of action plans on how to address identified needs in areas, such as innovation management, start-up creation and development, sustainability and climate neutrality by design, technology transfer including IPR management, people and organisational management, including closing of the gender gap and integration of gender approaches in innovation, and the engagement with (local) stakeholders and civil society; and the implementation of innovation capacity development action plans and their follow-up. These activities shall also involve other actors of the knowledge triangle (e.g. VET organisations, RTOs, SMEs and start-ups). The EIT shall provide specific guidance, expertise and coaching to participating HEIs while promoting stronger cross-KIC collaboration within this initiative.***

KICs shall integrate their activities aiming to strengthen the innovation and entrepreneurial capacities of the HEIs in their multi-annual strategy and shall report on those activities to the EIT.

The impact of the EIT would reach beyond the KICs and contribute to the EIT's core mission of tackling societal challenges, boosting sustainable economic development and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of Member States, in line with the Horizon Europe goals of fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective, always taking into account the gender dimension and aspects of climate neutrality.

Or. en

Amendment 279

Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Activities **will** be implemented by the EIT through the KICs in an open and targeted way which will aim at increasing the innovation capacity in higher education in order to integrate a wider number of HEIs in innovation value chains and ecosystems. These activities will **complement the intervention of the EIT on education as core part of the Knowledge Triangle Integration activities of KICs**, in particular through making them more open and accessible to non-partners of the KICs. **The impact of the EIT would reach beyond the KICs and contribute to the EIT's core mission of boosting sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of Member States, in line with the Horizon Europe goals of fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective, including increasing the capacities of HEIs across Europe.**

Amendment

Activities **shall** be implemented by the EIT through the KICs, **engaging with local stakeholders and civil society**, in an open, **transparent** and targeted way which will aim at increasing the innovation capacity in higher education in order to integrate a wider number of HEIs in innovation value chains and ecosystems **across the Union**. These activities will **have to further integrate education in each KICs' Knowledge Triangle**, in particular through making them more open and accessible to non-partners of the KICs. **KICs shall integrate their activities aiming to strengthen the innovation capacities of the HEIs in the multi-annual strategy and shall report on those activities to the EIT.** The EIT **shall ensure that the activities have a reach beyond the KICs and contribute to the EIT's core mission of boosting European sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of Member States, in line with the Horizon Europe goals of fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective, always taking into account the gender dimension.**

Or. en

Justification

EIT should maintain a steering role over the KICs, also ensuring that activities are consistently implemented by different KICs

Amendment 280

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

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Activities **shall** be implemented by the EIT through the KICs in an open and **transparent** way which will aim at increasing the innovation capacity in higher **institutions across Europe** in order to integrate a wider number of HEIs in innovation value chains and ecosystems. These activities will complement the intervention of the EIT on education as core part of the Knowledge Triangle Integration activities of KICs, in particular through making them more open and accessible to non-partners of the KICs. The impact of the EIT would reach beyond the KICs and contribute to the EIT's core mission of boosting sustainable economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of Member States, in line with the Horizon Europe goals of fostering entrepreneurial and innovation skills in a lifelong learning perspective, **taking into account the gender dimension.**

Or. en

Amendment 281

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT support will build on policy initiatives such as the HEInnovate²⁴ and RIIA²⁵ frameworks that have proven their value in a number of HEIs and Member States across the EU. The EIT will design the support activities in close collaboration with the Commission ensuring coherence

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by the KICs while ensuring coherence and complementarity with relevant activities within Horizon Europe, *Erasmus and* other programmes. The specific details of the implementation and delivery mechanism process will be further developed and fine-tuned in the first three years *of the pilot project* and will be subject to monitoring. *Based on the results of an evaluation by independent external experts, the Governing Board will decide whether the pilot should be continued, upscaled up or discontinued.*

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Amendment 282

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

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Or. en

Amendment 283

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 5

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Or. en

Amendment 284 **Ignazio Corrao**

Proposal for a decision **Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 6**

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will play a steering and coordination role in the implementation and monitoring of the activities that will be run by the KICs. Particular attention **will be paid** to ensuring: an inclusive approach to attract HEIs beyond the KICs' partners; an inter-disciplinary and inter-sectoral approach; and a link with the European Commission Smart Specialization Strategy, relevant thematic platforms and the EIT RIS.

Amendment

The EIT, ***through its Governing Board***, will play a steering, ***supervising*** and coordination role in the implementation and monitoring of the activities that will be run by the KICs. ***Each KIC shall pay*** particular attention to ensuring: an ***open and*** inclusive approach to attract HEIs beyond the KICs' partners ***aiming to ensure the widest geographical coverage possible***; an inter-disciplinary and inter-sectoral approach; ***a broader participation of women in sectors where they are underrepresented*** and a link with the European Commission Smart Specialization Strategy, relevant thematic platforms ***such as the Policy Support Facility*** and the EIT RIS.

Justification

It is important EIT keeps playing its steering and supervising role over the activities of KICs.

Amendment 285**Klaus Buchner**

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 6***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Or. en

Amendment 286**Lina Gálvez Muñoz**

on behalf of the S&D Group

Josianne Cutajar, Carlos Zorrinho**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 6***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Or. en

Amendment 287

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will link its support to developing innovation capacity in higher education to the EIT Label, which is awarded currently to the KICs' education programmes. In particular, participating HEIs may be involved in the use of the EIT Label. The EIT will also extend the EIT Label to lifelong learning activities involving and reaching out to a wider target group of students, adult learners and institutions (including VET institutions) beyond the KICs. The application of the Label beyond the EIT community ***will*** have a more structuring effect at all levels (individual, programme and institution).

Amendment

The EIT will link its support to developing innovation capacity in higher education to the EIT Label, which is awarded currently to the KICs' education programmes. In particular, participating HEIs may be involved in the use of the EIT Label. The EIT will also extend the ***scope of the*** EIT Label to lifelong learning activities involving and reaching out to a wider target group of students, adult learners and institutions (including VET institutions) beyond the KICs. The application of the Label beyond the EIT community ***is expected to*** have a more structuring effect at all levels (individual, programme and institution). ***The EIT shall monitor the effectiveness of expanding the scope of the EIT label of the KICs' educational and training programmes.***

Or. en

Amendment 288

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho, Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

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Or. en

Amendment 289

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoş Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The ***EIT will*** in particular target HEIs from ***countries that are moderate*** and modest ***innovators and other low performing regions*** that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. The EIT ***will***

Amendment

The ***KICs shall implement their Higher Education initiatives through open and transparent calls for proposals. KICs shall*** in particular target HEIs from ***low R&I performing*** and modest ***and moderate innovator countries*** that wish to strengthen

allocate ***to this measure at least 25% of the overall*** budget allocated to these activities.

their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. The EIT ***KICs should*** allocate ***an adequate*** budget allocated to these activities ***and the eligibility criteria to be included in the calls shall ensure that a significant number of the HEIs involved in the projects come from outside of the KIC.***

Or. en

Justification

The scope of the HEI involved in the EIT education initiatives should be broadened beyond the KIC participants. The scope of the HEI measure should not be predetermined but decided upon the results of a pilot project.

Amendment 290

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will in particular target HEIs from countries that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. ***The EIT will allocate to this measure at least 25% of the overall budget allocated to these activities.***

Amendment

The EIT will in particular target HEIs from countries ***and regions*** that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies.

Or. en

Amendment 291

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will in particular target HEIs from countries that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. The EIT will allocate to this measure at least **25%** of the overall budget allocated to these activities.

Amendment

The EIT will in particular target HEIs from countries that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. The EIT will allocate to this measure at least **40%** of the overall budget allocated to these activities.

Or. en

Amendment 292

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.2 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT *will* in particular *target HEIs* from countries that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies. The EIT *will allocate to this measure at least 25% of the overall budget allocated to these activities.*

Amendment

The EIT *shall target HEIs across the Union, but* in particular from countries *and regions* that are moderate and modest innovators and other low performing regions that wish to strengthen their innovation footprint and Smart Specialisation Strategies, *as well as those HEIs that are not yet part of the EIT community.*

Or. en

Amendment 293

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 294**Klaus Buchner**

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – introductory part***Text proposed by the Commission**Amendment*

(1) Communication

(1) Communication **and dissemination****Amendment 295****Klaus Buchner**

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö**Proposal for a decision****Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission**Amendment*

The EIT **will** reinforce **its** communication and visibility. With a growing number of KICs and a new action supporting the entrepreneurial **development** of HEIs, the EIT will boost its efforts to increase its recognition as a quality brand for innovation. This brand management and improved communication is crucial especially towards citizens as the innovations coming out of the EIT contribute to demonstrate the concrete impact of EU investments through the European Research and Innovation Framework Programme. **The EIT will apply an improved branding strategy towards its main stakeholders (HEIs, research organisation, businesses, etc.) in all Member States and beyond, in line with Horizon Europe communication approach.**

The EIT **and the KICs shall** reinforce **their** communication and visibility **and apply an improved branding strategy towards their main stakeholders (HEIs, research organisation, businesses, civil society, local and regional authorities etc.) in all Member States and beyond in line with the Horizon Europe communication approach.** With a growing number of KICs and a new action supporting the **innovation and** entrepreneurial **capacity** of HEIs, the EIT will boost its efforts to increase its recognition as a quality brand for innovation. This brand management and improved communication is crucial especially towards citizens as the innovations coming out of the EIT **and its KICs** contribute to demonstrate the concrete impact of EU investments through the European Research and Innovation

Amendment 296

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 297

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In order to ensure wider dissemination and better understanding of the opportunities offered by the EIT, the EIT will explore the possibility to reinforce guidance and assistance on aspects related to participation in EIT KICs across Europe by building on existing networks of information across Europe.

In order to ensure wider dissemination and better understanding of the opportunities offered by the EIT, the EIT will explore the possibility to reinforce guidance and assistance, ***in particular through the dedicated network of country liaison officers following the structure of the National Contact Points for Horizon Europe***, on aspects related to participation in EIT KICs across Europe by building on existing networks of information across Europe.

Or. en

Amendment 298

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 299

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to ensure that a large stakeholder community across the knowledge triangle at EU, national, regional and local levels are aware of all EIT (and KICs) calls and funded projects, they will appear also in the ***European Funding and Tender Opportunities Portal***, under Horizon Europe.

Amendment

In order to ensure that a large stakeholder community across the knowledge triangle at EU, national, regional and local levels are aware of all EIT (and KICs) calls and funded projects, they will appear also in the ***common online database of EU funded research and innovation projects*** under Horizon Europe

Or. en

Amendment 300

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

EIT will organise regular meetings of the Member States' Representatives Group as well as Commission related services, ***at least twice a year***, to ensure an appropriate communication and flow of information with Member States ***and at EU level, and keep them informed of the performances and achievements of the EIT-funded activities***. The Member States' Representatives Group shall also ensure appropriate support to liaise EIT-supported activities with national programmes and initiatives, including the potential national co-financing of those activities.

Amendment

EIT will organise regular meetings of the Member States' Representatives Group as well as Commission related services, ***if necessary***, to ensure an appropriate communication and flow of information with Member States. The Member States' Representatives Group shall also ensure appropriate support to liaise EIT-supported activities with national programmes and initiatives, including the potential national co-financing of those activities.

Or. en

Amendment 301

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

EIT **will** organise **regular** meetings of the Member States' Representatives Group as well as Commission **related services, at least twice a year**, to ensure an appropriate communication and flow of information with Member States and at EU level, and keep them informed of the performances and achievements of the EIT-funded activities. The Member States' Representatives Group shall also ensure appropriate support to liaise EIT-supported activities with national programmes and initiatives, including the potential national co-financing of those activities.

Amendment

EIT **shall** organise **annual** meetings of the Member States' Representatives Group as well as Commission, **the European Parliament and EU advisory bodies, such as Committee of the Regions and the European Economic and Social Committee** to ensure an appropriate communication and flow of information with Member States and at EU level, and keep them informed of the performances and achievements of the EIT-funded activities. The Member States' Representatives Group shall also ensure appropriate support to liaise EIT-supported activities with national programmes and initiatives, including the potential national co-financing of those activities.

Or. en

Amendment 302

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 1 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

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co-financing of those activities.

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Or. en

Amendment 303

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has a key role in disseminating good practices and lessons learned. The KICs and the projects supporting innovation and entrepreneurial capacity of HEI are a valuable source of evidence and experimental learning for policy-makers, providing examples of good practices and support in the development and implementation of EU policy in their thematic domains.

Amendment

The EIT has a key role in disseminating good practices and lessons learned. ***The EIT and the KICs shall engage with Member States' national and regional authorities, with the Commission and the European Parliament, in particular with the Science and Technology Panel (STOA), to establish a structured dialogue including through the country liaison officers, in order to identify, share and disseminate good practices, learnings and opportunities.*** The KICs and the projects supporting innovation and entrepreneurial capacity of HEI are a valuable source of evidence and experimental learning for policy-makers, providing examples of good practices and support in the development and implementation of EU policy in their thematic domains.

Or. en

Amendment 304

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT has a key role in disseminating good practices and lessons learned. The KICs and the projects supporting innovation and entrepreneurial capacity of HEI are a valuable source of evidence and experimental learning for policy-makers, providing examples of good practices and support in the development and implementation of EU policy in their thematic domains.

Amendment

The EIT has a key role in **identifying and** disseminating good practices and lessons learned. The KICs and the projects supporting innovation and entrepreneurial capacity of HEI are a valuable source of evidence and experimental learning for policy-makers **and RDI stakeholders**, providing examples of good practices and support in the development and implementation of EU policy in their thematic domains.

Or. en

Amendment 305

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

So far, the good practices and learnings stemming from the KICs have not been sufficiently codified and disseminated effectively. In its support function as a knowledge partner for policy makers and the entire **innovation** community, the EIT will further develop its role as an innovation institute able to detect, analyse, codify, share and ensure the take-up of innovative practices, learnings and results from the EIT-funded activities (education & training, support to innovation, support to entrepreneurship) on a broader scale. This activity **will** build on the links and synergies with the other initiatives within the [Innovative Europe Pillar]of the [Horizon Europe proposal].

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Or. en

Amendment 306

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Within the scope of the EIT Regulation, the EIT *will seek greater impact of* its activities through international cooperation and *will coordinate* international **EIT-funded** activities *by* the KICs. Its focus *will* align closely with relevant industrial policy objectives of the European Union as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

Amendment

Within the scope of the EIT Regulation *and in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach to international cooperation*, the EIT *shall endeavour to ensure that* its activities *have a greater impact* through international cooperation and *shall monitor* international *and cross-KIC* activities *funded by the KICs. A better-defined long-term collaboration strategy is needed between EIT and* the KICs. Its focus *shall* align closely with relevant industrial policy objectives of the European Union as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

Or. en

Amendment 307

Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Within the scope of the EIT Regulation, the EIT will seek greater impact of its activities through international cooperation and will coordinate international EIT-funded activities by the KICs. Its focus will align closely with relevant industrial policy objectives of the European Union as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

Amendment

Within the scope of the EIT Regulation, the EIT will seek greater impact of its activities through international cooperation and will coordinate international EIT-funded activities by the KICs, *in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach to international cooperation and other relevant EU policies*. Its focus will align closely with relevant industrial

policy objectives of the European Union as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

Or. en

Amendment 308

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Within the scope of the EIT Regulation, the EIT will seek greater impact of its activities through international cooperation and will coordinate international EIT-funded activities by the KICs. Its focus will align closely with relevant *industrial* policy objectives *of the European Union* as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

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Within the scope of the EIT Regulation, the EIT will seek greater impact of its activities through international cooperation and will coordinate international EIT-funded activities by the KICs. Its focus will align closely with relevant *Union* policy objectives as well as its research and innovation priorities and ensuring European added value.

Or. en

Amendment 309

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

In its international cooperation the EIT, in consultation with the Commission, will focus on effective tackling of global societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives and the Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring

Amendment

The EIT and KICs will plan and perform their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT

access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions. The EIT and KICs will plan and perform their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT Governing Board.

Governing Board. ***The EIT shall provide guidance to and monitor the KICs' global outreach activities and international cross-KIC activities. In its international cooperation and global outreach activities the EIT, in consultation with the Commission, will focus on effective tackling of global societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives, such as the Mission Innovation, and the Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions.***

Or. en

Amendment 310 Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

In its international cooperation the EIT, in consultation with the Commission, ***will*** focus on effective tackling of global societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives and the Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions. The EIT and KICs ***will plan and*** perform their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT Governing Board.

Amendment

In its international cooperation ***and global outreach activities*** the EIT, in consultation with the ***KICs and the*** Commission, ***shall*** focus ***on positioning their innovation model among other successful innovation activities***, on effective tackling of global societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives and the Sustainable Development Goals, ***on*** ensuring access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions. The EIT and KICs ***shall plan*** perform ***and report on*** their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT Governing Board.

Or. en

Justification

This task should be in the hand of the EIT in consultation with the KICs and not the other way around.

Amendment 311

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.3 – point 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

In its international cooperation the EIT, in consultation with the Commission, will focus on effective tackling of global societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives and the Sustainable Development Goals, ensuring access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions. The EIT and KICs will plan and perform their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT Governing Board.

Amendment

In its international cooperation the EIT, in consultation with the Commission, will focus on effective tackling of global ***and*** societal challenges, contributing to relevant international initiatives and the Sustainable Development Goals ***and tackling climate change***, ensuring access to talent and enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions. The EIT and KICs will plan and perform their international activities in close collaboration with the Commission, in compliance with the Horizon Europe approach and other relevant EU policies, and under the supervision of the EIT Governing Board.

Or. en

Amendment 312

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

This section includes a number of measures that aim to adapt and improve the current functioning of the EIT and the KICs. An effective and strategic EIT

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Governing Board **will** monitor the implementation of those measures at the EIT level, and **will** provide the necessary incentives and control, including through the funding allocation process, to ensure that the KICs implement them.

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Or. en

Amendment 313

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Mauri Pekkarinen, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoş Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to **maximize** their performance and impact.

Amendment

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with **the requirements stemming from** Horizon Europe **and with its** priorities in order to **maximise** their performance and impact, **based on a long-term collaboration strategy between the EIT and the KICs. Appropriate measures may be taken where a KIC underperforms or fails to achieve the expected results and impact.**

Or. en

Justification

Guidance should be provided on a long-term basis, so as to avoid the risk of creating uncertainty with the partners, which is one of the biggest threats for anecosystem.

Amendment 314

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and monitor the KICs *on* compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact.

Amendment

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and monitor the KICs *to ensure* compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact. *A better-defined long-term collaboration strategy between EIT and the KICs is needed.*

Or. en

Amendment 315

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact.

Amendment

The EIT will provide operational guidance to and *continuously* monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management *and good governance* principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact.

Or. en

Amendment 316

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will provide operational guidance **to** and monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact.

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The EIT will provide operational guidance and monitor the KICs on compliance with sound management principles, the principles and criteria set out for European Partnerships in the Horizon Europe regulation and alignment with Horizon Europe priorities in order to maximize their performance and impact.

Or. en

Amendment 317

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs and transparency during implementation will be improved notably by **including** common provisions for new members that add value to the partnerships. They **will** also run their activities in a fully transparent way. KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) **will** be made more transparent and inclusive. **Finally**, KICs will **increase the share of calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities.** Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners in their

Amendment

The EIT shall make sure that the measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs and transparency during implementation will be improved notably by ***adopting and applying transparent and clear criteria for the inclusion of new partners, by a continuous monitoring of the effectiveness of the measures and other*** common provisions for new members that add value to the partnerships. They ***shall*** also run their activities in a fully transparent way, ***including through a systematic use of open calls for projects, for partners and for the establishment of new CLCs. When selecting projects and partners, and when is strictly necessary to separate proposals of equal quality, after an assessment based on the excellence criterion, KICs shall give priority to those proposals that:***

regular reporting.

- *include a higher number of low R&I performing regions or countries, according to the European Innovation Scoreboard, the Regional Innovation Scoreboard and the Widening countries as established by Horizon Europe;*
- *include a higher number of regions or countries that are not yet participating in the KIC community;*
- *involve regions and countries that commit to contribute with ESI funds;*
- *involve a higher number of SMEs;*
- *ensure a better gender balance.*

KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the **multi-annual** Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) **shall** be made more transparent, **open** and inclusive. KICs will **make public in a timely and accurate way, using the Horizon Europe database, the necessary detailed data and information about which projects are funded and under which funding allocation process.** Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners **and beneficiaries** in their regular reporting..

Or. en

Amendment 318
Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs and transparency during implementation will be improved notably by **including** common provisions for new members that add value to the partnerships. They **will** also run their activities in a fully transparent way. KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) **will** be made more transparent and inclusive. **Finally, KICs will increase the share of calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities.** Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners in their regular reporting.

The EIT shall make sure that the measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs and transparency during implementation will be improved notably by ***adopting and applying coherent, transparent and clear criteria for the inclusion of new partners, by a continuous monitoring of the effectiveness of the measures and other*** common provisions for new members that add value to the partnerships. They ***shall*** also run their activities in a fully transparent way, ***including through a systematic use of open calls for projects, for partners and for the establishment of new CLCs. When selecting partners, projects or new co-location centres, excellence will be the criterion of choice. In case of equal quality of evaluation results, KICs shall give priority to those proposals that:***

- include a higher number of regions and countries that are mediocre and moderate innovators according to the European Innovation Scorebook and the Regional Innovation Scoreboard;***
- involve regions and countries that commit to contribute with ESI funds;***
- involve a higher number of SMEs;***
- ensure a better gender balance.***

KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) **shall** be made more transparent, **open** and inclusive. ***The EIT Governing Board shall allocate an adequate budget,***

of at least 3% of the enveloped envisaged to fund KICs, for the establishment of new Co-location centres, as these are necessary interfaces between KICs and local actors of the triangle of knowledge. Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners **and beneficiaries** in their regular reporting.

Or. en

Justification

It is important to introduce the use of the European Innovation Scoreboard and Regional Innovation scoreboard as these are official EU tools to define regions and countries underperforming in research and innovations. Also co-location centres are extremely important as they are the innovation hubs of KICs. It would be important to open more of them, especially in underperforming regions, as they could be the driving force for their developments.

Amendment 319

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs **and** transparency during implementation will be **improved notably by including common provisions** for new members that add value to the partnerships. **They will** also run their activities in a fully transparent way. KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence **and strategic fit**. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) will be made more transparent and

Amendment

The EIT shall ensure continuous openness of the KICs **to new members as well as increased** transparency during implementation. **This will be achieved by applying clear, transparent and consistent accession and exit criteria** for new members that add value to the partnerships **by a continuous monitoring of the effectiveness of the measures. They shall** also run their activities in a fully transparent way, **including through the systematic use of open calls**. KICs will remain **open and** dynamic partnerships that new partners **across the Union**, including an increasing share of SMEs **and start-ups, that** can join on the basis of excellence, **added value and their ability to contribute to innovation ecosystems at regional,**

inclusive. Finally, KICs **will** increase the share of calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities. Finally, KICs **should** report on the involvement of new partners in their regular reporting.

national and EU level. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners ***and geographical coverage,*** the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) ***and the selection of new co-location centres and related funding decisions*** will be made more transparent and inclusive. ***Information on which projects are funded and on allocation of the funding shall be made publicly available immediately and in an easy and accessible manner.*** Finally, KICs **shall** increase the share of ***open*** calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities. Finally, KICs **shall** report on the involvement of new partners ***and beneficiaries*** in their regular reporting.

Or. en

Amendment 320

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

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Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

The EIT shall ensure that continuous openness of the KICs will be improved notably by ***ensuring that KICs apply coherent, clear and transparent accession criteria*** for new members that add value to the partnerships, ***as well as other provisions like transparent procedures for preparation of their business plans and by systemically monitoring KICs' activities.*** They will also run their activities in a fully transparent way. KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners,

benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) will be made more transparent and inclusive. Finally, KICs will increase the share of calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities. Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners in their regular reporting.

including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the Business Plan (including the identification of priorities, the selection of activities and the allocation of funds) will be made more transparent and inclusive. ***Furthermore, transparency of the funding should be increased in a manner that provides publicly available information on which projects are funded and on allocation of the funding.*** Finally, KICs will increase the share of calls, in particular for innovation projects that are open to third parties. All these measures will increase the number of participating entities involved in KICs' activities. Finally, KICs should report on the involvement of new partners in their regular reporting.

Or. en

Amendment 321

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Mauri Pekkarinen, Fredrick Federley, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Measures ensuring continuous openness of the KICs and transparency during implementation will be improved notably by including common provisions for new members that add value to the partnerships. They will also run their activities in a fully transparent way. KICs will remain dynamic partnerships that new partners, including an increasing share of SMEs, can join on the basis of excellence and strategic fit. In order to limit the concentration of funding and ensure that KICs activities benefit from a wide network of partners, the procedure for the preparation of the

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Or. en

Justification

As EIT money is taxpayers' money, it should be public knowledge which projects are funded and how much money goes to different actors (e.g. in a similar manner as funding of Horizon2020 projects is visible in CORDIS).

Amendment 322

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Marisa Matias, Susana Solís Pérez, Ivars Ijabs, Klaus Buchner, Robert Roos

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they **will** ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations **will be** implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of

Amendment

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they **shall** ensure an appropriate **and continuous** balance of education, **research**, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. **The EIT shall monitor that** KICs operations **are** implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their

activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives. ***In order to decrease the administrative burden, the KICs' Business Plans and the EIT grants for the KICs shall cover a period of up to three years, while the KICs activities shall continue to be reported annually.***

Or. en

Amendment 323

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Amendment

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure ***and preserving the existing necessary derogations from the Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement*** that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 324

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, **they** will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient **and** cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and **overhead** costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Amendment

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, **the EIT and the KICs** will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship **and research** and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient, cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and **management** costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 325

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Fredrick Federley, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoş Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Amendment

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a **reasonable** minimum. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 326

Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a **minimum**. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Amendment

As KICs operate across the entire value chain of innovation, they will ensure an appropriate balance of education, entrepreneurship and innovation activities in their Business Plan portfolio. KICs operations will be implemented through a lean, efficient and cost-effective structure that would keep administrative and overhead costs to a **maximum of 3%**. EIT will ensure that KICs will achieve their expected impacts through a broad range of activities, identified in the KICs' Business Plans, which effectively support the fulfilment of their objectives.

Or. en

Amendment 327

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative **will** be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT **will** ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments.

Amendment

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative **shall** be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT **shall** ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments. **Yet, the priority for the KICs shall be to diversify their revenues and leverage other investments for their R&I activities rather than to rely on contributions from their partners. Any effort towards**

financial sustainability shall not lead to increases of tuition-fees or membership fees from partners, nor to a reduction of the grant funding mechanism in favour of other financial instruments, such as loans or blended finance, except for close-to-market activities. Tuition-fees or membership fees must remain commensurate to ensure the participation of small entities, such as SMEs.

Or. en

Amendment 328

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative **will** be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT **will** ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments.

Amendment

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative **shall** be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT **shall** ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments. ***In pursuing the financial sustainability of their activities, the KICs should look for a wide range of revenue and investment sources. Any effort towards financial sustainability shall neither lead to an increase in tuition-fees nor to a disadvantage for smaller companies, such as SMEs and start-ups, in terms of membership fees nor reduced provision of grants.***

Or. en

Amendment 329

Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 4 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative will be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT will ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments.

Amendment

Commitments from each KIC's partner throughout the contractual duration of the initiative will be ensured by regularly monitoring the actual partner's contributions against the original commitments. EIT will ensure that KICs have a risk management system in place for cases where some partners are not able to meet their original commitments.
However, KICs should prioritise the diversification of revenues in order to achieve financial sustainability as soon as possible.

Or. en

Amendment 330
Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Through a lean and simplified funding model, the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase the value added of its support, the EIT **will** adapt its funding model. There are four main areas where the EIT will implement improvements.

Amendment

The EIT should ensure a balanced distribution of the budget throughout the years and a smooth transition from the current and the next MFF period, in particular for the ongoing activities.
Through a lean and simplified funding model the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase the value added of its support, the EIT **shall** adapt its funding model ***in order to increase over time the commitments from KICs' partners or from other private and public***

sources. There are four main areas where the EIT will implement improvements.

Or. en

Amendment 331

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Marisa Matias, Robert Roos, Susana Solís Pérez, Ivars Ijabs, Klaus Buchner

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Through a lean and simplified funding model, the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase the value added of its support, the EIT *will* adapt its funding model. There are four main areas where the EIT will implement improvements.

Amendment

Through a lean and simplified funding model, the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase the value added of its support, the EIT *shall* adapt its funding model *in order to increase, over time, the commitments from the KICs' partners and from other private and public sources*. There are four main areas where the EIT will implement improvements.

Or. en

Amendment 332

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Through a lean and simplified funding model, the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase the value

Amendment

Through a lean and simplified funding model, the EIT will enhance the impact and contribution of KICs towards reaching the objectives of *the EIT and* the Horizon Europe Programme. In order to increase

added of its support, the EIT will adapt its funding model. There are four main areas where the EIT will implement improvements.

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Or. en

Amendment 333

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Firstly, the EIT will introduce a co-funding rate in order to increase the levels of private and public investments. The adaptation of the funding model will facilitate the KICs ***in the transition towards*** financial sustainability. It will incentivise them to decrease gradually during the duration of the framework partnership agreements the share of EIT funding in their Business Plan while increasing the level of co-investment from non-EIT sources. Fixed decreasing co-funding rates will be applicable across phases of the entire KICs' life cycle (start-up, ramp-up, maturity, exit from the EIT grant) as presented below.

Amendment

Firstly, the EIT will introduce a co-funding rate in order to increase the levels of private and public investments. The adaptation of the funding model will facilitate ***their efforts to leverage investments other than revenues from their partners, thus facilitating*** the KICs ***to leverage increasing additional public and private revenue and investments, in order to achieve*** financial sustainability. It will incentivise them to decrease gradually during the duration of the framework partnership agreements the share of EIT funding in their Business Plan while increasing the level of co-investment from non-EIT sources. ***EIT funding will be directly tied to progress made towards the achievement of the KICs objectives and expected impact and may be discontinued in the case of persistent lack of results in accordance with Article 11 of the EIT Regulation.*** Fixed decreasing co-funding rates will be applicable across phases of the entire KICs' life cycle (start-up, ramp-up, maturity, exit from the EIT grant) as presented below.

Or. en

Justification

The decreasing co-funding rates should be included in the main act (EIT Regulation).

Amendment 334

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Marisa Matias, Robert Roos

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Firstly, the EIT will introduce a co-funding rate in order to increase the levels of private and public investments. ***The adaptation of the funding model will facilitate the KICs in the transition towards financial sustainability. It will incentivise them to decrease gradually during the duration of the framework partnership agreements the share of EIT funding in their Business Plan while increasing the level of co-investment from non-EIT sources. Fixed decreasing co-funding rates will be applicable across phases of the entire KICs' life cycle (start-up, ramp-up, maturity, exit from the EIT grant) as presented below.***

Amendment

Firstly, the EIT will ***apply the appropriate co-funding rates*** introduce a co-funding rate in order to increase the levels of private and public investments, ***other than revenues from their partners, thus facilitating*** the KICs in the transition towards financial sustainability. ***The EIT shall adapt the share of the funding according to the KICs' Business Plan while increasing the level of co-investment from non-EIT sources. EIT funding shall be performance-based, shall incentivise impact and reward success, shall be directly tied to the progress made towards the achievement of the KICs' objectives, and may be discontinued in the case of a persistent lack of results.***

Or. en

Amendment 335

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Firstly, the EIT will ***introduce a*** co-funding rate in order to increase ***the*** levels

Amendment

Firstly, the EIT will ***gradually decrease the*** co-funding rate in order to ***incentivise the***

of private and public investments. The adaptation of the funding model will facilitate the KICs in the transition towards financial sustainability. It will incentivise them to decrease gradually during the duration of the framework partnership agreements the share of EIT funding in their Business Plan while increasing the level of co-investment from non-EIT sources. Fixed decreasing co-funding rates will be applicable across phases of the entire KICs' life cycle (start-up, ramp-up, maturity, exit from the EIT grant) as presented below.

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Or. en

Amendment 336

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Secondly, the grant allocation process **currently used will be geared more strongly towards** competitive performance **and results** and the use of multiannual grants. The EIT Governing Board will provide stronger incentives to KICs in particular based on their individual performance in order to ensure the highest level of impact. The EIT will therefore amend its competitive funding provisions in order to improve its impact as part of Horizon Europe.

Amendment

Secondly, **the EIT will ensure that** the grant allocation process **is based on** competitive performance and the use of multiannual grants **will be increased**. The EIT Governing Board will provide stronger incentives to KICs in particular based on their individual performance in order to ensure the highest level of impact. The EIT will therefore amend its competitive funding provisions in order to improve its impact as part of Horizon Europe.

Or. en

Amendment 337

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Secondly, the grant allocation process currently used will be geared more strongly towards competitive performance **and** results and the use of multiannual grants. The EIT Governing Board will provide stronger incentives to KICs in particular based on their individual performance in order to ensure the highest level of impact. ***The EIT will therefore amend its competitive funding provisions in order to improve its impact as part of Horizon Europe.***

Amendment

Secondly, the grant allocation process currently used will be geared more strongly towards competitive performance, results **and impact** and the use of multiannual grants. ***EIT funding shall be tied to progress in accordance with Article 11 of the EIT Regulation.*** The EIT Governing Board will provide stronger incentives to KICs in particular based on their individual performance in order to ensure the highest level of impact.

Or. en

Amendment 338

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Thirdly, the EIT will apply strict rules for reinforcing the review mechanism prior to the expiry of the first 7 years initial period of KIC's operations. ***This*** mid-term review ***to*** be undertaken ***with the help of*** external experts ***should*** be in line with the best international practice, in line with Horizon Europe criteria for the monitoring and evaluation of European Partnerships and take place before the expiry of the initial seven years period. As a result of the review, a decision will be made by the Governing Board to either continue the financial contribution to a KIC, ***or to discontinue it*** (thus not extending the framework partnership agreement with that KIC) and reallocate the resources to better performing activities.

Amendment

Thirdly, the EIT will apply strict rules for reinforcing the review mechanism prior to the expiry of the first 7 years initial period of KIC's operations. ***The*** mid-term review ***shall*** be undertaken ***by*** external experts ***and shall*** be in line with the best international practice, in line with Horizon Europe criteria for the monitoring and evaluation of European Partnerships and ***criteria identified in Article 11 of the EIT Regulation.*** ***The review shall*** take place before the expiry of the initial seven years period. As a result of the review, a decision will be made by the Governing Board, ***in accordance with Article 11(3) of the EIT Regulation,*** to either continue, ***reduce, modify or withdraw*** the financial contribution to a KIC (thus not extending

the framework partnership agreement with that KIC) and reallocate the resources to better performing activities.

Or. en

Amendment 339

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Thirdly, the EIT will apply strict rules for reinforcing the review mechanism prior to the expiry of the first 7 years initial period of KIC's operations. This mid-term review to be undertaken with the help of external experts should be in line with the best international practice, in line with Horizon Europe criteria for the monitoring and evaluation of European Partnerships and take place before the expiry of the initial seven years period. As a result of the review, a decision will be made by the Governing Board to either continue the financial contribution to a KIC, or to discontinue it (thus not extending the framework partnership agreement with that KIC) and reallocate the resources to better performing activities.

Amendment

Thirdly, the EIT will apply strict rules for reinforcing the review mechanism prior to the expiry of the first 7 years initial period of KIC's operations. This mid-term review to be undertaken with the help of external **and independent** experts should be in line with the best international practice, in line with Horizon Europe criteria for the monitoring and evaluation of European Partnerships and take place before the expiry of the initial seven years period. As a result of the review, a decision will be made by the Governing Board to either continue the financial contribution to a KIC, or to discontinue it (thus not extending the framework partnership agreement with that KIC) and reallocate the resources to better performing activities.

Or. en

Amendment 340

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 6

Finally, the EIT **will continue** its efforts towards simplification in order to alleviate unnecessary administrative burden²⁷ of the KIC, allowing the implementation of their annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, when appropriate, under the respective framework partnership agreements. These multi-annual grant agreements should not exceed 3 years.

5a) Reducing the administrative burden

The EIT **shall ramp up** its efforts towards simplification in order to alleviate unnecessary administrative burden of the KIC, allowing the implementation of their annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, when appropriate, under the respective framework partnership agreements. These multi-annual grant agreements should not exceed 3 years. **The EIT shall build trust with the KICs and evaluate their output instead of their process.**

²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

Amendment 341

Ivars Ijabs, Susana Solís Pérez, Mauri Pekkarinen, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Klemen Grošelj, Dragoș Pîslaru, Nils Torvalds

Proposal for a decision**Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 6***Text proposed by the Commission*

Finally, the EIT will *continue* its efforts towards simplification ***in order to alleviate unnecessary*** administrative burden²⁷ ***of the KIC***, allowing the implementation of their ***annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy*** in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, ***when appropriate***, under the respective framework partnership agreements. ***These multi-annual grant agreements should not exceed 3 years.***

²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

Amendment

Finally, the EIT will ***further increase*** its efforts towards simplification ***and reduction of the*** administrative burden ***for the KICs***, allowing the implementation of their multi-annual ***Business Plans*** in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs under the respective framework partnership agreements.

Amendment 342

Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group
Miapetra Kumpula-Natri

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Finally, the EIT will continue its efforts towards simplification in order to alleviate unnecessary administrative burden²⁷ of the KIC, allowing the implementation of their annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, when appropriate, under the respective framework partnership agreements. These multi-annual grant agreements should ***not exceed*** 3 years.

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Amendment

Finally, the EIT will continue its efforts towards simplification in order to alleviate unnecessary administrative burden²⁷ of the KIC, allowing the implementation of their annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, when appropriate, under the respective framework partnership agreements. These multi-annual grant agreements should ***be with a duration of at least*** 3 years.

²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

Or. en

Amendment 343

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Finally, the EIT will ***continue*** its efforts towards simplification ***in order to alleviate unnecessary*** administrative burden²⁷ ***of the KIC***, allowing the implementation of their ***annual Business Plan and*** multi-annual ***strategy*** in an agile and efficient way. This

Amendment

Finally, the EIT will ***further increase*** its efforts towards simplification ***and reduction of the*** administrative burden²⁷ ***for the KICs***, allowing the implementation of their multi-annual ***Business Plans*** in an agile and efficient way. This will include

will include the use of ***lump sum*** or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide ***a better*** planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, ***when appropriate***, under the respective framework partnership agreements. These multi-annual grant agreements should ***not exceed 3*** years.

²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

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²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

Or. en

Amendment 344

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 5 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Finally, the EIT will continue its efforts towards simplification in order to alleviate unnecessary administrative burden²⁷ of the KIC, allowing the implementation of their annual Business Plan and multi-annual strategy in an agile and efficient way. This will include the use of lump sum or unit costs for relevant KIC activities. Moreover, in order to provide a better planning of the resources, in particular of innovation activities, as well as facilitate stronger commitment and long-term investment from participating partners in KICs activities, the EIT will sign multi-annual grant agreements with KICs, ***when***

Amendment

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²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

²⁷ In particular, the annual reporting on KIC complementary activities would be discontinued, as recommended by the Court of Auditors in its Special Report of 2016 (Recommendation 1, p. 51).

Or. en

Amendment 345

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Subject to an in-depth independent study in close cooperation with the Commission, by the end of 2023, the EIT will ***define its relations with the KICs that will stop receiving support grants*** in the course of the 2021-2027 programming period. Subject to a positive outcome of ***a final review***, the EIT may conclude a “Memorandum of ***Co-operation***” with ***each KIC***, aiming to maintain cooperation with KICs after the termination of the framework partnership agreement. This Memorandum should include, inter alia, rights and obligations linked to:

Amendment

Subject to an in-depth independent study in close cooperation with the Commission, by the end of 2023, the EIT will ***assess those KICs whose Framework Partnership Agreement will come to an end*** in the course of the 2021-2027 programming period ***and define their relationship thereafter***. Subject to a positive outcome of ***an in depth review by external independent experts and a positive decision of its Governing Board***, the EIT may, ***pursuant Article 11 of the EIT Regulation, decide to:***

- extend the framework partnership agreement until the end of the current programming period, if the evaluation shows that certain activities by the KIC cannot yet be financially sustainable, but remain crucial for the fulfilment of its tasks, activities and capabilities in responding to societal challenges and hence still need financial support from the EIT to allow the KICs to become

financially sustainable. In accordance with Article 11 of the EIT Regulation, such extension shall be subject to certain conditions and be limited in scope, budget and time;

- conclude a "Memorandum of **Cooperation**" with the KIC aiming to maintain cooperation with KICs after the termination of the framework partnership agreement. This Memorandum should include, inter alia, rights and obligations linked to:

Or. en

Amendment 346

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Subject to an in-depth independent study in close cooperation with the Commission, by the end of 2023, the EIT will define *its relations with the* KICs that will stop receiving support grants in the course of the 2021-2027 programming period.

Subject to a positive outcome of a final review, the EIT may conclude a "Memorandum of Co-operation" **with each** KIC, aiming to maintain cooperation with KICs after the termination of the framework partnership agreement. This Memorandum should include, inter alia, rights and obligations linked to:

Amendment

The EIT shall develop the general principles for the relation with KICs after the termination of the framework partnership agreement in line with Horizon Europe framework for European Partnerships. Subject to an in-depth independent study in close cooperation with the Commission, by the end of 2023, the EIT will **assess and** define **the impact and results of the three** KICs that will stop receiving support grants in the course of the 2021-2027 programming period **and shall define its relations with them thereafter.** **After** a positive outcome of a final review **by independent experts and subject to a decision by the Governing Board,** the EIT may **decide:**

- **to extend the framework partnership agreement until the end of the current programming period, if the evaluation shows that certain education, training and horizontally structured activities still need financial support from the EIT to allow**

the KICs to become financially sustainable;

- ***to*** conclude a “Memorandum of Co-operation” (***MoC***) ***with a*** KIC, aiming to maintain cooperation with ***it*** after the termination of the framework partnership agreement. This Memorandum should include, inter alia, rights and obligations linked to:

Or. en

Amendment 347

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— ***the*** use of the EIT brand, participation in EIT Awards and in other initiatives organized by the EIT;

Amendment

— ***rights and obligations linked to the continuation of the knowledge triangle activities as well as maintenance of the KIC's ecosystem and network,*** use of the EIT brand, participation in EIT Awards and in other initiatives organized by the EIT; ***the use of the EIT Label for education & training programmes; and relations with the EIT Alumni Community;***

Or. en

Amendment 348

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

— ***the use of the EIT Label for education & training programmes;***

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 349

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

— participation in EIT competitive calls for cross-KIC activities and shared services;

Amendment

— **conditions for** participation in EIT competitive calls for cross-KIC activities and shared services;

Or. en

Amendment 350

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.4 – point 6 – paragraph 1 – indent 4

Text proposed by the Commission

— **relations with the EIT Alumni Community.**

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 351

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.5 – paragraph 6 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— The new Creative Europe Programme will be specifically relevant for the activities of a future KIC on **CCI**.
Strong synergies and complementarities

Amendment

— The new Creative Europe Programme will be specifically relevant for the activities of a future KIC on **CCS**.
Strong synergies and complementarities

will be developed with the programme in areas such as creative skills, jobs and business models.

will be developed with the programme in areas such as creative skills, jobs and business models, ***while also taking into account the working conditions and contractual situations of people working in the CCS.***

Or. en

Amendment 352

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 – point 3.5 – paragraph 6 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

— The new Creative Europe Programme will be specifically relevant for the activities of a future KIC on ***CCI***. Strong synergies and complementarities will be developed with the programme in areas such as creative skills, jobs and business models.

Amendment

— The new Creative Europe Programme will be specifically relevant for the activities of a future KIC on ***CCS***. Strong synergies and complementarities will be developed with the programme in areas such as creative skills, jobs and business models.

Or. en

Amendment 353

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Marisa Matias, Susana Solís Pérez, Ivars Ijabs, Klaus Buchner

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3 a. The crisis resulting from the outbreak of COVID-19

Major social, economic, environmental and technological changes deriving from the outbreak of COVID-19 will require the collaboration of all Union institutions,

bodies, offices and agencies and the EIT should contribute to the innovation efforts that are needed in order to provide a coherent response to the crisis. The EIT should ensure that the KICs help deliver innovative solutions in different fields of action, in accordance with the priorities of the Union's recovery plan, European Green Deal, the Union Industrial Strategy and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, in order to contribute to the recovery of our societies and economy and strengthen their sustainability and resilience. Each KIC should develop a two-year strategic plan to contribute in mitigating the effects of the crisis on the economy, in particular the upheaval of society, and the contraction of investment. Specific attention should be paid to actions aiming to increase the resilience of their innovation ecosystems and in particular, of microenterprises, small and medium-sized enterprises and start-ups, but also of students, researchers, entrepreneurs and employees who have been hit hardest by the crisis.

The EIT should ensure that the KICs are able to operate with the necessary flexibility to adapt to the increasing demands arising from the COVID-19 crisis and in order to respond to the European recovery plan. The KICs, in synergy with other innovation strands and agencies, may propose initiatives aiming to support the current innovation ecosystem based on the knowledge triangle. They may publish dedicated calls for proposals, promote initiatives using their partnerships, ecosystems and communities, elaborate individual and cross-KIC projects to support sustainable business restructuring, identify SMEs, start-ups and other stakeholders that need support. They should be flexible enough to create "fit-for-purpose" support measures for their partners and beneficiaries and even beyond their existing communities. They will need to adapt to a period of more decentralised

and remote working methods, less travel, more uncertainty and continued physical distancing. They are to help partners, their beneficiaries and students with innovative collaborative tools, instruments, information and support services.

Towards the end of 2023, the EIT Governing Board, in coordination with the Commission, shall assess whether to extend the duration of each KIC's COVID-19 related initiatives.

Or. en

Amendment 354

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group
Marisa Matias

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3 b. EIT Health should collate expertise and gather data and information for the development of vaccines, testing methods and medical treatments for COVID-19. EIT Health should put in place horizontal platforms that can support research and development in vaccine-related initiatives by academia, industry, in particular small and medium-sized enterprises, and by other organisations that have experience with preclinical expertise, vaccine trials and the production of clinical trial material.

Or. en

Amendment 355

Klaus Buchner
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group
Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 are **EUR [3000] million** and are based on **three** main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements will come to an end by 2024) and the launch of two new KICs (in **2022 and 2025**); **2) the launch of a new EIT support and coordination action; and 3) administrative expenditure.**

Amendment

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 are **4% of Horizon Europe's Innovative Europe Pillar (Pillar III)** and are based on **two** main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements will come to an end by 2024) and the launch of two new KICs (in **2024 and 2026**); **and 2) administrative expenditure.**

Or. en

Amendment 356
Lina Gálvez Muñoz
on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 **are EUR [3000] million and are** based on **three** main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements will come to an end by 2024) and the launch of two new KICs (in 2022 and 2025); **2) the launch of a new EIT support and coordination action; and 3) administrative expenditure.**

Amendment

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 **is of 4% of the Horizon Europe and** based on **two** main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements **as it is** will come to an end by 2024) and the launch of two new KICs (in 2022 and 2025); **and 2) administrative expenditure.**

Or. en

Amendment 357
Robert Roos
on behalf of the ECR Group

Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Ryszard Antoni Legutko, Elżbieta Kruk, Grzegorz Tobiszowski, Beata Szydło, Evžen Tošenovský, Izabela-Helena Kloc

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 are EUR [3000] million and are based on three main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements will come to an end by 2024) and *the* launch of *two* new KICs (*in 2022 and 2025*); 2) the launch of a new EIT support and coordination action; and 3) administrative expenditure.

Amendment

The EIT's budget needs in the period 2021-2027 are EUR [3000] million and are based on three main components: 1) the expenditure for the existing eight KICs (reflecting that for three of them the framework partnership agreements will come to an end by 2024) and *a possible* launch of *a* new KICs); 2) the launch of a new EIT support and coordination action; and 3) administrative expenditure.

Or. en

Amendment 358

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around **EUR [2500]** million (**83,3 %** of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs **and includes EUR [200]** million **for** the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. **The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million.** Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Amendment

Around **96,7 % (EUR 4640 million)** of the total EIT budget is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs **of which:**

- at least 10 to 15 % (EUR 464 to 696 million) measures under the Regional

Innovation Scheme.

- maximum 3 % (EUR 120 million) for the start-up phase of the pilot to help to develop the entrepreneurial and innovation capacity of HEIs. Depending on the outcome of the mid-term evaluation this could be increased and dedicated for the scale-up of the pilot (final 4 years).

- 5,5 % (EUR 250 million) for the launch of calls for two possible new KICs (based on a positive mid-term review).

Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [2400] million of other public and private sources.

Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 359

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Patrizia Toia

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs *and includes EUR [200] million* for the Regional Innovation Scheme. *Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. The budget* for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) *will be around EUR [300] million*. Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Amendment

Around EUR 96,7 % of the total EIT budget is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs *of which:*

- **at least 10 % shall be dedicated** for the Regional Innovation Scheme

- **at least 3 % for the launch of a pilot action new to strengthen the entrepreneurial and innovation capacity of HEIs;**

- **around 10 %** for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively). Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

- **at least 7 % shall be dedicated to cross-KIC activities, including competitive calls addressed to KICs for which the framework partnership agreement is terminated;**

Through the introduction of a gradually decreasing EIT funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise an additional 50 % of funds from other public and private sources.

Or. en

Amendment 360

Robert Roos

on behalf of the ECR Group

Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Ryszard Antoni Legutko, Elżbieta Kruk, Grzegorz Tobiszowski, Beata Szydło, Evžen Tošenovský, Izabela-Helena Kloc

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. ***The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300]***

Amendment

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources.

million. Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 361
Ignazio Corrao

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million. Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Amendment

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme, **and an adequate amount, of at least 3 %, for the establishment of new co-location centres.** Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million. Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Or. en

Justification

Co-location centres are extremely important as they are the innovation hubs of KICs. It would be important to open more of them, especially in underperforming regions, as they could be the driving force for their developments. For these reasons a budget dedicated to opening new CLCs should be foreseen.

Amendment 362
Elena Lizzi

Proposal for a decision
Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million. ***Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.***

Amendment

Around EUR [2500] million (83,3 % of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs and includes EUR [200] million for the Regional Innovation Scheme. Through the introduction of a co-funding rate, the KICs are expected to mobilise a further EUR [1500] million of other public and private sources. The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million ***each.***

Or. en

Amendment 363

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Around ***EUR [2500] million (83,3 %*** of the total EIT budget) is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs ***and includes EUR [200] million*** for the Regional Innovation Scheme. ***Through the introduction of a co-funding rate***, the KICs are expected to mobilise ***a further EUR [1500] million of*** other public and private sources. ***The budget for the launch of two new KICs (to be launched in 2022 and 2025, respectively) will be around EUR [300] million.*** Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Amendment

Around ***96,7 %*** of the total EIT budget is envisaged to fund existing and new KICs ***of which:***

- at least 15 % for the Regional Innovation Scheme;

- around 10 % for the launch of two new KICs, in 2022 and in 2025 respectively.

The KICs are expected to mobilise further

funding from other public and private sources. Should additional budget to that of the EIT become available, the EIT could also launch additional KICs.

Or. en

Amendment 364

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The EIT will launch a new support action to help develop the entrepreneurial and innovation capacity of HEIs. This action will require horizontal project management and monitoring services. Around EUR [400] million of the EIT budget (max. 14%) is needed to implement these activities, with EUR [120] million dedicated to the start-up phase (first 3 years) and the rest for the scale-up phase (final 4 years)

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Or. en

Amendment 365

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The EIT will launch a new support action to help develop the entrepreneurial and innovation capacity of HEIs. This action will require horizontal project management and monitoring services. Around EUR [400] million of the EIT

deleted

budget (max. 14%) is needed to implement these activities, with EUR [120] million dedicated to the start-up phase (first 3 years) and the rest for the scale-up phase (final 4 years)

Or. en

Justification

For reasons of streamlining this paragraph has been integrated in the first paragraph of this section (4.1. Budget needs).

Amendment 366

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.1 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT will continue to be a lean and dynamic organisation. The costs of administrative expenditure, covering necessary staff, administrative, infrastructure and operational expenses, will increase but on average not exceed 3% of the EIT budget. Part of the administrative expenditure is covered by Hungary through provision of free of charge office space until the end of 2029. ***On this basis, administrative expenditure will therefore be approximately EUR 73 million for 2021-2027. The budget breakdown is presented below:***

Amendment

The EIT will continue to be a lean and dynamic organisation. The ***EIT*** costs of administrative expenditure, covering necessary staff, administrative, infrastructure and operational expenses, will increase but on average not exceed 3% of the EIT budget. Part of the administrative expenditure is covered by Hungary through provision of free of charge office space until the end of 2029.

Or. en

Amendment 367

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The measurement of EIT's impact will be continuously improved over the next programming period taking into account the lessons learnt and the experiences gained so far. The EIT will apply an evaluation, reporting and monitoring framework ensuring coherence with the overall approach taken for Horizon Europe while catering for flexibility. In particular, feedback loops between the Commission, EIT and KICs will be improved in order to address the objectives in a consistent, coherent and efficient manner.

Amendment

The measurement of EIT's impact will be continuously improved over the next programming period taking into account the lessons learnt and the experiences gained so far. The EIT will apply an evaluation, reporting and monitoring framework ensuring coherence with the overall approach taken for Horizon Europe while catering for flexibility. In particular, feedback loops between the Commission, EIT and KICs will be improved in order to address the objectives in a consistent, coherent and efficient manner. ***In order to facilitate the process, each KIC should strengthen its own monitoring, evaluation and learning function so that the necessary capability and data would be available to the external evaluators if and when needed.***

Or. en

Amendment 368

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius
on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Mid-term review of the EIT

Three years after its establishment and taking into account the periodic evaluations established in Article 19 of the Regulation [xxx] on EIT, the EIT shall be subject to a thorough mid-term review by the Commission. Among other elements, that mid-term review shall also assess the effectiveness of the KICs' financial sustainability strategies, the feasibility of further increasing the collaboration between the EIT and all implementing bodies under Pillar III of Horizon Europe in order to examine

whether the EIT could play a more horizontal role across all pillars of Horizon Europe and/or to establish a one-stop-shop for innovation with a set of different complementary activities .

Or. en

Amendment 369

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The periodic evaluations of the EIT activities, including those managed through KICs, will be carried out by the Commission in line with the provisions of the EIT Regulation and Horizon Europe Regulation. These evaluations will assess the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value of the EIT activities including the KICs. They will be based on independent external evaluations and will feed into the overall mid-term and ex-post evaluations of Horizon Europe. Furthermore, each KIC will be subject to a thorough review by the EIT ***before the end of the 7th and 14th year of operation under the Framework Partnership Agreements.***

Amendment

The periodic evaluations of the EIT activities, including those managed through KICs, will be carried out by the Commission in line with the provisions of the EIT Regulation and Horizon Europe Regulation. These evaluations will assess the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value of the EIT activities including the KICs. They will be based on independent external evaluations and will feed into the overall mid-term and ex-post evaluations of Horizon Europe. Furthermore, each KIC will be subject to a thorough review by the EIT ***in accordance with Article 10, 11 and 19 of the EIT Regulation.***

Or. en

Amendment 370

Lina Gálvez Muñoz

on behalf of the S&D Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The **reporting and monitoring of the KICs operational performance and their results will be a primary task of the EIT and will be implemented in cooperation with Horizon Europe common corporate services. The reporting and monitoring system for KICs will be built into** the overall Horizon Europe monitoring system, in particular by implementing common data models including data collection. The Commission will take part in the co-design of all relevant impact and monitoring indicators and tools developed or applied by the EIT in order to ensure compatibility and consistency with the overall Horizon Europe monitoring system, including **the key impact pathways**, the criteria framework for European Partnerships and the Strategic Planning Process. Furthermore, EIT will take into account the deployment of the Innovation Radar methodology in Horizon Europe, and will explore how Innovation Radar could be leveraged by the KICs for enhancement of its monitoring activities.

The **EIT shall improve its current monitoring systems according** the overall Horizon Europe monitoring system, in particular by implementing common data models including data collection, **introduce a reporting and monitoring framework including key performance indicators, aligned with the Key Impact Pathways of the Horizon Europe programme.** The Commission **shall monitor continuously the management and implementation of the activities of the EIT and** will take part in the co-design of all relevant impact and monitoring indicators and tools developed or applied by the EIT in order to ensure compatibility and consistency with the overall Horizon Europe monitoring system, including the criteria framework for European Partnerships and the Strategic Planning Process. Furthermore, EIT will take into account the deployment of the Innovation Radar methodology in Horizon Europe, and will explore how Innovation Radar could be leveraged by the KICs for enhancement of its monitoring activities.

Or. en

Amendment 371

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 7 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) economic/innovation impact by influencing the creation and growth of companies, as well as the creation of new innovative solutions to address global challenges, creating direct and indirect jobs and mobilising **other** public and private investments;

Amendment

(1) economic/innovation impact by influencing the creation and growth of companies, as well as the creation of new innovative solutions to address global challenges, creating direct and indirect jobs and mobilising **additional** public and private investments;

Or. en

Amendment 372

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 7 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) societal impact by addressing EU policy priorities in the fields of climate change, energy, raw materials, health or food through innovative solutions, engagement with citizens and end-users and by strengthening the uptake of innovative solutions in these areas in society.

Amendment

(3) societal impact by addressing EU policy priorities in the fields of climate change **(climate mitigation and building climate resilience/ promoting adaptation) and GHG emission reduction to net-zero**, energy, raw materials, health, **added value manufacturing, urban mobility** or food through innovative solutions, engagement with citizens and end-users and by strengthening the uptake of innovative solutions in these areas in society.

Or. en

Amendment 373

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Andrius Kubilius

on behalf of the EPP Group

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 7 – point 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

(3 a) systemic impact, by addressing complex and interconnected issues, creating innovative comprehensive solutions, delivering transformative applications with integrated effects on multiple sectors, contributing to shaping Union policies and address global societal challenges, within each KIC's Community and especially in the cross-KIC relations;

Or. en

Amendment 374

Klaus Buchner

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Ville Niinistö

Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

The EIT **will** ensure that the data it collects through its internal monitoring system, including the results from KICs, are fully integrated in the overall data management system of Horizon Europe programme. The EIT **will** ensure that detailed information arising from its monitoring and evaluation process are made available timely and are accessible in **a** common e-database on Horizon Europe implementation. In addition, the EIT will ensure dedicated reporting on quantitative and qualitative impacts, including on committed and actually provided financial contributions.

Amendment

In order to improve transparency and openness, the EIT **shall** ensure that the data it collects through its internal monitoring system, including the results from KICs, are fully **accessible and** integrated in the overall data management system of Horizon Europe programme. The EIT **shall** ensure that detailed information arising from its monitoring and evaluation process are made available timely and are accessible in **the** common e-database on Horizon Europe implementation. In addition, the EIT will ensure dedicated reporting on quantitative and qualitative impacts, including on committed and actually provided financial contributions.

Or. en

Amendment 375

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Proposal for a decision

Annex I – point 4 – point 4.2 – paragraph 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Mid-term review of the EIT

The EIT shall be subject to a thorough mid-term review by the Commission, on the basis of the periodic evaluations established in Article 19 of the EIT Regulation. It shall be conducted with the assistance of independent experts selected on the basis of an open and transparent process carried out once there is sufficient

information available about the EIT's implementation progress, but no later than four years after the start of the programme implementation.

Among other elements, that mid-term review shall assess the success and potential continuation, respectively expansion, of the HEI-pilot as well as whether there are the necessary budgetary conditions to launch any new KIC. It should also provide a quantitative and qualitative insight on the EIT and KICs' contribution in terms of reducing GHG emissions to net-zero, the European Green Deal and delivery of the SDGs. Moreover, it shall also assess the feasibility of bringing closer all the implementing bodies of Pillar III of Horizon Europe in order to have a one-stop-shop for innovation with a set of different complementary activities.

Or. en