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Public sector loan facility under the Just Transition Mechanism

Proposal for a regulation
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Amendment 22

Tsvetelina Penkova, Eva Kaili, Dan Nica, Nicolás González Casares, Carlos Zorrinho, Ivo Hristov, Josianne Cutajar

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The Commission adopted a Communication on the European Green Deal on 11 December 2019⁹, drawing its roadmap towards a new growth policy for Europe and setting ambitious objectives to counter climate change and for environmental protection. In line with the objective to achieve climate neutrality in the Union by 2050 in an effective and fair manner, the European Green Deal announced a Just Transition Mechanism to provide means for facing the climate challenge while leaving no one behind. The most vulnerable regions and people are the most exposed to the harmful effects of climate change and environmental degradation. At the same time, managing the transition requires significant structural changes.

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⁹ COM(2019) 640 final.

Or. en

Amendment 23

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Amendment 24

Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation

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⁹ COM(2019) 640 final.

trained and rapidly re-absorbed into the local labour market.

⁹ COM(2019) 640 final.

Or. en

Amendment 25

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⁹ COM(2019) 640 final.

Or. en

Amendment 26
Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The Commission adopted a Communication on the European Green Deal Investment Plan¹⁰ on 14 January 2020, establishing the Just Transition Mechanism which focuses on the **regions and** sectors that are most affected by the transition given their dependence on fossil fuels, including coal, peat and oil shale or greenhouse gas-intensive industrial processes but have less capacity to finance the necessary investments. The Just Transition Mechanism consists of three pillars: a Just Transition Fund implemented under shared management, a dedicated just transition scheme under InvestEU, and a public sector loan facility to mobilise additional investments to the regions concerned.

¹⁰ COM(2020) 21 final.

Amendment

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¹⁰ COM(2020) 21 final.

Or. en

Amendment 27
Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) The proposal for establishing the Just Transition Fund was adopted by the Commission on 14 January 2020¹¹. For the better programming and implementation of the Fund, territorial just transition plans are to be adopted, setting out the key steps and timeline of the transition process and identifying the territories most negatively

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(3) The proposal for establishing the Just Transition Fund was adopted by the Commission on 14 January 2020¹¹. For the better programming and implementation of the Fund, territorial just transition plans are to be adopted, setting out the key steps and timeline of the transition process and identifying the territories most negatively

affected by the transition *towards a climate neutral economy* and with less capacity to deal with the transition challenges.

¹¹ COM(2020) 22 final

affected by the *energy* transition and with less capacity to deal with the transition challenges.

¹¹ COM(2020) 22 final

Or. en

Amendment 28

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) A public sector loan facility (the ‘Facility’) should be provided. It constitutes the third pillar of the Just Transition Mechanism, supporting public sector entities in their investments. Such investments should meet the development needs resulting from the transition challenges described in the territorial just transition plans as adopted by the Commission. The activities envisaged for support should be consistent with and complement those supported under the other two pillars of the Just Transition Mechanism.

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(4) A public sector loan facility (the ‘Facility’) should be provided. It constitutes the third pillar of the Just Transition Mechanism, supporting public sector entities in their investments. Such investments should meet the development needs resulting from the transition challenges described in the territorial just transition plans as adopted by the Commission. ***These plans should be prepared together with relevant regional and local authorities and in close co-operation with other stakeholders, including economic and social partners, representatives of the civil society, experts, training and research institutions, employers, trade unions, and community-based organisations, in accordance with Article [6] of Regulation(EU) [new CPR].*** The activities envisaged for support should be consistent with and complement those supported under the other two pillars of the Just Transition Mechanism.

Or. en

Amendment 29

Mikuláš Peksa

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) In order to enhance the economic diversification of territories impacted by the transition, the Facility should cover a wide range of investments, on condition that they contribute to *meet* the development needs in the transition towards a climate neutral economy, as described in the territorial just transition plans. The investments supported may cover energy and transport infrastructure, district heating networks, green mobility, *smart* waste management, *clean* energy and energy efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities *may be used*.

Amendment

(5) In order to enhance the economic diversification of territories impacted by the transition, *while maintaining commitment to the goal of limiting the global temperature increase to 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels*, the Facility should cover a wide range of *sustainable* investments, on condition that they contribute to *meeting* the development needs in the transition towards *the EU 2030 climate and energy targets and a climate neutral economy by 2040 at the latest*, as described in the territorial just transition plans, *and are in line with the [Taxonomy Regulation]*. The investments supported may cover *renewable* energy and *green* transport infrastructure, *highly efficient* district heating networks, green mobility, waste management *in accordance with the waste hierarchy*, *renewable* energy and energy efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. *This transition aims to decouple from resource consumption and eliminate net emissions of greenhouse gases as well as other adverse impacts on human health and the environment related to, inter alia, the deterioration of biodiversity and ecosystems, overconsumption of resources or chemical pollution*. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. *In particular, these investments should not be made in fossil fuel installations and other activities excluded under Article [5] of Regulation [JTF Regulation] and should not increase or maintain dependency on fossil fuels*.

Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are **sustainable and** consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges **and opportunities** resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the **EIB should implement its new energy lending policy for the assessment of the projects and all finance partners should use the** EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities **to provide for transparency for sustainable projects. The 'do no significant harm' principle should be applied to all the investments, supported by the Facility.**

Or. en

Amendment 30

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cover energy and transport infrastructure, district heating networks, green mobility, smart waste management, clean energy and energy efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.

described in the territorial just transition plans. The investments supported may cover ***clean technology and infrastructure including renewable energy and the decarbonisation of the*** transport infrastructure, district heating networks, green ***and sustainable*** mobility, ***investments in research and innovation activities, including in universities and public research institutions, fostering the transfer of advanced and market-ready technologies, investments in digitalisation, digital innovation and digital connectivity, including digital and precision farming,*** smart waste management, clean energy and energy efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, ***unless falling under the scope of liabilities for environmental damage in accordance with the polluter pays principle referred to in Article 191 TFEU*** as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.

Or. en

Amendment 31

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(5) In order to enhance the economic diversification of territories impacted by the transition, the Facility should cover a wide range of investments, on condition that they contribute to meet the development needs in the transition towards a climate neutral economy, as described in the territorial just transition plans. ***Support mechanisms should avoid further increasing economic disparities between EU regions and should instead focus on strengthening social cohesion amongst all EU citizens.*** The investments supported may cover energy and transport infrastructure, district heating networks, green mobility, smart waste management, clean energy and energy efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition ***as well as to deliver long-term job opportunities for the most affected workers by the economic***

restructuring. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.

Or. en

Amendment 32

Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

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the social, economic and *environmental* challenges resulting from the *adjustment to climate* transition. *In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.*

transition *process*.

Or. en

Amendment 33 **Maria Spyra**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 5**

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Or. en

Amendment 34

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation

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should not be supported. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. ***The number of new created jobs should be a key indicator for decision of support.*** By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.

Or. en

Amendment 35

Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

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(5) In order to enhance the economic diversification of territories impacted by the transition, the Facility should cover a wide range of investments, on condition that they contribute to meet, ***both directly and indirectly***, the development needs in the transition towards a climate neutral economy, as described in the territorial just transition plans. The investments supported may cover, ***for instance***, energy and transport infrastructure, district heating networks, green mobility, smart waste management, clean energy and energy

renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing. Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition. ***In order to help identify investments with a high positive environmental impact eligible under the Facility, the EU taxonomy on environmentally sustainable economic activities may be used.***

efficiency measures including renovations and conversions of buildings, support to transition to a circular economy, land restoration and decontamination, as well as up- and re-skilling, training and social infrastructure, including social housing, ***employment policies, measures against depopulation and decrease of economic activity.*** Infrastructure developments may also include solutions leading to their enhanced resilience to withstand disasters. Comprehensive investment approach should be favoured in particular for territories with important transition needs. Investments in other sectors could also be supported if they are consistent with the adopted territorial just transition plans. By supporting investments that do not generate sufficient revenues, the Facility aims at providing public sector entities with additional resources necessary to address the social, economic and environmental challenges resulting from the adjustment to climate transition.

Or. en

Amendment 36

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) In order to ensure that the Facility is not used to pay for the costs of restoring environmental damages that fall under the environmental liability of an undertaking and not to distort incentives to reduce pollution and other environmental impacts, support to investment related to the regeneration and decontamination of sites, restoration of ecosystems and repurposing projects,

should be used as a last resort only when no company can be held legally liable to finance such actions, in accordance with the polluter-pays principle enshrined in Article 191 TFUE.

Or. en

Amendment 37

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Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) In order to avoid stranded assets and ensuring that public funding is used most cost effectively, the beneficiary projects should have long-lasting green, sustainable effect and contribute to reaching climate neutrality by 2050.

Or. en

Amendment 38

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 b) Transitioning to climate-neutrality also presents new economic opportunities. Transition to renewables-based economy holds a significant job creation potential that can eventually lead to higher employment levels in territories currently dependent on fossil fuels. The shift to renewable energy can enable local communities to become active participants in and owners of the energy transition and move from single- to a multi-industry

model. In particular, the reconversion of former mine sites to renewable energy generation and construction of renewable energy infrastructure in such sites or neighbouring areas can provide green jobs to post-mining communities. Moreover, such reconvention can contribute to energy security and resilience, based on a decentralised energy system model.

Or. en

Amendment 39

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 c) Member States and the Commission should ensure that the Facility contributes to the respect and the promotion of equality between women and men in accordance with Article 8 TFEU. Gender equality objectives and the economic independence of women should be ensured in all dimensions and in all stages of the preparation, monitoring, implementation and evaluation of operational programmes in a timely and consistent manner.

Or. en

Amendment 40

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(8) EUR [250 000 000] of the grant

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component of the Facility are expected to be financed from the Union budget in accordance with [new MFF proposal] and should constitute the prime reference amount, within the meaning of point 17 of the Inter-institutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management¹³, for the European Parliament and the Council during the annual budgetary procedure.

¹³ OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1.
http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2013.373.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ:C:2013:373:TOC

component of the Facility are expected to be financed from the Union budget in accordance with [new MFF proposal] and should constitute the prime reference amount, within the meaning of point 17 of the Inter-institutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management¹³, for the European Parliament and the Council during the annual budgetary procedure.

¹³ OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1.
http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2013.373.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ:C:2013:373:TOC

Or. en

Amendment 41

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

(13) In order to ensure that all Member States are granted the possibility to benefit from the grant component, a mechanism should be set up to establish earmarked national shares to be respected **during a first stage**, based on the distribution key proposed in the Just Transition Fund Regulation. **However, in order to reconcile that objective with the need to optimise the economic impact of the Facility and its implementation, such national allocations should not be earmarked after 31 December 2024. Thereafter, the remaining resources available for the grant component should be provided without any pre-allocated national share and on a competitive basis at Union level,**

Amendment

(13) In order to ensure that all Member States are granted the possibility to benefit from the grant component, a mechanism should be set up to establish earmarked national shares to be respected, based on the distribution key proposed in the Just Transition Fund Regulation.

while ensuring predictability for investment and following a needs-based and regional convergence approach.

Or. en

Amendment 42

Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsik, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Valérie Hayer, Katalin Cseh

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and *award* criteria should take into account the *relevance* of the project *in the context of the* development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Amendment

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria, *in case demand exceeds funding resources under national allocations*, should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and *prioritisation* criteria should take into account the *relevant criteria established by Regulation (EU) .../... of the European Parliament and the Council [Regulation on establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investment]*, the *ability* of the project *to meet the objectives and* development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, *the contribution to the climate transition*, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Or. en

Amendment 43
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Amendment

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted ***and that have showed a clear commitment with achieving climate neutrality as soon as possible***. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Or. en

Amendment 44
Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award

Amendment

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award

criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the *viability* of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the *contribution to ensuring the climate transition is achieved in a manner leaving no-one behind*, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the *affordability* of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Or. en

Amendment 45

Tsvetelina Penkova, Eva Kaili, Dan Nica, Nicolás González Casares, Carlos Zorrinho, Ivo Hristov, Josianne Cutajar

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted.

Amendment

(14) Specific eligibility conditions and award criteria should be set out in the work programme and the call for proposals. Those eligibility conditions and award criteria should take into account the relevance of the project in the context of the development needs described in the territorial just transition plans, the overall objective of promoting regional and territorial convergence, *the overall impact on the regional labour market* and the significance of the grant component for the viability of the project. Union Support established by this Regulation should thus only be made available to Member States

The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

with at least one territorial just transition plan adopted. The work programme and calls for proposals will also take into account the territorial just transition plans submitted by Member States to ensure that coherence and consistency across the different pillars of the mechanism is ensured.

Or. en

Amendment 46

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Support under this Facility should **only** be provided to projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues that would allow them to be financially viable and to be financed **solely** by loans provided on market terms. Own revenues should correspond to revenues, budgetary transfers excepted, generated directly by the activities carried out by the project, such as sales, fees or tolls and as incremental savings generated by the upgrade of existing assets.

Amendment

(15) Support under this Facility should be provided, **not only** to projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues that would allow them to be financially viable and to be financed by loans provided on market terms, **but also to public viable projects**. Own revenues should correspond to revenues, budgetary transfers excepted, generated directly by the activities carried out by the project, such as sales, fees or tolls and as incremental savings generated by the upgrade of existing assets.

Or. en

Justification

We reject the idea that only 'economically unviable' projects should be eligible. Private sector doesn't have to have the monopoly on the profitable projects.

Amendment 47

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) Since the grant component should reflect the divergent development needs of regions across Member States, such support should be modulated. Taking into account that public sector entities in less developed regions, as defined in Article 102(2) of Regulation [new CPR], generally experience lower public investment capacity, the grant rates applied to loans provided to such entities should be comparatively higher.

Amendment

(16) Since the grant component should reflect the divergent development needs of regions across Member States, such support should be modulated. Taking into account that public sector entities in less developed regions, as defined in Article 102(2) of Regulation [new CPR], generally experience lower public investment capacity, the grant rates applied to loans provided to such entities should be comparatively higher. ***Loans under this Facility should not be taken into account in the calculation of the European semester criteria.***

Or. en

Amendment 48
Maria Spyra

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 22

Text proposed by the Commission

(22) The objective of this Regulation, namely to leverage public investment in territories, most impacted by the transition towards climate neutrality by addressing the corresponding development needs, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States alone. The main reasons in this regard are the difficulties for public entities to support investments, ***which*** do not generate sufficient streams of own revenues and ***benefit the territories most negatively impacted by climate transition,*** without ***EU*** grant support and the need for a coherent implementation framework under direct management. Since those objectives can be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 TEU. In accordance with the principle of proportionality as set out in that Article,

Amendment

(22) The objective of this Regulation, namely to leverage public investment in territories, most impacted by the transition towards climate neutrality by addressing the corresponding development needs, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States alone. The main reasons in this regard are the difficulties for public entities to support investments ***that benefit the territories most negatively affected by the climate and energy transition but*** do not generate sufficient streams of own revenues and ***would not be funded by the project promoter within the same timeframe or to the same extent*** without ***the element of*** grant support ***from the Union budget*** and the need for a coherent implementation framework under direct management. Since those objectives can be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with

this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve that objective,

the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 TEU. In accordance with the principle of proportionality as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve that objective,

Or. en

Amendment 49

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

This Regulation provides for the public sector loan facility (the ‘Facility’) in support of public sector entities by combining grants from the Union budget with loans granted by the finance partners and lays down the objectives of the Facility. It lays down rules for the grant component of Union support provided under this Facility covering in particular its budget for the period 2021-2027, the forms of Union support and provisions on eligibility.

Amendment

This Regulation provides for the public sector loan facility (the ‘Facility’) in support of public sector entities by combining grants from the Union budget with loans granted by the finance partners ***in accordance with the rules, lending policies and procedures of the EIB*** and lays down the objectives of the Facility. It lays down rules for the grant component of Union support provided under this Facility covering in particular its budget for the period 2021-2027, the forms of Union support and provisions on eligibility.

Or. en

Amendment 50

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, environmental and economic

Amendment

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, environmental and economic

challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy of the Union by **2050**.

challenges deriving from the transition process towards ***the Union's 2030 target for climate and*** a climate-neutral, ***environmentally sustainable, fully renewables-based, highly resource and energy efficient and circular*** economy of the Union by ***2040 at the latest***.

The Facility shall not support, directly or indirectly, investment related to the production, processing, distribution, storage, transport or combustion of fossil fuels.

Or. en

Amendment 51

Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Katalin Cseh, Susana Solís Pérez

Proposal for a regulation Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, environmental and economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy ***of*** the Union by 2050.

Amendment

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, environmental and economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards ***the Union's 2030 targets for climate and energy, as established in Regulation (EU).../... of the European Parliament and the Council [establishing the framework for achieving climate neutrality and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 (European Climate Law)], and a climate- and carbon neutral*** a climate-neutral economy ***in*** the Union by 2050.

Or. en

Amendment 52

Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories ***facing serious social, environmental and economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy of the Union by 2050.***

Amendment

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories ***as defined by Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].***

Or. en

Amendment 53

Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, ***environmental and*** economic challenges deriving from the transition process ***towards a climate-neutral economy of the Union by 2050.***

Amendment

The Facility shall provide support benefitting Union territories facing serious social, economic ***and energy security*** challenges deriving from the ***energy*** transition process.

Or. en

Amendment 54

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. 'beneficiary' means a public sector legal entity established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with a public service mission, with whom a grant agreement has been signed under the Facility;

Amendment

2. 'beneficiary' means a public sector legal entity established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a ***public*** body governed by private law entrusted with a public service mission, with whom a grant agreement has been signed under the Facility; ***Public-Private Partnerships cannot be considered as 'beneficiary'.***

Amendment 55
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. 'beneficiary' means a public sector legal entity established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with a public service mission, with whom a grant agreement has been signed under the Facility;

Amendment

2. 'beneficiary' means a public sector legal entity established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with a public service mission, ***or a state-owned enterprise***, with whom a grant agreement has been signed under the Facility;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. 'finance partners' means the EIB, other international financial institutions, national promotional banks and financial institutions, with which the Commission signs an administrative agreement ***to cooperate*** within the Facility;

Amendment

3. 'finance partners' means the EIB, other international financial institutions, national promotional banks and financial institutions, with which the Commission signs an administrative agreement ***in full compliance with EIB rules lending policies and procedures, to ensure the highest possible level of cooperation*** within the Facility;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. 'finance partners' means the EIB, other international financial institutions, national promotional banks and financial institutions, with which the Commission signs an administrative agreement to cooperate within the Facility;

Amendment

3. 'finance partners' means the EIB, other international financial institutions, national **and regional** promotional banks and financial institutions, with which the Commission signs an administrative agreement to cooperate within the Facility;

Or. en

Amendment 58

Iskra Mihaylova, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Martina Dlabajová, Katalin Cseh

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 a. 'additionality' means the support for projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be financed without the element of grant support from the Union budget and that contribute to the general objectives laid down in Article 3.

Or. en

Amendment 59

Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 a. 'additionality' means the support for projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues to cover investment costs and that contribute to the general objectives laid down in Article 3.

Amendment 60

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 a. ‘additionality’ means the support for projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be financed without the element of grant support from the Union budget;

Or. en

Amendment 61

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 6 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 b. ‘do no significant harm’ principle means refraining from inflicting “significant harm” as defined in Article 17 of the Regulation(EU) 2020/852 [Taxonomy regulation].

Or. en

Amendment 62

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with **Article 7** of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges **and opportunities** deriving from the transition process towards **the Union's 2030 target for climate and energy and** a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with **Article 7** of Regulation [JTF Regulation], **in line with the European Pillar of Social Rights, the UN SDGs and the Paris Agreement objectives as well as 'minimum safeguards' procedures defined in Article 18 of the Regulation (EU) 2020/852 [Taxonomy regulation].**

Or. en

Amendment 63

Iskra Mihaylova, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Valérie Hayer, Katalin Cseh, Susana Solís Pérez

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation] **and to contribute to the EU policy objectives, in particular the Union's 2030 targets for climate and energy and the transition towards a climate-neutral economy in the Union by 2050, in line with Paris Agreement objectives and responding to the need to strengthen competitiveness.**

Amendment 64

Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address **direct or indirect** serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Or. en

Amendment 65

Paolo Borchia

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the transition process **towards a climate-neutral economy** for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Amendment

1. The general objective of the Facility is to address serious socio-economic challenges deriving from the **energy** transition process for the benefit of the Union territories identified in the territorial just transition plans prepared by the Member States in accordance with Article 7 of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Or. en

Amendment 66

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans, ***by facilitating the financing of projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be financed without the element of grant support from the Union budget.***

Amendment

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans.

Or. en

Amendment 67

Tsvetelina Penkova, Eva Kaili, Dan Nica, Nicolás González Casares, Carlos Zorrinho

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans, by facilitating the financing of projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be financed without the element of grant support from the Union budget.

Amendment

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans, by facilitating the financing of projects that ***reduce our environmental footprint in accordance with our climate targets, while providing long-term sustainable employment*** but do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be financed without the element of grant support from the Union budget.

Or. en

Amendment 68
Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans, by facilitating the financing of projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would not be **financed** without the element of grant support from the Union budget.

Amendment

2. The Facility shall have the specific objective of increasing public sector investments, which address the development needs of regions identified in the territorial just transition plans, by facilitating the financing of projects that do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues and would **thus not be funded by the project promoter within the same time-frame or the same extent** without the element of grant support from the Union budget.

Or. en

Amendment 69

Maria Spyra

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In pursuing the achievement of the specific objective referred to in paragraph 2, this Regulation also aims at providing advisory support for the preparation, development, and implementation of **eligible** projects where necessary. That advisory support shall be provided in accordance with the rules and implementation methods for the InvestEU Advisory Hub established by Article [20] of Regulation [InvestEU Regulation].

Amendment

3. In pursuing the achievement of the specific objective referred to in paragraph 2, this Regulation also aims at providing advisory support for the **assessment of eligibility**, preparation, development, and implementation of projects where necessary. That advisory support shall be provided in accordance with the rules and implementation methods for the InvestEU Advisory Hub established by Article [20] of Regulation [InvestEU Regulation].

Or. en

Amendment 70

Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsik, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Valérie Hayer

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Without prejudice to additional resources allocated in the Union budget for the period 2021-2027, the grant component *of* support provided under this Facility shall be financed from:

Amendment

1. Without prejudice to additional resources allocated in the Union budget for the period 2021-2027, the grant component **and the advisory** support provided under this Facility shall be financed from:

Or. en

Amendment 71
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga, Sandra Pereira

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) resources from the Union budget for an amount of EUR **250 000 000** in current prices, and

Amendment

(a) resources from the Union budget for an amount of EUR **350 000 000** in current prices, and

Or. en

Justification

Resources must be more generous, and not mainly based on expected returns from unused funds.

Amendment 72
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) resources from the Union budget for an amount of EUR **250 000 000 in current** prices, and

Amendment

(a) resources from the Union budget for an amount of EUR **300000 000 in 2018** prices, and

Or. en

Amendment 73
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) assigned revenue as referred to in paragraph 2 up to a maximum amount of EUR 1 275 000 000 in **current** prices.

Amendment

(b) assigned revenue as referred to in paragraph 2 up to a maximum amount of EUR 1 275 000 000 in **2018** prices.

Or. en

Amendment 74
Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. An amount up to 2% of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 may be used for technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Facility such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities including corporate information and technology systems, as well as administrative expenditure **and fees** of the finance partners.

Amendment

5. An amount up to 2% of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 may be used for technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Facility such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities including corporate information and technology systems, as well as administrative expenditure of the finance partners.

Or. en

Amendment 75
Maria Spyra

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Resources up to an amount of EUR
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6. Resources up to an amount of EUR

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25 000 000 included in those referred to in paragraph 1, shall be provided for activities set out in Article 3(3).

25 000 000 included in those referred to in paragraph 1, shall be provided for activities set out in Article 3(3) **and shall not be subject to national pre-allocations.**

Or. en

Amendment 76
Maria Spyraiki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The resources referred to in Article 4(1), after deduction **of** a provision for technical and administrative expenditure referred to in Article 4(5), shall be used to finance projects, in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3.

Amendment

1. The resources referred to in Article 4(1), after deduction **the resources referred to in Article 4(6) and** a provision for technical and administrative expenditure referred to in Article 4(5), shall be used to finance projects, in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3.

Or. en

Amendment 77
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. **For grants awarded pursuant to calls for proposals launched no later than 31 December 2024**, Union support awarded to eligible projects in a Member State shall not exceed the national shares set out in the decision to be adopted by the Commission pursuant to paragraph 4.

Amendment

2. Union support awarded to eligible projects in a Member State shall not exceed the national shares set out in the decision to be adopted by the Commission pursuant to paragraph 4.

Or. en

Justification

We reject the possibility to allocate funds of the JTF on a competitive basis. The JTF is a

solidarity instrument foreseen to contribute to the European cohesion, not to increase inequalities among regions.

Amendment 78

Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. For grants awarded pursuant to calls for proposals launched as from 1 January 2025, Union support awarded to eligible projects shall be provided without any pre-allocated national share and on a competitive basis at Union level until exhaustion of remaining resources. The award of such grants shall take into account the need to ensure predictability of investment and the promotion of regional convergence.

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 79

Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of an implementing act setting out the respective shares for each Member State resulting from the application of the methodology set out in Annex I of Regulation [JTF Regulation] in the form of percentages of the *total available* resources.

4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of an implementing act setting out the respective shares for each Member State resulting from the application of the methodology set out in Annex I of Regulation [JTF Regulation] in the form of percentages of the resources *referred to in Article 4(1) of this Regulation.*

Or. en

Amendment 80

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of ***an implementing*** act setting out the respective shares for each Member State resulting from the application of the methodology set out in Annex I of Regulation [JTF Regulation] in the form of percentages of the total available resources.

Amendment

4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of ***a delegated*** act setting out the respective shares for each Member State resulting from the application of the methodology set out in Annex I of Regulation [JTF Regulation] in the form of percentages of the total available resources.

Or. en

Amendment 81

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The audit arrangements shall be in line with the Financial Regulation, granting the necessary rights and access to the Commission for ad-hoc audits, to the European Court of Auditors (ECA) for a mandatory yearly audit report, to the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) for administrative investigations, and to the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) for criminal investigations.

Or. en

Amendment 82

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Only projects contributing to the objectives referred to in Article 3 and fulfilling all the conditions set out below shall be eligible for Union support under the Facility:

Amendment

The Facility shall not support activities excluded under Article [5] of Regulation [JTF Regulation].

Only projects contributing to the objectives referred to in Article 3 and fulfilling all the conditions set out below shall be eligible for Union support under the Facility:

Or. en

Amendment 83

Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Valérie Hayer, Katalin Cseh, Susana Solís Pérez

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy **and benefit** territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Amendment

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards ***the Union's 2030 targets for climate and energy and a climate-neutral economy in the Union by 2050 and contribute to the objectives and needs of the*** territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Or. en

Amendment 84

Tsvetelina Penkova, Eva Kaili, Dan Nica, Nicolás González Casares, Carlos Zorrinho, Ivo Hristov

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy and benefit territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Amendment

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic, **labour** or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy and benefit **the most affected** territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Eva Maydell

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy and benefit territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Amendment

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious **direct or indirect** social, economic or environmental challenges deriving from the transition process towards a climate-neutral economy and benefit territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Or. en

Amendment 86
Paolo Borchia

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic **or environmental** challenges deriving from the transition process

Amendment

(a) the projects achieve measurable impact in addressing serious social, economic **and energy security** challenges deriving from the **energy** transition process

towards a climate-neutral economy and benefit territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

and benefit territories identified in a territorial just transition plan, even if they are not located in those territories;

Or. en

Amendment 87

Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Martina Dlabajová, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Valérie Hayer, Susana Solís Pérez

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a a) By derogation from paragraph 1(b), projects receiving Union support under the Facility may also receive advisory and technical assistance support for their preparation, development and implementation from other Union programmes.

Or. en

Amendment 88

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a a) the projects can demonstrate that they 'do no significant harm', do not lead to a lock-in of carbon-intensive assets and do not hamper the deployment of zero-carbon alternatives;

Or. en

Amendment 89

Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the projects do not receive support under any other Union programmes; **deleted**

Or. en

Amendment 90

Maria Spyraiki

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the projects do not receive support under any other Union programmes;

(b) the projects costs related to the amount of the grant, when provided, are not supported under any other Union programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 91

Iskra Mihaylova, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Martina Dlabajová, Susana Solís Pérez, Katalin Cseh, Bart Groothuis

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) The Facility shall not support activities excluded under Article [5] of Regulation (EU) .../... [JTF Regulation].

Or. en

Amendment 92
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) the projects do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues allowing them to be financed without Union support.

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 93
Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) the projects do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues allowing them to be financed without Union support.

(d) the projects do not generate a sufficient stream of own revenues allowing them to be financed without Union support *within the same time-frame or to the same extent.*

Or. en

Amendment 94
Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d a) the projects' by-products such as studies, software tools and architectural plans are developed in accordance with the open-source principle and made available to the public.

Amendment 95

Tsvetelina Penkova, Eva Kaili, Dan Nica, Nicolás González Casares, Ivo Hristov

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 8 a

In accordance with Article 8, paragraph 1, point (d), the Commission may approve projects that provide diversification and ensure security of energy supplies with transitional energy carrier, already accepted under the Just Transition Fund.

Or. en

Amendment 96

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Notwithstanding the criteria set out in Article 197 of the Financial Regulation, only public sector legal entities established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with a public service mission, are eligible to apply as potential beneficiaries under this Regulation.

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In line with Article 129 of the Financial Regulation, any person or entity receiving Union funds shall fully cooperate in the protection of the financial interests of the Union and shall, as a condition for receiving the funds, grant the necessary rights and access required for the authorising officer responsible. Only Member States participating in the

enhanced cooperation pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 setting out the mandate of the European Public Prosecutor (EPPO) are eligible to receive grants and loans from this Facility.

Or. en

Amendment 97
Izabela-Helena Kloc

Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Notwithstanding the criteria set out in Article 197 of the Financial Regulation, only **public sector** legal entities established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with **a** public service mission, are eligible to apply as potential beneficiaries under this Regulation.

Amendment

Notwithstanding the criteria set out in Article 197 of the Financial Regulation, only legal entities established in a Member State as a public law body, or as a body governed by private law entrusted with **the implementation of a public-private partnership (PPP) or with another** public service mission, are eligible to apply as potential beneficiaries under this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 98
Sira Rego, Cornelia Ernst, Marc Botenga

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The amount of the grant shall not exceed **15%** of the amount of the loan provided by the finance partner under this Facility. For projects located in territories in NUTS level 2 regions with a GDP per capita not exceeding 75% of the average GDP of the EU-27 as referred to in Article [102(2)] of Regulation [new CPR], the amount of the grant shall not exceed **20%**

Amendment

2. The amount of the grant shall not exceed **30%** of the amount of the loan provided by the finance partner under this Facility. For projects located in territories in NUTS level 2 regions with a GDP per capita not exceeding 75% of the average GDP of the EU-27 as referred to in Article [102(2)] of Regulation [new CPR], the amount of the grant shall not exceed **40%**

of the amount of the loan provided by the finance partner.

of the amount of the loan provided by the finance partner.

Or. en

Amendment 99

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 11 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In addition to the grounds specified in Article 131(4) of the Financial Regulation and after consulting the finance partner, the amount of the grant may be reduced or the grant agreement may be terminated, if within two years from the date of signature of the grant agreement, the economically most significant supply, works or services contract has not been signed, in cases where the conclusion of such contract is envisaged pursuant to the grant agreement.

Amendment

1. In addition to the grounds specified in Article 131(4) of the Financial Regulation and after consulting the finance partner, the amount of the grant may be **suspended**, reduced or the grant agreement may be **unilaterally terminated by the Commission under the following conditions:**

a) reductions shall be applied if within two years from the date of signature of the grant agreement, the economically most significant supply, works or services contract has not been signed, in cases where the conclusion of such contract is envisaged pursuant to the grant **or the loan** agreement;

b) suspension shall be applied if the responsible EU bodies, namely OLAF or EPPO are undertaking an administrative or criminal investigation;

c) termination shall be applied if the audits or investigations by the responsible EU bodies conclude there is evidence of mismanagement of funds, such as fraud, corruption or high level error rate;

d) terminations shall be applied if any of the EU institutions concludes there is a generalised deficiencies as regards the

rule of law in the Member States or region recipient of the EU funds, in grants or in loans.

Or. en

Amendment 100

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 11 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. When Union support is combined with loan schemes and when supply, works or services contracts are not envisaged, paragraph 1 shall not apply.

deleted

In such cases and after consulting the finance partner, the amount of the grant may be reduced or the grant agreement may be terminated, and any related amounts paid may be recovered, in accordance with the conditions set out in the grant agreement.

Or. en

Amendment 101

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 11 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In such cases and after consulting the finance partner, the amount of the grant may be reduced or the grant agreement may be terminated, and any related amounts paid may be recovered, in accordance with the conditions set out in the grant agreement.

In such cases any related amounts paid after reduction, suspension or termination by the Commission shall be recovered, without undue delay.

Amendment 102

Maria Spyraiki

Proposal for a regulation**Article 12 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

1. Advisory support under this Regulation shall be implemented in indirect management, in accordance with the rules and implementation methods for the InvestEU Advisory Hub established by Article [20] of Regulation [InvestEU Regulation].

Amendment

1. Advisory support under this Regulation shall be implemented in indirect management, in accordance with the rules and implementation methods for the InvestEU Advisory Hub established by Article [20] of Regulation [InvestEU Regulation] **and shall not be subject to national pre-allocations.**

Or. en

Amendment 103

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation**Article 13 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

The **Facility** shall **be implemented by** work programmes **established** in accordance with Article 110 of the Financial Regulation. The work programmes shall set out the national shares of resources, including any additional resources, for each Member State in accordance with Articles 4(1) and 6(2) of this Regulation.

Amendment

The **Commission** shall **adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 17 in order to establish** work programmes in accordance with Article 110 of the Financial Regulation. **The work programmes shall specify the criteria and eligibility conditions for the selection of projects and for their prioritisation. Those criteria shall take into account the project's contribution to the objectives and needs identified in the territorial just transition plans as well as the contribution to the EU climate and energy 2030 targets and the objective of climate neutrality as well as relevant criteria laid down by [Taxonomy Regulation].**The

work programmes shall set out the national shares of resources, including any additional resources, for each Member State in accordance with Articles 4(1) and 6(2) of this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 104
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Facility shall be implemented by work programmes established in accordance with Article 110 of the Financial Regulation. The work programmes shall ***set out the national shares of resources, including any additional resources, for each Member State*** in accordance with ***Articles 4(1) and 6(2)*** of this Regulation.

Amendment

The Facility shall be implemented by ***annual*** work programmes established in accordance with Article 110 of the Financial Regulation. The work programmes shall ***be adopted by the Commission by means of an delegated act. Those delegated acts shall be adopted*** in accordance ***Article 17*** of this Regulation. ***The work programmes shall set out calls for proposals including the possibility for commitment of all national shares till 31 December 2024.***

Or. en

Amendment 105
Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 13 a

Selection of finance partners other than the EIB

The Commission shall set out the conditions and procedures for selecting

finance partners other than EIB in an implementing act in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No182/2011.

The eligibility conditions for selecting the finance partners other than the EIB shall reflect the objectives of the Facility.

In particular, when selecting the finance partners, the Commission shall take into account the capacity of finance partners:

(a) to maximise the impact of the EU guarantee through own resources;

(b) to ensure appropriate geographical diversification of the Facility and allow for the financing of smaller projects;

(c) to implement thoroughly the requirements of Articles155(2) and 155(3) of the Financial Regulation related to tax avoidance, tax fraud, tax evasion, money laundering, terrorism financing and non-cooperative jurisdictions;

(d) to ensure transparency and public access to information concerning each project; (e) to ensure the consistency of their lending policy with the Union 2030 climate and energy targets and the climate neutrality objective;

(f) to integrate the analysis of environmental, climate, social and governance factors in the selection and evaluation of projects; The Commission shall publish the selection results.

Or. en

Amendment 106

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2 a. The projects financed under this Facility shall be subject to climate, environmental and social sustainability proofing and tracking, with a view to minimise detrimental impacts and maximise benefits on climate, environment and social dimension, in line with EU climate objectives. For that purpose, entities requesting financing shall provide adequate information based on guidance to be developed by the Commission. Projects below a certain size defined in the guidance shall be excluded from the proofing.

Or. en

Amendment 107
Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 14 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 14 a

Transparency

1. Beneficiaries shall ensure, for the benefit of the general public, maximum transparency concerning the actions and financial flows under this instrument, including the online disclosure of the financial beneficiaries in a machine-readable format;

2. Beneficiaries shall, in line with Directive (EU) 2019/1024 on open data and the re-use of public sector information, publish all relevant information concerning their projects in a standardised and comparable open and machine readable format on an official publicly available register, including but not only: project proposals, declaration on non-conflict of interest, meeting minutes, impact assessments, contracts, evaluation and audit reports, as well as all public

procurements shall be published on the EU Open Data Portal;

3. All the published data should be available indefinitely. Institutions of the Union and the Member States should offer cooperation in logistical measures to keep all these data available to the general public even after the beneficiary ceases to exist.

Or. en

Amendment 108

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The interim evaluation of the Facility shall be performed by 30 June 2025, when sufficient information is expected to be available about the implementation of the Facility. The evaluation shall in particular demonstrate how the Union support provided under the Facility shall have contributed in addressing the needs of territories implementing the territorial just transition plans.

Amendment

2. The interim evaluation of the Facility shall be performed by 30 June 2025, when sufficient information is expected to be available about the implementation of the Facility. The evaluation shall in particular demonstrate how the Union support provided under the Facility shall have contributed in addressing the needs of territories implementing the territorial just transition plans. ***The evaluation shall also demonstrate how the Union support provided under the Facility shall have contributed in meeting the EU sustainability policy objectives, in particular to the 2030 climate and energy targets and to the transition towards climate neutral economies by 2040 at the latest.***

Or. en

Amendment 109

Eva Maydell

Proposal for a regulation
Article 15 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The interim evaluation of the Facility shall be performed by 30 June 2025, when sufficient information is expected to be available about the implementation of the Facility. The evaluation shall in particular demonstrate how the Union support provided under the Facility shall have contributed in addressing the needs of territories implementing the territorial just transition plans.

Amendment

2. The interim evaluation of the Facility shall be performed by 30 June 2025, when sufficient information is expected to be available about the implementation of the Facility. The evaluation shall in particular demonstrate how the Union support provided under the Facility shall have contributed in addressing the needs of territories implementing the territorial just transition plans, *especially with regard to additionality*.

Or. en

Amendment 110

Iskra Mihaylova, Morten Petersen, Martin Hojsík, Klemen Grošelj, Christophe Grudler, Valérie Hayer, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Susana Solís Pérez, Katalin Cseh, Claudia Gamon, Ivars Ijabs

Proposal for a regulation
Article 15 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2 a. The evaluation shall also analyse how the Union support provided under the Facility has contributed to meeting the EU sustainability policy objectives, in particular the Union’s 2030 targets for climate and energy and the transition towards a climate-neutral economy in the Union by 2050.

Or. en

Amendment 111

Mikuláš Peksa
on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Audits on the use of the Union support provided under the Facility carried out by *persons or entities, including by other than those mandated by the Union Institutions or bodies, shall form the basis of the overall assurance pursuant to Article 127 of the Financial Regulation.*

Amendment

1. Audits on the use of the Union support provided under the Facility carried out by *the European Court of Auditors in accordance with Article 287 TFEU. In addition to the mandatory yearly audit report, the European Court of Auditors shall issue a Special Report on the implementation of this Facility [... years] after the entry into force of this regulation.*

Or. en

Amendment 112

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The finance partners shall provide to the Commission and any designated auditors all available documents that are necessary for both these authorities to carry out their obligations.

Amendment

2. The finance partners *and the beneficiaries* shall provide to the Commission, *the European Court of Auditors* and any *other* designated auditors all available documents *and information* that are necessary for both these authorities to carry out their obligations.

Or. en

Amendment 113

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 18 – paragraph -1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

-1. Finance partners shall disclose all

relevant information, including the final beneficiaries, on each project financed and made this information publicly available on their website.

Or. en

Amendment 114

Mikuláš Peksa

on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 18 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1 a. The Commission shall make publicly available upon delivery any opinions issued on the projects selected/financed under this Facility in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 19 of the Statute of the EIB.

Or. en

Amendment 115

Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – point A – indent 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

— *Connecting Europe Facility (CEF): Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010 (OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129) as modified by Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European*

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Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Or. en

Amendment 116
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – point C – indent 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

— ***Connecting Europe Facility Debt Instrument (CEF DI): Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010 (OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129).***

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 117
Maria Spyraiki

Proposal for a regulation
Annex II – point 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. Greenhouse gas emission reduced

7. Greenhouse gas emission reduced,
where feasible for calculation

Or. en

Amendment 118

Marian-Jean Marinescu

**Proposal for a regulation
Annex II – point 7 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7 a. Number of saved jobs

Or. en

**Amendment 119
Marian-Jean Marinescu**

**Proposal for a regulation
Annex II – point 7 b (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7 b. Number of new created jobs

Or. en

**Amendment 120
Marian-Jean Marinescu**

**Proposal for a regulation
Annex II – point 7 c (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**7 c. The effect to the supported
territory GDP**

Or. en