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Amendment 21
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Joint motion for a resolution
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The European Green Deal

Joint motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

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1. **Underlines the urgent need for ambitious action to tackle climate change and environmental challenges, to limit global warming to 1.5°C, and to avoid massive loss of biodiversity; therefore welcomes** the Commission’s communication ‘The European Green Deal’; shares the Commission’s commitment to transforming the EU into a healthier, sustainable, fair, just and prosperous society with net-zero emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs); calls for the necessary transition to a climate neutral society by 2050 at the latest and for this to be made into a European success story;

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1. **Expresses concern that** the Commission’s decision to present such an ambitious and wide-ranging plan within such a short timescale places political expediency ahead of robust impact assessment; notes that the proposed legislative schedule may negatively affect the credibility and value of European evidence-based policymaking and the generation of the financial resources necessary to achieve its proposed goals;

Or. en
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Paragraph 1 a (new)

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1a. Underlines concerns that the policy breadth of the European Green Deal, which seeks to jointly address economic, social and environmental challenges and has far-reaching consequences on many sectors, may contribute to competence creep, undermining the EU’s principles of subsidiarity and proportionality and the flexibility clause (Article 352 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union), to the detriment of the decision-making authority of the Member States;
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Paragraph 5 a (new)

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5a. Believes that the low-carbon transformation has the potential to create new jobs in emerging new industries, but that it also implies social costs and job losses in conventional industrial and energy sectors, often disproportionately affecting the most experienced workers; believes the low-carbon transformation must be socially acceptable and ensure access to decent employment in those economies still dependent on fossil fuels;

Or. en
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Paragraph 8 a (new)

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8a. Stresses that political decision-making on legislative measures must be undertaken in a coordinated fashion and expresses strong concerns that without full political consensus, individual proposals within the package could become subject to escalations in ambition, and threaten the attainment of the overall objectives of the European Green Deal; underlines the need for effective coordination of all relevant measures in order to ensure they act in concert in meeting the headline goals and do not conflict with other legislative aims when implemented;

Or. en
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Paragraph 8 b (new)

8b. Cautions that while polls such as Eurobarometer’s Climate Survey demonstrate support for general or unspecified climate action, often the costs or shifts in lifestyle borne by individuals in order to effect those actions are not clearly specified; considers, therefore, that popular support may be ‘soft’ and that when exposed to the scale of change associated with the European Green Deal, the views of many EU citizens may change if they do not receive adequate support; underlines the importance of ensuring popular support for all of the actions outlined in the European Green Deal, based upon accurate and honest assessments of their likely impacts and expected costs;

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Paragraph 8 c (new)

8c. Recognises its institutional responsibility to reduce its carbon footprint; proposes to adopt its own measures to reduce emissions, including replacing its fleet vehicles with zero-emission vehicles, and urgently calls on all the Member States to agree to a single seat for the European Parliament;

Or. en
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Paragraph 10

10. Calls for an ambitious Climate Law with a legally binding domestic and economy-wide target for reaching net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 at the latest, and intermediate EU targets for 2030 and 2040 to be finalised as part of that law by, at the latest, the time of its adoption by the co-legislators, based on impact assessments, as well as a strong governance framework; underlines that the Climate Law must reflect the best available science, with the aim of limiting global warming to 1.5°C, and that it should be kept up to date reflecting developments in the EU legal framework and the review cycle of the Paris Agreement; believes that the Climate Law must also include specific adaptation components, namely by requiring all Member States to adopt adaptation action plans;

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10. Notes that the EU recently adopted laws to implement the 40% greenhouse gas reduction target agreed unanimously by the European Council in 2014, and is still in the process of implementing the relevant legislation; expresses, therefore, firm misgivings about the political and economic feasibility of the Commission’s intention to increase the 2030 reduction target less than six years later;

Or. en
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11. Calls for an increase of the EU’s domestic GHG emissions reduction target for 2030 to 55% compared to 1990 levels; urges the Commission to bring forward a proposal to this end as soon as possible in order to allow the EU to adopt this target as its updated nationally determined contribution (NDC) well in advance of COP26; calls, furthermore, for this target to be subsequently integrated into the European Climate Law;

11. Calls on the von der Leyen Commission to take into consideration the conclusions of the previous Commission, which declined to increase the EU’s 2030 reduction target, and reconsider its approach, as Parliament is concerned that this significant upward increase will be based on unreliable evidence, leading to serious economic and social problems in many regions, and exposing EU industries to competition from regions with significantly lower environmental standards;
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Paragraph 23 a (new)

23a. Believes that nuclear energy can play a role in meeting climate objectives because it does not emit greenhouse gases, and can also ensure a significant share of electricity production in the EU; considers, nevertheless, that due to the waste it produces, this energy requires a medium- and long-term strategy that takes into account technological advances (laser, fusion, etc.) aimed at improving the sustainability of the entire sector; urges the Commission, in this regard, to consider the indispensable role played by nuclear energy as a low-carbon solution when preparing secondary legislation under the framework to facilitate sustainable investment;
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Paragraph 23 b (new)

23b. Expresses support for the fourth list of projects of common interest, which contains a number of essential gas projects with a view to developing a well-connected and shock-resilient gas grid for the EU and its neighbourhood; is concerned, moreover, at the decision of the EIB to no longer finance unabated natural gas projects;

Or. en