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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion

Andrea Cozzolino

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The situation in the Mediterranean and the need for a holistic EU approach to migration
(2015/2095(INI))

Amendment 1
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. **Believes** that the **current migratory challenge needs a holistic and integrated approach with multilevel cooperation involving the EU, the Member States, and regional and local authorities, including coordination with, and the involvement of, all stakeholders;**

Amendment

1. **Notes** that the holistic approach **has failed and that asylum and immigration policy must therefore revert to falling within the exclusive competence of the Member States;**

Or. de

Amendment 2
Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Believes that the current migratory challenge **needs** a holistic and integrated approach **with multilevel cooperation involving** the EU, the Member States, and regional and local authorities, including coordination with, and the involvement of, all stakeholders;

Amendment

1. Believes that the current migratory challenge **needs to move towards a common migration and asylum policy with** a holistic and integrated approach **that addresses key issues in migration such as international protection, combating human trafficking networks, regulating legal migration, and cooperation with the countries of origin and transit, and that an appropriate system for cooperation between** the EU, the Member States, and regional and local authorities **has to be secured**, including coordination with, and the involvement of, all stakeholders; **thinks therefore that efforts have to continue to promote an effective border policy that allows lives to be saved and guarantees security and safety, while encouraging policies and measures for the return of illegal immigrants, in**

conjunction with the countries of origin and transit;

Or. es

Amendment 3
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Believes that the current migratory **challenge** needs a **holistic and integrated** approach with multilevel cooperation involving **the EU**, the Member States, **and regional and local authorities, including coordination with, and the involvement of, all stakeholders;**

Amendment

1. Believes that the current migratory **flood** needs, **first and foremost**, a **national** approach with multilevel cooperation involving the Member States **of the EU and all third countries acting as transit points for migrants;**

Or. fr

Amendment 4
Viorica Dăncilă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

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Or. ro

Amendment 5
Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 6
Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi, Marco Zullo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Highlights that art. 80 TFUE defines how the policies of the Union shall be governed by the principle of solidarity and fair sharing of responsibility, including its financial implications, between the Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Monika Vana

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Underlines the necessity of a European-level response and a joint effort of all Member States; demands that Member States must not escape from their responsibility including on European solidarity;

Or. en

Amendment 8

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Believes that the cohesion policy should further aim at reducing disparities between the levels of development of the various regions and the addressing the challenges of the least favoured regions through the investments achieving maximum impact on the stimulation of growth and jobs across Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 9

Monika Vana

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Appreciates the valuable work of volunteers in the reception of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers that in some cases replaces the services which public authorities are obliged to deliver; calls therefore on the Member States to

increase their efforts in capacity building of their administrations and institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that migrants *should* not only *be considered* a humanitarian phenomenon but *also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to* the job market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants *are* not only a humanitarian phenomenon but *rather are characterised by various geopolitical and economic features; stresses that there is no right to a better life; notes that only a small proportion of migrants could be integrated into* the job market;

Or. de

Amendment 11
Louis Michel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that *migrants* should not only be considered *a humanitarian* phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that *migration* should not only be considered *an international, global and deeply human* phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market;

Or. fr

Amendment 12
Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to *promote a sustainable set of* measures, such as access to the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; *considers at the same time that legal immigration should be based on the needs of the labour market and on the capacity of Member States to integrate immigrants, bearing in mind too the demographic challenges and the economic crisis*; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to *be efficient in their administration of matters pertaining to migration and asylum and to put into practice* measures that help the integration of immigrants, especially in regard to education and access to the labour market;

Or. es

Amendment 13
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a *humanitarian* phenomenon but also *an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development*; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to *promote a sustainable set of* measures, such as access to the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that *such an influx of* migrants should not only be considered *an economic* phenomenon *that places a heavy burden on the social security systems of the Member States*, but also *an unprecedented threat to the values and way of life of Europeans*; recalls, in this regard, that the serious assaults carried out against hundreds of women in

Cologne and other German cities on New Year's Eve are almost entirely attributable to migrants classified as asylum seekers or irregular immigrants;

Or. fr

Amendment 14
Monika Vana

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a *sustainable* set of measures, such as access to the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a set of *sustainable* measures, such as access to the labour market *and training*;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that *migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development*; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a *sustainable* set of measures, such as *access to* the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that *the migrant situation is a pressing humanitarian phenomenon which needs a global approach*; asks the Member States along with regional and local authorities to promote a set of *effective and targeted* measures, such as *employment-oriented integration, programmes and policies looking at matching refugees' skills with labour market needs; stresses that measures to*

facilitate integration of refugees into the labour market should not undermine the impact of European funds to those who are already benefiting from them, such as the long-term unemployed;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants *and refugees* should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market *and social services*;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Marc Joulaud

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market; *feels that European migration policy must draw a*

clear distinction between refugees and economic migrants; stresses that these two categories must be subject to different approaches;

Or. fr

Amendment 18
Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment

2. Emphasises that *the migrants' situation is a pressing* humanitarian phenomenon; *urges* the Member States *in collaboration* with regional and local authorities, to promote a set of measures *to address this situation*;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Younous Omarjee, Martina Anderson

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to *all public services, including in the areas of education, training and seeking employment*, to the labour market *and to housing*;

Amendment 20

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Amendment

2. Emphasises that migrants should not only be considered a humanitarian phenomenon but also an opportunity for the EU to enhance economic and social development; asks the Member States, along with regional and local authorities, to promote a sustainable set of measures, such as access to the labour market; ***stresses the importance of vertical partnerships between different authorities and civil society in order to reduce red tape and speed up the integration of migrants;***

Or. ro

Amendment 21

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi, Marco Zullo

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Highlights, that in order to effectively tackle criminal networks of smugglers and traffickers, the EU needs legal and safe ways for both economic migrants and asylum seekers to reach Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi, Marco Zullo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Stresses that the EU and its Member States should also move beyond emergency or crisis responses, and envisage thus foreign and development policies that better address the persistent structural issues that lead to massive flows of migration;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Recalls that migrants tend to arrive and often – despite the efforts of the authorities to promote even distribution – tend to settle in urban areas; recognises the important role of cities in the short, medium and long term with regard to the reception, accommodation and integration of migrants;

deleted

Or. de

Amendment 24
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

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authorities to promote even distribution – tend to settle in urban areas; recognises the important role of cities in the short, medium and long term with regard to the reception, accommodation and integration of migrants;

Or. fr

Amendment 25
Younous Omarjee, Martina Anderson

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Or. fr

Amendment 26
Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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migrants;

of migrants *and refugees, with dignity*;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Recalls that migrants tend to arrive and often – despite the efforts of the authorities to promote even distribution – tend to settle in urban areas; recognises the important role of cities *in the short, medium and long term* with regard to the reception, accommodation and integration of migrants;

Amendment

3. Recalls that migrants tend to arrive and often – despite the efforts of the authorities to promote even distribution – tend to settle in urban areas; recognises the important role of cities with regard to the reception, accommodation and integration of migrants;

Or. en

Amendment 28

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Or. ro

Amendment 29

Rosa D'Amato, Isabella Adinolfi, Marco Zullo

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Deplores that in some Members States a series of serious frauds and administrative irregularities, often perpetrated with the involvement of organised crime, took place in the management of some asylum-seeker reception centres, resulting both in the misuse of European funds and in the further worsening of the living conditions and protection of the human rights of migrants;

Or. en

Amendment 30

Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. ***Welcomes*** the Luxemburg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which ***'consider*** providing cities and municipalities with ***adequate*** support ***to deal with the refugee situation, in particular by mobilising [...]*** the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds) ***dedicated to sustainable urban development and [by] accommodating the issue of migration and refugees within the EU Urban Agenda'***;

4. ***Condemns*** the Luxemburg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which ***consider*** providing cities and municipalities with ***further financial*** support ***for accepting more migrants whilst paying no heed to the concerns of local people; also condemns the intended mobilisation of*** the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds) ***to accommodate the issue of migration within the EU Urban Agenda, as this would constitute inappropriate use of the Funds;***

Amendment 31

Steeve Briois

Draft opinion**Paragraph 4***Draft opinion*

4. **Welcomes** the Luxembourg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which 'consider providing cities and municipalities with *adequate* support to **deal with the refugee situation**, in particular by mobilising [...] the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds) dedicated to sustainable urban development **and [by] accommodating the issue of migration and refugees within the EU Urban Agenda**';

Amendment

4. **Strongly denounces** the Luxembourg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which consider providing cities and municipalities with **financial** support to **manage the reception of migrants**, in particular by mobilising the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds) dedicated to sustainable urban development;

Or. fr

Amendment 32

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion**Paragraph 4***Draft opinion*

4. **Welcomes** the Luxembourg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which 'consider providing cities and municipalities with adequate support to deal with the refugee situation, in particular by mobilising [...] the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds)

Amendment

4. **Notes** the Luxembourg EU Council Presidency's conclusions of 27 November 2015 on the occasion of the Informal Ministerial Meeting on Territorial Cohesion and Urban Policy which 'consider providing cities and municipalities with adequate support to deal with the refugee situation, in particular by mobilising [...] the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds)

dedicated to sustainable urban development and [by] accommodating the issue of migration and refugees within the EU Urban Agenda’;

dedicated to sustainable urban development and [by] accommodating the issue of migration and refugees within the EU Urban Agenda’;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. Notes that any contribution made to help with the integration of migrants constitutes an inappropriate use of designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF);

Or. de

Amendment 34
Rosa D’Amato, Isabella Adinolfi, Marco Zullo

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation; *welcomes, moreover, the flexibility promised by the European Commission regarding the eligibility under the ERDF of a wide array of actions, from the*

opening of reception centres, mobile hospitals, water supply and sanitation facilities, to children care infrastructures and support for the creation of new enterprises;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation; *calls for greater coordination in the use of EU funds assigned to integration policies;*

Or. es

Amendment 36
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. *Supports* the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for *emergency* measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. *Condemns* the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment 37

Monika Vana

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation ***and water service infrastructure including drinking water;***

Or. en

Amendment 38

Julie Ward

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and ***refugees***, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation; ***also supports the use of ESF for access to health and care-giving services, as well as formal, non-formal and informal education and training;***

Or. en

Amendment 39

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. **Supports** the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 40

Ivan Jakovčić

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

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Amendment

5. Supports the allocation of the designated amounts from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) during 2014-2020 programming period to help with the integration of migrants and, in particular, the use of the ERDF for emergency measures concerning their accommodation; ***calls for funds to be earmarked from the European Social Fund (EFS) during the programming period 2014-2020 to increasing the speed of integration through language learning and training in line with the needs of the labour market;***

Or. hr

Amendment 41

Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Highlights the important role that social enterprises, including, cooperatives, mutuals, and alternative business models play in including and socially and economically empowering incoming refugees and asylum seekers; Calls on the Commission to make European cohesion funds available for such social enterprises to fulfil their potential;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; welcomes the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; urges the Member States accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;

Deleted

Or. de

Amendment 43
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Commission *and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; welcomes the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; urges the Member States accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;*

Amendment

6. Calls on the Commission *to immediately reconsider the possibility of reprogramming the conditions for the use of EU funds to benefit migrants;*

Or. fr

Amendment 44
Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; welcomes the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; urges the Member States accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;

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Or. en

Amendment 45
Marc Joulaud

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; welcomes the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; urges the Member States accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 46
Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; ***welcomes*** the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; ***urges the Member States***

Amendment

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; ***notes*** the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants;

accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to be flexible in using existing programmes to address the current additional challenges for cohesion policy; welcomes the Commission's readiness to examine proposals by the Member States to make use of EU support, and its willingness to examine and rapidly approve amendments to the 2014-2020 Operational Programmes in order to better integrate migrants; urges the Member States accordingly to take advantage of the funding available through the ESI Funds;

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Or. ro

Amendment 48

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Emphasises that any decisions on reallocation of the amounts from structural funds on migration issues should be left to the exclusive competence of the Member States and regions;

Amendment 49
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, *in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)*, are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds *should serve exclusively that purpose for which they were established; there must be no merging of this purpose with that of the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)*;

Or. de

Amendment 50
Louis Michel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, *the pathway to integration* and issues relating to poverty;

Or. fr

Amendment 51
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with *the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)*, are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with *EU humanitarian and development aid and subject to the condition that the Member State concerned consents, may be allocated to financing reception facilities for migrants in third countries, or to strengthening capacities in terms of the monitoring, detention and expulsion of migrants in the EU Member States;*

Or. fr

Amendment 52
Viorica Dăncilă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, *linguistic and vocational* skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Or. ro

Amendment 53
Julie Ward

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the ESI Funds, in synergy with the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory ***and refugee*** challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty ***and social and cultural exclusion***;

Or. en

Amendment 54

Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is of the opinion that the ***ESI Funds, in synergy with the*** Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Amendment

7. Is of the opinion that the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), are useful tools for addressing the scale of the migratory challenges in areas such as accommodation, relocation, skills training, and issues relating to poverty;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Invites the Commission to develop an approach to migration similar to that of the macro-regional strategy; emphasises that such an integrated and comprehensive approach should be based

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on INTERREG and include specific targets, and should also make use of instruments such as Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and Community-Led Local Development (CLLD);

Or. de

Amendment 56
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Invites the Commission to develop an approach to migration similar to that of the macro-regional strategy; emphasises that such an integrated and comprehensive approach should be based on INTERREG and include specific targets, and should also make use of instruments such as Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and Community-Led Local Development (CLLD);

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Or. fr

Amendment 57
Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

Amendment

8. Invites the Commission to develop an approach to migration similar to that of the macro-regional strategy; emphasises that such an integrated and comprehensive approach should be based on INTERREG and include specific targets, and should also make use of instruments such as Integrated Territorial

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Amendment 58
Younous Omarjee, Martina Anderson

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Invites the Commission to develop an approach to migration similar to that of the macro-regional strategy; emphasises that such an integrated and comprehensive approach should be based on INTERREG and include specific targets, and should also make use of instruments such as Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and Community-Led Local Development (CLLD);

Amendment

8. Invites the Commission to develop an approach to migration similar to that of the macro-regional strategy; emphasises that such an integrated and comprehensive approach should be based on INTERREG and include specific targets, and should also make use of instruments such as Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and Community-Led Local Development (CLLD); *recalls that the objective of territorial cooperation in the context of cohesion policy allows the various actors to find common solutions, including with third countries, and that it should be used in order to respond to the challenges of accommodating and integrating migrants;*

Amendment 59
Louis Michel

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Recalls the importance of strengthening the capacities of civil society and the cooperation between civil society and local actors by facilitating dialogue and involving all of the actors in

specific actions; calls for entrepreneurship among immigrants to be supported and developed as a vehicle for growth, social inclusion and employment through the development of a structure acting as an interface between this group of entrepreneurs and existing facilities;

Or. fr

Amendment 60
Monika Vana

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. Considers that cross-border cooperation is key to address migration flows; recalls the important contribution of European territorial cooperation programmes and the experience gained in their implementation, which also provides a good basis for cooperation between authorities of different Member States as mutual confidence could have been developed and consolidated over time;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, regarding the level and scope of any suspension of commitments or

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payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

Or. en

Amendment 62
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, regarding the level and scope of any suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

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Or. ro

Amendment 63
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, regarding the level and scope of any suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

9. Calls for Member States pursuing a rash policy of unbridled immigration to cover the cost which this entails themselves;

Amendment 64
Steeve Briois

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, ***regarding the level and scope of any suspension of*** commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, ***in order to immediately suspend any decision on*** commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

Or. fr

Amendment 65
Tomasz Piotr Poręba, Andrew Lewer, Ruža Tomašić

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, regarding the level and scope of any suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed ***for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.***

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission to make full use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the Common Provisions Regulation, regarding the level and scope of any suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed.

Or. en

Amendment 66

Andrea Cozzolino, Michela Giuffrida, Mercedes Bresso

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Urges the Commission to make **full** use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23(9)-(14) of the **Common Provisions Regulation**, regarding the level and scope of **any** suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure by individual Member States is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

Amendment

9. Urges the Commission, **in relation to any relevant country-specific recommendations**, to make use of its discretionary powers, under Article 23 of **Regulation 1303/2013, regarding both requested changes and reprogramming in the context of programme intervention and** the level and scope of **any** suspension of commitments or payments in cohesion policy, whenever additional public expenditure **has been incurred** by individual Member States **or regions or** is needed for the accommodation and integration of large numbers of migrants.

Or. it

Amendment 67

Monika Vana

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. Calls on the Commission to collect examples of good practices of regions and cities responding to the refugee crisis in a pro-active and welcoming approach and ensure their dissemination;

Or. en

Amendment 68

Younous Omarjee, Martina Anderson

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. Calls for the investment clause to be revised so that national and regional investments aimed at accommodating and integrating migrants and co-financed by ESI funds are excluded from the calculation of national deficits under the European Semester.

Or. fr

Amendment 69
Younous Omarjee

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9b. Denounces any manipulation or xenophobic tendencies on the part of public authorities, stakeholders or political actors on the issue of migration; calls for a firmer approach to be taken with regard to Member States which disassociate themselves from the fundamental values and rights of the European Union, as defined in the Treaties of the European Union and the Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. fr