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Interim report on the proposal for the multiannual financial framework for
2028-2034

(2025/0571R(APP))

Amendment 310

Joachim Streit, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Eubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, expressing Union solidarity and providing European public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Amendment

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, expressing Union solidarity and providing European public goods; ***considers that this is only possible in the context of regular consultation with local and regional authorities, who are best-equipped to assess the needs on the ground and provide concrete actions***; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 311

Valentina Palmisano

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

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Amendment

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, expressing Union solidarity, ***aiming to strengthen its cohesion, fighting the internal territorial, social and economic disparities***, and providing European public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the

States;

deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States *and its territories*;

Or. en

Amendment 312

Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, *promoting shared and endogenous growth among Member states and regions*, expressing Union solidarity and providing European public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition, *convergence among territories* and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 313

Waldemar Buda

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

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public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States;

public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ***primarily through convergence***, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 314
Jan Farský

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, expressing Union solidarity and providing European public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Amendment

18. Stresses that it is imperative to maintain the European dimension of the EU budget as a fundamental instrument for achieving common objectives, expressing Union solidarity and providing European public goods; underlines that the EU budget must remain the financial backbone supporting the deepening of Union integration, ensuring fair competition, ***territorial cohesion*** and equal opportunities across all Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 315
Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

18a. Stresses that the regions located on the European Union's eastern border with Ukraine, Russia and Belarus face specific threats and challenges resulting from Russia's criminal attack on Ukraine, as

Amendment

well as hybrid attacks from Belarus and Russia; stresses that building resilience and ensuring security in these regions should be a top priority; draws attention to the additional costs incurred by local and regional authorities in connection with the current situation, particularly in the areas of mobility, infrastructure resilience, security and migration, as well as to the deepening economic difficulties these regions are facing as a result of private investors' apprehensions and declining investment levels due to heightened tensions at the border; stresses, in this context, the importance of providing these regions with specific financial support and of establishing a programme with a dedicated budget for regions located on the European Union's eastern border with Ukraine, Russia and Belarus, in order to respond to their specific needs and challenges and to ensure their security; underlines the need for changes in the state aid intensity map aimed at raising its level;

Or. pl

Amendment 316
Isabelle Le Calennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Stresses that if they do not have distinct, guaranteed budgets, the cohesion, agricultural and fisheries policies could end up competing directly with one another for the same funding, despite them all being vital pillars of balanced development, food security and territorial cohesion in the European Union; emphasises that the regions and the agricultural and fisheries sectors need more investment than ever; warns that

such an approach could undermine funding stability and predictability, weaken regions' ability to plan long-term investments, and have a negative opinion on the absorption of funds, especially in regions with reduced administrative capacity;

Or. fr

Amendment 317

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Underscores that without separate and guaranteed budgets, both cohesion policy and agriculture could end up competing directly for the same financial resources, although both are essential pillars of balanced development, food security and territorial cohesion in the European Union; stressing that the need for investment in regions and the agricultural sector is greater than ever, warns that such an approach would weaken the stability and predictability of funding, reduce regions' ability to plan long-term investments and could negatively affect the absorption of funds, especially in regions with low administrative capacity;

Or. en

Amendment 318

Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. *Considers that the particular challenges of the EU's eastern border regions, directly and indirectly impacted by Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, must be adequately addressed in order to enhance defence, preparedness, resilience and security, and stresses the need to recognise the investment requirements for the integration of Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova into the EU internal market;*

Or. en

Amendment 319

Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. *Demands that the EU must stop funding illegal migration, financing progressive left-wing media attacking Member States' sovereignty, promoting the spread of woke propaganda or war propaganda from the EU budget; requests in this regard that both direct or indirect support channelled through NGOs must be finished and no money should be spent on promoting the European Commission's false political agenda;*

Or. en

Amendment 320

Cristina Guarda

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. *Observes that the rule proposed by the Commission at N+ 10 months, as enshrined in the Article 15 of the NRPP regulation, is particulalaly challenging, also given the time needed to operationalize the programmes, and severely undermines the possibility of implementing long-term investments and planning for quality projects;*

Or. en

Amendment 321

Joachim Streit, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Ľubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. *Considers that in order to guarantee a fair and open access to the EU funding, the Commission needs to increase its communication efforts and make the information on the funding opportunities accessible to all the potential beneficiaries;*

Or. en

Amendment 322

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. *Calls for the current structure of the common agricultural policy, consisting of two distinct pillars – Pillar I for direct payments and Pillar II for rural*

development – to be maintained;

Or. ro

Amendment 323

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Points out that Pillar II, rural development, of the CAP is intended to support investment in farms, the modernisation of farms, development of agri-food processing units and improvement of rural infrastructure, but also for territorial and local cooperation initiatives and support for knowledge exchange, innovation and dissemination of information (AKIS); stresses that the objectives under Pillar of the CAP differ from those of cohesion policy and seek primarily to increase the competitiveness of the agricultural sector, strengthen the agri-food value chain and reduce rural development gaps; for these reasons it is essential that Pillar II of the CAP be covered by a separate budget line and financial framework and that it not be integrated into cohesion policy; warns that including this fund in cohesion policy could dilute both support for agriculture, forestry and rural development and the resources earmarked for reducing regional disparities; believes that separate funding is needed in order to ensure the effectiveness of measures adopted, budgetary transparency and complementarity with the CAP and cohesion policy;

Or. ro

Amendment 324

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ștefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 b. Stresses that there is a major structural problem in the new proposed budgetary architecture, in so far as it amounts de facto to an abandonment of the regional orientation of cohesion policy; draws attention to the fact that, at present, eleven Member States no longer have any regions below the threshold of 75% of the Union's average GDP and that, in the absence of clear obligations on territorial distribution, these States will be able to use European funds without guarantees that they will be directed towards the regions with the greatest development gaps, thereby allowing investments to be concentrated in already prosperous areas, limiting the Union's capacity to support lagging regions, distancing the role of cohesion policy from its objectives and breaching Article 174 TFEU; emphasises, in this context, that the only protected allocation remains that for less developed regions, capped at EUR 218 billion which, in real terms, represents a reduction of approximately 9% compared to the current programming period;

Or. en

Amendment 325

Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. *Calls for special measures to be adopted for the outermost regions, pursuant to Article 349 TFEU, in view of their structural economic and social situation, which is exacerbated by their remoteness, insularity, small size, difficult topography and climate, and economic dependence on a small number of products; calls for particular attention to be paid to the agricultural and fisheries sectors, and for special instruments to be put in place for the outermost regions in the future CFP;*

Or. fr

Amendment 326

Joachim Streit, Ľubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 b. *Notes with concern that the proposed NRPP Regulation would represent a further complication and regulatory burden for the potential beneficiaries of the EU funding who already face excessive administrative and reporting obligations; firmly rejects such centralisation attempts, which risk discouraging final beneficiaries, by making the application process governed from the centre, rather from the regional level;*

Or. en

Amendment 327

Cristina Guarda

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 b. *Calls for continued and adequate support to regions currently benefiting from the Just Transition Fund; regrets the phasing out of the dedicated programme and stresses the need to preserve and broaden the just transition approach, ensuring that these regions can remain competitive while continuing their transition pathways and are not left behind in the next Multiannual Financial Framework;*

Or. en

Amendment 328
Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. *Stresses the need to ring-fence and secure separate funds to provide compensation for damage resulting from the adverse impact of the EU-Mercosur trade agreement on agriculture;*

Or. pl

Amendment 329
Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18c. *Notes that the introduction of provisions relating to territorial and local*

cooperation initiatives under the National and Regional Partnership Plans (NRPPs) makes them voluntary instruments without specific targets, which is liable to eliminate any contribution to these instruments from cohesion policy, the common agricultural policy or common fisheries policy, when they are essential for integrated, participatory development tailored to local specific needs, and strengthen the role of communities as key players in economic, social and environmental transitions;

Or. ro

Amendment 330

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 c. Denounces the fact that, in the proposal for the future multiannual financial framework, funding is guaranteed only for certain categories of regions, such as the underdeveloped ones, ignoring the existence of regions in ‘development traps’, which face economic stagnation, demographic decline and persistent social vulnerabilities; warns that this approach risks limiting the effectiveness of cohesion policy and widening territorial disparities;

Or. en

Amendment 331

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Jan Farský, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 d. Points out that many rural areas in the European Union are experiencing decline; states that predominantly rural regions in the Union have experienced an average annual decline in their working population of around —0.6 % and -0.7 % of young people between 2015 and 2022^{4a}, while the urban population increased, highlighting a persistent decline in the workforce and a migration of young people to urban centres; points out that these regions cover 45 % of the EU's surface area but are home to only 21 % of the population^{4b}, which, together with a higher than EU average demographic dependency ratio, illustrates the risk of a 'development trap' in rural areas; considers, therefore, that cohesion policy must include dedicated instruments to address these demographic trends and support young people, farmers and rural communities in preventing socio-economic decline;

^{4a} Eurostat, *Urban-rural Europe – demographic developments in rural regions and areas*, data extracted in May 2024.

https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php?title=Urban-rural_Europe_-_demographic_developments_in_rural_regions_and_areas

^{4b}

<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/products-eurostat-news/w/ddn-20230117-2>

Or. en

Amendment 332

Daniel Buda

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 d (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18d. Calls for instruments like LEADER, EIP-AGRI and LAG or quality schemes to remain anchored in the CAP Regulation, and to enjoy stability and continuity, without being made subject to a rigid conditionality regime based on milestones; insists, at the same time, that it should continue to be possible for other EU policies, such as cohesion policy, to contribute financially and strategically to local and territorial development objectives, through complementarity mechanisms, synergies and combined funding;

Or. ro

Amendment 333

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 e (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 e. Welcomes the role of the ERDF in supporting disadvantaged areas, sustainable urban development and the outermost regions; regrets, however, the absence of a provision dedicated to rural areas in the legislative proposal on Regional Development and Cohesion Policy^{5a}, despite the fact that around 137 million EU citizens live in rural areas, which cover around 83 % of the territory of the Union^{5b} and face significant disparities in terms of income, access to services and level of investment compared

to the urban environment, while being particularly exposed to demographic decline and the exodus of labour and highly skilled young people;

^{5a} proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Fund for Regional Development including for European Territorial Cooperation (Interreg) and the Cohesion Fund as part of the Fund set out in Regulation (EU) [...] [NRP] and establishing conditions for the implementation of the Union support to regional development from 2028 to 2034

^{5b} European Parliament resolution of 10 September 2025 on the future of agriculture and the post-2027 common agricultural policy (2025/2052 (INI))

Or. en

Amendment 334

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 f (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 f. Welcomes the proposal to maintain and finance the distinct Interreg programme, established outside the PPNR system and with a separate allocation of EUR 10.3 billion under the next financial perspective, with a view to supporting cross-border, transnational and interregional cooperation projects and strengthening cooperation with and between the outermost regions;

Or. en

Amendment 335

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 g. Stresses that regions located on the Union's eastern border with Ukraine, Russia and Belarus face unprecedented geopolitical, economic and social pressures, which generate additional costs for local and regional authorities in terms of infrastructure resilience, population mobility, social support and administrative capacity; considers, therefore, that these realities warrant further reflection on the level of financial support and flexibility of Interreg programmes dedicated to external borders, so that allocations adequately reflect the specific risks and needs of these territories;

Or. en

Amendment 336

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Jan Farský, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 h. Encourages Member States to use cohesion policy resources for the development of strategic food storage infrastructure in order to strengthen territorial resilience and crisis response capacity, including in the event of armed conflicts or major disruptions of supply chains; stresses that such investments

contribute to food security, the protection of the population and the continuity of critical public services at regional level, including during peacetime;

Or. en

Amendment 337

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 i (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 i. Points out that the proposed new budgetary architecture for the next multiannual financial framework risks significantly diminishing the role of local and regional authorities as national and regional plans will mainly concentrate decision-making power at the level of national authorities; stresses that this risk is particularly enhanced in centralised Member States, where regions have limited legal recognition and reduced competences; warns that this centralisation may lead to a less tailored allocation to real territorial needs and weaken the principle of multilevel governance;

Or. en

Amendment 338

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 j (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 j. *Calls for the introduction of minimum allocation thresholds per cohesion policy fund, following the current model comprising the ERDF, the Cohesion Fund and the Just Transition Fund, as well as the inclusion of dedicated allocations for Interreg and less developed regions, in order to prevent disproportionate redirection of resources towards central national priorities and ensure the preservation of cohesion policy territorial instruments and objectives;*

Or. en

Amendment 339

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 k. *Calls for the horizontal objective of allocating at least 35% of the Union budget to climate and environmental action not to be achieved to the detriment of cohesion policy and its fundamental mission of reducing regional disparities; considers that cohesion investments can, where relevant, also contribute to climate objectives, but without altering the nature, autonomy and main objectives of cohesion policy and without limiting the capacity of regions to respond to their specific economic and social needs;*

Or. en

Amendment 340

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Iuliu Winkler, Krzysztof Hetman

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 l (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 l. Stresses that the Commission's proposal for the allocation of Interreg funds almost completely ignores the territorial, infrastructural and geopolitical realities of the Union's external borders; underlines that this approach disadvantages Member States with extensive and sparsely populated external borders, particularly in the eastern part of the EU, which are directly affected by the war in Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 341

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 m (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 m. Welcomes the possibility of using EU funds, including cohesion policy, to finance affordable housing; draws attention to the need to also promote and support public-private partnerships in this regard; calls for these investments to be targeted as a priority for urban and rural regions suffering from demographic decline and labour force loss; stresses that social and affordable housing is an essential condition for strengthening economic, social and territorial cohesion, combating energy poverty and social exclusion, and supporting labour mobility and the attractiveness of regions;

Or. en

Amendment 342
Șerban Dimitrie Sturdza

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

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Or. en

Amendment 343
Valentina Palmisano

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity **and cohesion** that underpins European integration; **the allocation of funds should not be left to the sole discretion of the Member States, but be based on shared management, partnership and multilevel governance; affirms therefore that in those Member States where Regional Plans are not applicable, the Plan shall be prepared in**

partnership with regional and local authorities, in accordance with their institutional framework. The Plan shall include mandatory regional chapters with one chapter per region, the regions being managing authorities having full responsibility for its planning, definition of milestones and targets at regional level and implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 344
Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration; ***stresses that fund allocation should never be left to the discretion of Member States, but should be based on shared management, partnership and multilevel governance; reiterates that the NRPPs should be drawn up in conjunction with regional and local authorities and should include a chapter for each region, given that the regions are the managing authorities responsible for planning, setting targets and milestones at regional level, and putting them into practice;***

Or. fr

Amendment 345

Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment

19. rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration; ***stresses, at the same time, that a balanced approach must be found and a certain degree of flexibility must be ensured within specific, separate policies and programmes, allowing national and regional priorities tailored to the specific characteristics of the countries concerned to be taken into account and for new challenges to be addressed;***

Or. pl

Amendment 346

Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment

19. Rejects any move towards an ‘à la carte’ Europe where differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach would fragment the single market, create unfair competitive advantages, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration; ***regrets the loss of the European perspective in key EU structural policies such as cohesion,***

Amendment 347

Waldemar Buda

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Rejects any move towards an *‘à la carte’* Europe where *differentiated participation undermines the unity and coherence of EU policies and programmes; warns that such an approach* would fragment the single market, *create unfair competitive advantages*, and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment

19. Rejects any move towards an *multi-speed* Europe, where *lack of coherence and insufficient convergence* would fragment the single market and erode the principle of solidarity that underpins European integration;

Amendment 348

Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

19a. Points out that, under Article 349 TFEU, the Union must devise and implement specific policies and programmes for the outermost regions, and stresses that this obligation must be reflected in the next MFF through a specific and adequately funded allocation for these regions, particularly under Heading 1; stresses, furthermore, that the programme of options specifically related to remoteness and insularity (POSEI)

Amendment

must be strengthened and preserved as a distinct Union instrument, outside the scope of national and regional plans, with the aim of ensuring stable, predictable support that is truly tailored to the needs of the outermost regions;

Or. pt

Amendment 349
Șerban Dimitrie Sturdza

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Calls for special attention and enhanced support to be dedicated to the Union's eastern border regions neighbouring Russia, Belarus and Ukraine, in view of their specific security challenges and strategic geopolitical importance; stresses that strengthening local capacities and community resilience in these regions is essential not only for safeguarding the Union's security, but also for supporting regional development, promoting social cohesion, creating employment and improving living conditions;

Or. en

Amendment 350
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Reminds that the Commission cannot be trusted with the allocation of substantial EU budgetary funds to

unaccountable civil society organisations, since there is justified concern that opaque backroom deals and hidden agendas may influence decision-makers responsible for selecting and financing these organisations; condemns that numerous organizations receiving EU funding have been criticized for advancing one-sided narratives under the guise of civil society representation;

Or. en

Amendment 351
Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Affirms that in those Member States where Regional Plans are not applicable, the Plan shall be prepared in partnership with regional and local authorities, in accordance with their institutional framework; insists that the Plan shall include mandatory regional chapters with one chapter per region, the regions being managing authorities having full responsibility for its planning, definition of milestones and targets at regional level and implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 352
Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Christian Doleschal, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. *Stresses that the MFF needs simplification, in particular as regards the criteria for accessing EU funding, such as the ‘do no significant harm’ principle; considers that the Commission’s efforts to increase the flexibility of the MFF are justified, yet underscores that this flexibility should be balanced with predictability for the final beneficiaries;*

Or. en

Amendment 353

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ștefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Jan Farský, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman

**Motion for a resolution
Subheading 4 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Highlights that funding under Heading 2 should be designed in such a way as, on the one hand, to ensure compliance with the principle of excellence and, on the other hand, to guarantee a geographical balance in access to its resources; stresses that, in order to ensure the EU’s competitiveness on the global stage, the Union must fully harness the potential of all EU regions, as concentrating the resources of the European Competitiveness Fund in a limited number of Member States would undermine the Union’s obligation under the Treaties to strengthen its economic, social and territorial cohesion;

Or. en

Amendment 354

Jacek Protas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

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electrification; underlines that without a predictable cohesion policy funding it would be extremely difficult to implement the EU climate policy, achieve the 2040 and 2050 climate goals, and increase the resilience and competitiveness of the EU economy across all regions;

Or. en

Amendment 355

Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsenyi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman

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Or. el

Amendment 357
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Motion for a resolution
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Or. en

Amendment 358
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution
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Or. fr

Amendment 361

Waldemar Buda

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment 362
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
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Amendment 363
Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

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Or. fr

Amendment 364

Krzysztof Hetman

**Motion for a resolution
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**Amendment 365
Rody Tolassy**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20**

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Or. fr

Amendment 366
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Insists on the urgent need to refocus European research programmes on the objectives of economic competitiveness, strategic autonomy and

cutting-edge innovation, which requires the immediate discontinuation of programmes that contribute neither to technological sovereignty nor to scientific leadership, divert resources from technological progress and undermine the credibility of research in Europe, such as the following projects: ‘Fostering Queer Feminist Intersectional Resistances against Transnational Anti-Gender Politics’ (EUR 2.38 million), Tracing Queer Citizenship over Time: Ageing, ageism and age-related LGBTIQ+ politics in Europe (EUR 2 million), Rethinking Queer Kinship: LGBTIQ Families with children in Central and Eastern Europe (EUR 2.5 million), ‘YOUth Debunking the gendered Arguments of far-Right Extremism’ (EUR 2.9 million), ‘White Islam: A New Religion for Europeans’ (EUR 271 052), ‘Eco-Islam in Indonesia: Media, Institutions, Publics’ (EUR 2 million) and ‘Superstition, Material Religion and Hidrellez in Turkey’ (EUR 254 330);*

Or. en

Amendment 367
Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. *Reaffirms its belief that, within the Horizon Europe programme, research and development of vaccines for animal diseases must be one of the priorities; considers that this priority will contribute to the promotion of rural areas, in the context of the One Health approach, which recognises the interconnection between human health, animal health and environmental health, it being essential to strengthen, within the framework of*

European Union research programmes, investment in research and development of animal health measures, including preventive and containment measures, such as vaccination, with a view to controlling and eradicating diseases, protecting animal welfare and ensuring the resilience of the livestock sector, and that the effective, equitable and timely availability of such vaccines to all farmers should therefore be ensured;

Or. pt

Amendment 368
Jacek Protas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Expresses opinion that the Heading 2 funding ought to be designed in a way that on one hand ensures the excellence principle, and on the other hand guarantees geographical balance in access to their resources; is convinced that in order to ensure the EU competitiveness on global stage, the Union needs to fully exploit potential of all EU regions, since concentrating the European Competitiveness Fund resources in a limited number of EU member states would undermine the Union's obligation under Treaties to strengthen its economic, social and territorial cohesion;

Or. en

Amendment 369
Maravillas Abadía Jover

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Stresses the importance of further strengthening and expanding InvestEU as part of the Union's competitiveness framework, in order to ensure continued access to loans, guarantees and financial support for small and medium-sized enterprises; underlines that InvestEU should provide more flexible and accessible financing instruments, particularly for SMEs, including but not limited to those operating within the social economy, which play a key role as drivers of local economic development, job creation and social cohesion, especially in depopulated and rural areas;

Or. en

Amendment 370

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Stresses that healthy environment and environmental resilience are a prerequisite for European competitiveness; recalls that over two thirds of the EU economy depends on nature; stresses that the setup of the European Competitiveness Fund as proposed by the European Commission foresees continued funding of all LIFE projects; underlines that to maintain the LIFE brand LIFE activities should be implemented through dedicated calls for proposals;

Or. en

Amendment 371
Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Stresses that an accelerating shift towards centrally managed instruments risks weakening place-based investment and territorial cohesion; emphasises that cohesion policy is a key driver of regional competitiveness and should be better connected with investments under Heading 2, including by ensuring complementarity and territorial accessibility for all regions;

Or. en

Amendment 372
Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. Recognises that principle of excellence and the competitiveness objective in promoting financing under Heading 2, but also stresses the need to ensure equal access to funding opportunities for participants in all Member States, while taking into account the need for an harmonious development of the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 373
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 a. *Considers that a place-based approach should be taken into account for all relevant funds, including those supporting the Union's industrial competitiveness, to reflect local and regional assets, capacities and vulnerabilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 374
Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. *Takes the view that the Competitiveness Fund should include a specific pillar dedicated to water resilience, as this is regarded as a key element of territorial cohesion and the economic and social viability of the agricultural sector; stresses that efficient, sustainable and integrated water management is a prerequisite for strengthening the competitiveness of all regions, including urban areas, for adapting to climate change and for ensuring food security in the Union, while at the same time ensuring the protection of ecosystems and a balance between the various uses of water;*

Or. pt

Amendment 375
Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 b. Regrets that despite the Parliament's call for 'increased directly managed support for environment and biodiversity protection and climate action building on the current LIFE programme, the Commission did not propose to continue the LIFE programme which, since 1992, has been the cornerstone of EU funding for the climate and the environment; Calls for LIFE to be reinstated as a stand-alone programme as part of the 2028-2034 MFF;

Or. en

Amendment 376
Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20 c. Recalls the key role of smart specialisation strategies (S3) in strengthening regional innovation ecosystems and EU value chains; calls for S3 to remain a central tool linking place-based cohesion investments with Union-level competitiveness objectives and facilitating synergies between Headings 1 and 2;

Or. en

Amendment 377
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

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Amendment 378
Jan Farský

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Or. fr

Amendment 381
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21 a. Underlines that future EU enlargements should be conducted with a view to avoid placing any burden on Cohesion Policy and the CAP, enlargement must in no way come at the expense of EU's current regions and farming system;

Or. en

Amendment 382
Joachim Streit, Elsi Katainen, Lubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 a. Stresses that such well-functioning administration on the local and regional level is also a key for the success of the EU policies, including its territorial cohesion efforts; considers therefore that with every new obligation under the EU law which falls on citizens, as well as on local and regional authorities, sufficient financial resources should be dedicated by the EU to guarantee the correct implementation of the new EU norms;

Or. en

Amendment 383

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Notes with concern that the Commission's self-imposed stable staffing has proven inadequate to meet operational requirements; acknowledges that, for the 2028-2034 MFF, the Commission has requested additional posts; insists that the staffing needs of all institutions and bodies have to be taken into account when establishing additional posts; highlights the particularly alarming situation whereby some EU agencies receive inadequate operational funding, severely limiting their capacity to fulfil their mandates and deliver on policy objectives;

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Or. en

Amendment 384

André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Klara Dostalova, Rody Tolassy

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Or. fr

Amendment 385
Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
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Or. fr

Amendment 386
Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

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Motion for a resolution

25. Restates also its view that there should be a second special instrument, the Solidarity Reserve for Natural Disasters, dedicated to ensuring solidarity in the event of natural disasters; considers that both special instruments should be able to carry over unspent amounts throughout the MFF period, to guarantee flexibility;

Amendment

25. Restates also its view that there should be a second special instrument, the Solidarity Reserve for Natural Disasters, ***with sufficient annual funding based on statistical evidence and the possibility to mobilise immediately, particularly in areas that are repeatedly affected by wildfires, flooding, drought and extreme weather conditions, and*** dedicated to ensuring solidarity in the event of natural disasters; considers that both special instruments should be able to carry over unspent amounts throughout the MFF period, to guarantee flexibility;

Or. el

Amendment 387

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

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25. Restates also its view that there should be a second special instrument, the Solidarity Reserve for Natural Disasters, dedicated to ensuring solidarity in the event of natural disasters ***and based on a 'build back better' approach that prioritises nature-based solutions in reconstruction and recovery means;*** considers that both special instruments should be able to carry over unspent amounts throughout the MFF period, to guarantee flexibility;

Or. en

Amendment 388

Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25a. *requests a special financial allocation for water resource management projects, with a greater emphasis on preventive measures to boost resilience to physical disasters, water scarcity prevention and adaptation to climate change, with a view to both preventing flooding and dealing with drought, particularly in Mediterranean and island regions, given that the availability and quality of water play a crucial role in ensuring fair, sustainable and productive livelihoods, especially in rural areas;*

Or. el

Amendment 389
Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25b. *Calls for the expansion of renewable energy in remote and rural areas based on their potential to reduce energy costs with the involvement of civil society and local communities; emphasises the need for financial incentives, measures such as renewable energy communities and simplified administrative processes to boost regional energy independence and sustainability while avoiding negative impacts on food production, land availability and prices, as well as on social cohesion; calls for a dedicated financing mechanism for the installation of photovoltaic, wind and*

other renewable energy sources;

Or. el

Amendment 390
Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25c. Recognises that tourism is frequently a major source of income for rural, mountainous, insular and outermost regions, as well as in the Mediterranean region, with the potential to encourage job creation and entrepreneurship and to draw in growing numbers of visitors curious to discover their nature, traditions and cultural heritage through the unique experiences on offer; urges the Commission and the Member States to boost tourism in rural and depopulated areas and fishing tourism in seaside and lakeside areas or in areas at risk of depopulation, by financing initiatives that enhance historic villages and traditional local products and establishing new green paths and other nature trails, as well as a label recognising outstanding environments in rural and nature tourism and fishing tourism, along similar lines to the ‘blue flag’ awarded to beaches;

Or. el

Amendment 391
Jan Farský

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Notes that the Commission proposes EUR 88 billion for the Ukraine Reserve within the MFF regulation to finance pre-accession assistance, recovery and reconstruction efforts; considers that this amount could provide substantial support; observes, however, that should the conflict continue, this allocation would be insufficient to meet Ukraine's needs; calls for an increase and frontloading of the Reserve, with a view to providing additional support to Ukraine;

Amendment

26. Notes that the Commission proposes EUR 88 billion for the Ukraine Reserve within the MFF regulation to finance pre-accession assistance, ***forward looking sustainable*** recovery and reconstruction efforts; considers that this amount could provide substantial support; observes, however, that should the conflict continue, this allocation would be insufficient to meet Ukraine's needs, ***particularly in view of the geographically spread challenges related to the impacts of the war across vast territories throughout Ukrainian regions***; calls for an increase and frontloading of the Reserve, with a view to providing additional support to Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment 392

Isabelle Le Calennec

Motion for a resolution

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Or. fr

Amendment 393

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 28**

Motion for a resolution

28. Insists that the MFF regulation must require the Commission to present a review of the functioning of the MFF, by July 2031 at the latest, taking full account of the economic situation at that time, as well as the latest macroeconomic projections; is also of the view that such a compulsory review should, as appropriate, be accompanied by a legislative proposal for the revision of this Regulation in accordance with the procedures set out in the TFEU; stresses that any such revision should not reduce pre-allocated national envelopes, as set out in the NRPP Regulation;

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Or. en

Amendment 394

Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 29 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29 a. Insists that no EU funding under the 2028–2034 MFF shall support fossil fuel projects, or projects that undermine climate objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 395

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 30**

Motion for a resolution

30. Takes note of the Commission's narrative that its proposals seek to increase flexibility and simplification in the next MFF; recalls that Parliament has consistently argued for simplification for final beneficiaries; acknowledges the need for flexibility but firmly rejects any approach that sacrifices transparency under the guise of efficiency; regrets that the Commission's simplification proposals primarily benefit its own processes rather than final beneficiaries, thereby exacerbating the democratic deficit in the Union; insists that simplification must not compromise programme quality, *or* democratic accountability; stresses that Parliament will put forward all the transparency mechanisms necessary to fulfil its role as the guardian of citizens' interests; warns that flexibility without transparency would widen the democratic accountability gap and undermine public trust in the EU;

Amendment

30. Takes note of the Commission's narrative that its proposals seek to increase flexibility and simplification in the next MFF **and calls on Member States to refrain from national-level measures that undermine or dilute EU-level simplification efforts, including practices such as gold-plating**; recalls that Parliament has consistently argued for simplification for final beneficiaries; acknowledges the need for flexibility but firmly rejects any approach that sacrifices transparency under the guise of efficiency; **observes that simplification measures should entail a balance between the need for better accessibility to funds and the protection of the EU budget and should take into due consideration concerns and inputs from institutional and non-institutional stakeholders**; regrets that the Commission's simplification proposals primarily benefit its own processes rather than final beneficiaries, thereby exacerbating the democratic deficit in the Union; insists that simplification must not compromise programme quality, democratic accountability **and the proper involvement of LRAs and of civil society**; stresses that Parliament will put forward all the transparency mechanisms necessary to fulfil its role as the guardian of citizens' interests; warns that flexibility without transparency would widen the democratic accountability gap and undermine public trust in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 396

Joachim Streit, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Ľubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 397

Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Draws attention to the highly complex, rigid and overly extensive policy reference framework, including as

regards the 43 % green target and the discretion granted to the Commission to increase it, which severely constrains the flexibility of Member States and regions to define priorities reflecting national and regional specificities; warns that, under these conditions, the National and Regional Partnership Plans (NRPPs) are likely to become predominantly compliance-driven instruments, prioritising adherence to regulatory requirements over the effective addressing of genuine territorial needs and challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 398
Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30a. Stresses that local and regional authorities must participate in a meaningful way in the planning, implementation and monitoring of MFF programmes; recalls the need for rural areas to be able to provide essential high-quality services of general interest to the public to improve their livelihood and to harness their strengths to achieve sustainable development, for which they should receive sufficient financial support;

Or. el

Amendment 399
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. *Calls for a binding role for local and regional authorities in the design, implementation and monitoring of national and regional partnership plans, in line with the principle of subsidiarity; Insists that any new obligations or objectives imposed on local and regional authorities by EU legislation must be accompanied by adequate and dedicated financial resources;*

Or. en

Amendment 400

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. *Considers that the European Semester should be modernised by reinforcing the subnational dimension of country reports and that regions should be involved in the drafting of country reports and country-specific recommendations with a view to consolidating ownership of the shared process at all levels;*

Or. en

Amendment 401

Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Underlines that the long-term legitimacy of Union action in addressing regional disparities depends on keeping the local and regional level at the centre of cohesion policy design and implementation, thereby strengthening citizens' trust in the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 402

Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Believes that Territorial Impact Assessments including rural proofing shall be carried out as part of the development and evaluation of the NRP Plans;

Or. en

Amendment 403

Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30b. Municipalities and local government in general play a crucial role as drivers of regional economic development, benefiting from substantial tax revenues generated by their local economies; to this end, calls on the Commission, with due regard for the principle of subsidiarity in fiscal matters, to initiate a dialogue on the potential

benefits of sharing taxes on economic activities with municipalities;

Or. el

Amendment 404
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 b. Believes that eligibility rules and State aid criteria for investments directed to the same policy goal should be consistent across programmes implemented in the same place whereby shared-management programmes should benefit, where appropriate, from the same criteria applying to direct-management programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 405
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 b. Calls for strengthened and ring-fenced support for rural areas, islands, outermost regions and structurally disadvantaged territories, as provided in Article 174, 175, 349 and 355 TFEU;

Or. en

Amendment 406

Sakis Arnaoutoglou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30c. whereas the clean energy transition, the diversification of the economy and the expansion of renewable energy sources present significant opportunities for remote, rural and less developed regions, allowing them to leverage their natural resources and geographic advantages and to exploit their full potential for the future production of renewable energy;

Or. el

Amendment 407

Marcos Ros Sempere, Sabrina Repp, Nora Mebarek, Daniel Attard, Rosa Serrano Sierra

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31. Notes with concern that the MFF proposals include widespread use of financing not linked to costs for a substantial portion of the instruments under the next MFF; draws attention to the fact that without adequate safeguards to ensure sound financial management in the implementation of Union funding or clear steps to address the shortcomings identified in previous or existing performance-based instruments, this approach entails substantial risks; considers that any possible increase in efficiencies cannot come at the expense of the protection of the financial interests of the Union; calls for appropriate oversight and accountability mechanisms to be established in all relevant legal acts;

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that the model of financing not linked to cost is as a method unfeasible for certain policy areas and groups such as vulnerable groups; therefore calls for exemptions from this model to be possible in the relevant programmes such as the European Social Fund; warns that the issue of liability in case of non achievement of milestones has not been sufficiently addressed by the Commission proposal and that conflicts arising from this can seriously threaten the achievements of cohesion policy objectives; notes that the continued use of simplified cost options is impossible under the financing not linked to cost model without the creation of an appropriate legal basis;

Or. en

Amendment 408

Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 31

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stresses that performance frameworks must allow sufficient flexibility to reflect regional specificities and avoid duplicative monitoring of costs and milestones; calls for managing authorities at regional level to play a decisive role in defining indicators, targets and implementation timelines;

Or. en

Amendment 409

Joachim Streit, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 31

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Or. en

Amendment 410
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Notes with concern that the MFF proposals include widespread use of financing not linked to costs for a substantial portion of the instruments under the next MFF; draws attention to the fact that without adequate safeguards to ensure sound financial management in the implementation of Union funding or clear steps to address the shortcomings identified in previous or existing performance-based instruments, this approach entails substantial risks; considers that any possible increase in efficiencies cannot come at the expense of the protection of the financial interests of the Union; calls for appropriate oversight and accountability mechanisms to be established in all relevant legal acts;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 411
Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

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Or. fr

Amendment 412
Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31a. *Opposes the implementation of overly rigid performance frameworks, similar to the PRR model for access to funds, as they constrain financing, which leads to delays in payments and implementation; warns that, in the case of less developed regions with small administrations, such as the outermost regions, the concern is even more apparent, as the difficulty in achieving certain parameters and targets, especially outside the scope of cohesion, is greater; stresses the importance of ensuring a methodology that guarantees flexibility and is aligned with the objectives of the Treaty and with actual needs at local and regional level; draws attention to the fact that regional policy already has a comprehensive performance methodology in place, based on horizontal and specific enabling conditions, including reforms, with milestones and targets often linked to those reforms;*

Or. pt

Amendment 413
Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 a. Observes that the shift to milestone-based disbursement and “cash-for-reforms” logic replicates the Recovery and Resilience Facility model — useful in crisis response, but incompatible with cohesion’s redistributive purpose; warns that a policy reference framework relying primarily on national reform agendas and the European Semester lacks a sufficient territorial dimension and risks sidelining local and regional authorities in the definition of priorities; expresses its concern that linking funds to national reform agendas risks penalising weaker administrative systems and diverting resources away from lagging regions, precisely those the policy was meant to uplift; stresses that reforms and investments must be designed bottom-up, at the appropriate governance level, and calls for the European Semester to integrate the multilevel governance principle;

Or. en

Amendment 414
Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 a. Underlines that the proposed architecture, including the transfer

towards performance-based system, entails significant changes of the management and control systems and change of the mind-set of both the administrative structures and the beneficiaries; taking into account the significant transformation of the implementation system, a realistic approach is the maintaining of the current decommitment rule n+3;

Or. en

Amendment 415
Jacek Protas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 a. Highlights that the MFF needs simplification, particularly with regard to the criteria for accessing EU funding, such as the 'do no significant harm' principle; is of the opinion, that the Commission's efforts to increase the flexibility are justified, but flexibility must to be balanced with predictability for end beneficiaries;

Or. en

Amendment 416
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 a. Calls for the introduction of a mandatory “do no social harm” assessment for all EU-funded

programmes and projects, ensuring that no EU spending leads to negative social impacts or increased inequalities;

Or. en

Amendment 417
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 b. Insists that all EU-funded actions must be aligned with the Union's climate and biodiversity objectives and the Paris Agreement, with clear and enforceable environmental conditionality;

Or. en

Amendment 418
Valentina Palmisano
on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 c. Rejects any attempt to justify military or defence-related expenditure under environmental or climate-related objectives and calls for a clear separation between climate action and military spending;

Or. en

Amendment 419
Valentina Palmisano

on behalf of The Left Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

31 d. Calls for the introduction of the "do no harm to cohesion principle" within all EU policies, stressing that no action should be taken that might hamper the social and economic convergence of EU regions, or that could contribute to regional disparities;

Or. en

Amendment 420
Maravillas Abadía Jover

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32. Acknowledges the proposal for a Performance Regulation as a first step in putting in place a horizontal expenditure tracking and performance monitoring framework for the budget; considers that this approach can lead to greater coherence in the monitoring and implementation of EU spending programmes and in the mainstreaming of important EU objectives; stresses that the inclusion of horizontal principles in a single framework must enable more effective tracking methodologies and parliamentary scrutiny without creating additional burdens;

32. Stresses that any horizontal expenditure tracking and performance monitoring framework must be firmly anchored also in cost-based evaluation, ensuring a clear link between financial inputs and achieved results; warns that performance frameworks which dilute or remove cost-efficiency criteria risk weakening accountability, reducing parliamentary scrutiny and obscuring the real value added of EU spending; underlines that transparent, cost-related performance assessment is essential to improve budgetary design, strengthen citizens' trust and ensure that EU funds deliver measurable and tangible outcomes for taxpayers;

Or. en

Amendment 421

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

32. Acknowledges the proposal for a Performance Regulation as a first step in putting in place a horizontal expenditure tracking and performance monitoring framework for the budget; considers that this approach can lead to greater coherence in the monitoring and implementation of EU spending programmes and in the mainstreaming of important EU objectives; ***insists on its position that continued significant improvement in climate and biodiversity mainstreaming methodologies is needed to more accurately reflect the impact of EU funds***; stresses that the inclusion of horizontal principles in a single framework must enable more effective tracking methodologies and parliamentary scrutiny without creating additional burdens;

Or. en

Amendment 422

Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 a. Believes that in order for the provisions of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 240/2014 on the European Code of Conduct on Partnership to be enforceable within the new NRP Plan governance its provisions need to be transformed into measurable indicators in the Performance

Regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 423

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 a. Calls to further improve the gender mainstreaming tracking methodology in particular as regards granularity, and expects a by more detailed guidelines to be established in consultation with the European Parliament and relevant stakeholders;

Or. en

Amendment 424

Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 a. Takes note of the different approaches under the Performance Regulation between direct management, where the Regulation focuses on expenditure tracking, and shared management, where the proposed indicators condition payments;

Or. en

Amendment 425

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 b. Underlines that the proposed climate and environment spending target of 35% is insufficient to ensure that the Union budget is an essential contributor to achieving climate neutrality by 2050; calls, therefore, for an increase of the target to at least 50%; reminds the horizontal nature of the target and that not applying the target to the entire budget reduces its transparency;

Or. en

Amendment 426
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 b. Stresses that the Single Gateway shall provide continuous data on expenditure at national and regional level of all funds under shared management;

Or. en

Amendment 427
Maravillas Abadía Jover

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 a. Underlines that new performance framework, effective protection of the

Union's financial interests requires strong and reliable control systems; notes that the Commission continues to depend to a large extent on national system arrangements for ensuring compliance with Union and national rules, including in programmes implemented under direct management; stresses that enhanced traceability of expenditure, clear accountability structures and robust monitoring mechanisms are indispensable to prevent irregularities, ensure value for money and strengthen public trust in EU spending;

Or. en

Amendment 428

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 36**

Motion for a resolution

36. Emphasises the need for robust governance ensuring parliamentary accountability, oversight and control, alongside an effective anti-fraud architecture; rejects any approach that limits Parliament to a consultative or information-only role in the mobilisation of any instrument or fund under the next MFF; stresses that budgetary flexibility must not circumvent the prerogatives of the budgetary authority and that all redeployments, reprogramming and mobilisation of cushions or other reserves must be subject to Parliament's approval; considers that genuine flexibility requires both rapid response capacity and democratic legitimacy, which can only be achieved through Parliament's full participation in decisions on the allocation and use of resources;

Amendment

36. Emphasises the need for robust governance ensuring parliamentary accountability, oversight and control, alongside ***respect for multilevel governance*** and an effective anti-fraud architecture; rejects any approach that limits Parliament to a consultative or information-only role in the mobilisation of any instrument or fund under the next MFF; stresses that budgetary flexibility must not circumvent the prerogatives of the budgetary authority and that all redeployments, reprogramming and mobilisation of cushions or other reserves must be subject to Parliament's approval; considers that genuine flexibility requires both rapid response capacity and democratic legitimacy, which can only be achieved through Parliament's full participation in decisions on the allocation

and use of resources;

Or. en

Amendment 429

Joachim Streit, Elsi Katainen, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Eubica Karvašová, Dan Barna

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

36 a. Stresses that, within the framework of EU budget management, there must be a dedicated mechanism for consulting local citizens on EU funding, involving local authorities where appropriate; considers that the participation of the people living in remote and sparsely populated areas is essential in order to formulate budgetary needs; believes that such mechanism of direct consultation concerning the EU budget will make EU policies closer and more understandable to the citizens; notes that such participative elements in the EU budget would have a general positive effect on the public support for the whole EU integration project;

Or. en

Amendment 430

Tamás Deutsch

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

36 a. Expresses deep concern about the lack of transparency of CSOs, especially regarding their funding; recalls the special report No 35/2018 by the

European Court of Auditors, which highlighted the lack of transparency regarding the implementation of EU funds by CSOs; emphasises the consequent risk of money laundering and terrorist financing through non-profit organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 431
Giuseppe Antoci, Valentina Palmisano

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

36 a. Reiterates the importance of protecting the financial interests of the Union from infiltration by organised crime; calls for the establishment of binding preventive screening measures for all legal and natural persons participating in EU-funded projects, irrespective of their financial value;

Or. en

Amendment 432
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37. Expresses its concern about the lack of predictability in EU funding that might result from excessive flexibility mechanisms and recurrent redeployments; recognises the need for enhanced flexibility in allocating resources within certain programmes, but stresses that this must not compromise long-term policy objectives,

37. Expresses its concern about the lack of predictability in EU funding that might result from excessive flexibility mechanisms and recurrent redeployments; recognises the need for enhanced flexibility in allocating resources within certain programmes, but stresses that this must not compromise long-term policy objectives,

funding predictability or Parliament's prerogatives; underlines that while the current MFF has suffered from insufficient flexibility to adjust to evolving priorities, the next MFF must strike a better balance between investment predictability and adaptability; emphasises that certain policy areas require greater funding stability than others; firmly rejects recurrent redeployments as a means to finance Union priorities, as they undermine programme implementation and jeopardise the delivery of agreed policy objectives;

funding predictability or Parliament's prerogatives; underlines that while the current MFF has suffered from insufficient flexibility to adjust to evolving priorities, the next MFF must strike a better balance between investment predictability and adaptability; emphasises that certain policy areas require greater funding stability than others; firmly rejects recurrent redeployments as a means to finance Union priorities, as they undermine programme implementation and jeopardise the delivery of agreed policy objectives; *recalls in this sense the constant redeployments made in cohesion policy funding and its use as a crisis management tool during the current programming period;*

Or. en

Amendment 433

Marcos Ros Sempere, Sabrina Repp, Nora Mebarek, Daniel Attard, Rosa Serrano Sierra, Marko Vešligaj

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 a. Notes that the Commission proposes an n+1 rule for decommitments within the NRPPs, as part of its efforts to accelerate implementation; points that this rule, together with the planned frontloading of expenditure, will put increased pressure on managing authorities, particularly in the first years of the next programming period, which will overlap with the closure of the current one; indicates that the n+1 rule can cause difficulties in implementing large, strategic and long-term investments or discourage investments in territories with absorption difficulties; proposes to implement the n+3 rule for the next programming period; also calls for an extension of the current MFF to cover the

transition period;

Or. en

Amendment 434
Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37a. Stresses that a significant share of funding in the future MFF is ring-fenced for specific objectives, leaving Member States with very little discretion to decide how the funds are spent, thus failing to offer a genuinely flexible approach;

Or. pl

Amendment 435
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 a. Believes that the principles of the European Partnership Pact shall be applied across in those funds with a territorial dimension, eliminating gaps, overlaps and inconsistencies between multiannual programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 436
Marcos Ros Sempere, Sabrina Repp, Nora Mebarek, Daniel Attard, Rosa Serrano Sierra, Marko Vešligaj

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 37 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 b. *Notes that a flexibility amount corresponding to 25 % of allocations under the NRPPs is to be left unprogrammed, to be used in response to crises and to emerging priorities in the mid-term review; underlines that the inability to programme and use one quarter of the total NRPP allocation from the beginning of the programming period undermines the long-term treaty-based objectives of the cohesion policy; underlines, therefore, that the flexibility amount should be set at a maximum level of 15 % of the NRPPs, which would be roughly equivalent to the flexibility amount provided under the Common Provisions Regulation for the 2021-2027 MFF and it should be allocated exclusively under the mid-term review, except for unforeseeable crisis events; recalls its position that the cohesion policy should not be reduced to a crisis management tool;*

Or. en

Amendment 437

Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 37 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 b. *Believes that before creating any new EU instrument within an ongoing programming period, including territorial development ones territorial development instrument, the Commission shall carry out a necessity test demonstrating that objectives cannot be achieved by expanding the remit, funding and beneficiaries of existing programmes;*

Amendment 438
Krzysztof Hetman

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37b. Stresses the importance of strong regional involvement in the shaping of programmes and priorities; is of the opinion that the approach to cohesion policy should be as decentralised as possible, as only the regions have a complete understanding of their needs, challenges and difficulties;

Or. pl

Amendment 439
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38. Notes the proposed increase in borrowing and lending under the next MFF; considers that the budgetary authority must carefully monitor the impact of this approach on the MFF headroom or other guarantees; demands that borrowing and lending operations respect the powers of the co-legislators and the budgetary authority;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 440
Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. *Notes* the proposed increase in borrowing and lending under the next MFF; considers that the budgetary authority must carefully monitor the impact of this approach on the MFF headroom or other guarantees; demands that borrowing and lending operations respect the powers of the co-legislators and the budgetary authority;

Amendment

38. *Is extremely concerned about* the proposed increase in borrowing and lending under the next MFF; considers that the budgetary authority must carefully monitor the impact of this approach on the MFF headroom or other guarantees; demands that borrowing and lending operations respect the powers of the co-legislators and the budgetary authority;

Or. fr

Amendment 441
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. *Emphasises that, in the interest of securing Parliament's consent, every aspect of the MFF, especially budgetary elements, are to be considered as a package and subject to genuine negotiations; reiterates its objection to how current and previous MFF Regulations were adopted, with the European Council overstepping its role by predetermining multiple elements such as financial envelopes and policy-specific provisions, thereby violating Treaty provisions in both substance and intent; expresses serious concern that preliminary 'negotiating boxes' prepared by the Council presidency replicate this flawed methodology, incorporating issues that belong to the co-decision procedure when establishing new EU programme legislation;*

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 442
Elena Nevado del Campo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Insists that all substantive policy choices such as programme objectives, spending priorities, financial allocations, eligibility, selection and award criteria, conditions, definitions and calculation methods must be determined in the relevant legislation, with full respect for Parliament's prerogatives as co-legislator and budgetary authority and not in the work programme; demands that any elements entailing policy choices that are not included in the basic act be adopted exclusively through delegated acts, rejecting any use of implementing acts or other procedures that would bypass parliamentary scrutiny; in this respect, requires that all multiannual and annual work programmes be adopted through delegated acts to ensure Parliament's systematic involvement in policy decision-making; categorically rejects any attempt to relegate strategic decisions to comitology procedures or other arrangements; warns that Parliament will not accept any proposal that fails to guarantee its full legislative and oversight powers;

Amendment

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Amendment 443
André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

44. Underlines that compliance with Union values and fundamental rights is an essential prerequisite to access EU funds; highlights the importance of strong links between respect for the rule of law and access to EU funds under the 2021-2027 MFF; believes that the protection of the Union's financial interests depends on respect for the rule of law and Union values at national level; welcomes, in particular, the positive impact of the Rule of Law Conditionality Regulation in protecting the Union's financial interests in cases of systemic and persistent breaches of the rule of law; calls on the Commission and the Council to apply the regulation strictly, consistently and without undue delay wherever necessary;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 444
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

44. Underlines that compliance with Union values and fundamental rights is an essential prerequisite to access EU funds; highlights the importance of strong links between respect for the rule of law and access to EU funds under the 2021-2027 MFF; believes that the protection of the Union's financial interests depends on respect for the rule of law and Union values at national level; welcomes, in particular, the positive impact of the Rule of Law Conditionality Regulation in protecting the Union's financial interests

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in cases of systemic and persistent breaches of the rule of law; calls on the Commission and the Council to apply the regulation strictly, consistently and without undue delay wherever necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 445

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 44**

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

44. Underlines that compliance with Union values and fundamental rights is an essential prerequisite to access EU funds; highlights the **need for continued** strong links between respect for the rule of law and access to EU funds; believes that the protection of the Union's financial interests **is intrinsically linked to the** respect for the rule of law and Union values; **stresses that the** Conditionality Regulation **has been a key tool for** protecting the **EU's** financial interests **against** breaches of the rule of law, **and that it should be applied whenever its legal conditions are met across the entire EU budget, including performance-based instruments as well as funding provided under Article 122 TFEU**; calls on the Commission and the Council to apply the regulation strictly, consistently and **and to take measures** without undue delay wherever necessary; **stresses that in particular rule-of-law deficiencies affecting judiciary and the breaches pertain to the functioning of the judiciary system and in cases such as violations of rules, manipulation of, or favouritism in; calls for tender and applications involving EU funding, as well as administrative harassment breaching the equal treatment of local**

and regional authorities, companies or other final recipients and beneficiaries, and their access to EU funds as well procurement, audit bodies, anti-corruption safeguards or control systems constitute direct risks to the Union budget and require consistent and stringent application of conditionality; highlights that politicisation of public administration and undue concentration in procurement procedures represent systemic rule-of-law risks that threaten sound financial management;

Or. en

Amendment 446
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

44 a. Recalls with grave concern that the former Commissioner entrusted with negotiating the anti-corruption framework and the rule of law with Member States is currently the subject of a criminal investigation for alleged money laundering and other corruption-related offences; condemns in the strongest terms the instrumentalisation of rule of law conditionality for politically motivated ideological assaults on Member States; emphasises that in these assaults, the Commission has demonstrably utilised and financed NGOs and left-leaning media outlets through Union funds; consequently demands an immediate cessation of these attacks against national sovereignty, which are perpetrated through the misuse of the rule of law conditionality;

Or. en

Amendment 447
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Calls for any duplications or overlaps between existing and future legislation to be avoided, in particular in the NRPPs, and calls for a unified, coherent and comprehensive framework across all EU funding programmes, under the umbrella of the Conditionality Regulation, covering both enabling conditions that must be fulfilled in order to access EU funding, and measures to withhold funds when relevant conditions are no longer met; requests the Commission to consolidate all rule of law tools into a unified and comprehensive framework that provides clear, objective and transparent criteria for application and the way in which the Commission will ensure coordination among these tools;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 448
André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45. Calls for any duplications or overlaps between existing and future legislation to be avoided, in particular in the NRPPs, and calls for a unified, coherent and comprehensive framework across all EU funding programmes, under the umbrella of the Conditionality Regulation, covering both enabling

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conditions that must be fulfilled in order to access EU funding, and measures to withhold funds when relevant conditions are no longer met; requests the Commission to consolidate all rule of law tools into a unified and comprehensive framework that provides clear, objective and transparent criteria for application and the way in which the Commission will ensure coordination among these tools;

Or. fr

Amendment 449

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 45**

Motion for a resolution

45. Calls for any duplications or overlaps ***between existing and future legislation*** to be avoided, in particular in the NRPPs, and calls for a unified, coherent and comprehensive framework across all EU funding programmes, ***under the umbrella*** of the ***Conditionality Regulation***, covering both enabling conditions that must be fulfilled in order to access EU funding, and measures to withhold funds when relevant conditions are no longer met; requests the Commission to consolidate all rule of law tools into a unified and comprehensive framework that provides clear, objective and transparent criteria for application and the way in which the Commission will ensure coordination among these tools;

Amendment

45. ***Insists that the next MFF should include a seamless and coherent Union values toolbox to cover democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights across all EU funds;*** calls for any duplications or overlaps to be avoided, in particular in the NRPPs, and calls for a unified, coherent and comprehensive framework across all EU funding programmes ***as part*** of the ***same seamless and coherent toolbox***, covering both enabling conditions that must be fulfilled in order to access EU funding, and measures to withhold funds when relevant conditions are no longer met; requests the Commission to consolidate all rule of law tools into a unified, ***seamless*** and comprehensive framework that provides clear, objective and transparent criteria for application and the way in which the Commission will ensure coordination among these tools; ***insist in particular on a clear prohibition of reshuffling of frozen funds;***

Or. en

Amendment 450
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

45 a. Expresses its firm opposition to the perpetuation of the current ‘rule of law conditionality system’ and, furthermore, to any proposals aimed at its reinforcement or expansion; recalls that any initiative seeking to strengthen or extend such conditionalities undermines the crucial objectives of simplification and enhanced competitiveness by imposing greater complexities and protracted delays on Member States seeking access to vital funding;

Or. en

Amendment 451
André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice;

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 452

Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 453
Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice;

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice; ***stresses that relevant measures must ensure that final beneficiaries, and notably regions, municipalities and cities, are not penalised directly or indirectly for failure by national authorities to comply with the conditions laid down in the Regulation;***

Or. en

Amendment 454

Jan Farský

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice;

Amendment

46. Demands that Union funds be withheld where essential requirements are not fulfilled and that frozen funds only be released to the Member States concerned once they have fully implemented meaningful reforms and verifiably demonstrated compliance with the rule of law in practice; ***emphasises that at the same time central authorities have to honour their financial obligations towards regional and local administrations and beneficiaries even when funds are frozen;***

Or. en

Amendment 455

Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

47. Acknowledges that the Commission proposes, in the context of the NRPPs, the possibility to make funding that is decommitted because of a lack of remedial measures in response to an identified breach of the rule of law under the Conditionality Regulation available again to programmes in direct or indirect management; demands clarification as to how such decommitted amounts could be channelled to other programmes and calls for the prohibition of reshuffling of frozen funds; insists that the decision to use de-committed funds is a prerogative of the budgetary authority in the framework of the annual budgetary

Amendment

deleted

procedure and should not be left to the discretion of the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 456

Cristina Guarda, Ana Miranda Paz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

47. Acknowledges that the Commission proposes, in the context of the NRPPs, the possibility to make funding that is decommitted because of a lack of remedial measures in response to an identified breach of the rule of law under the Conditionality Regulation available again to programmes in direct or indirect management; ***demands clarification as to how such decommitted amounts could be channelled to other programmes and calls for the prohibition of reshuffling of frozen funds***; insists that the decision to use decommitted funds is a prerogative of the budgetary authority in the framework of the annual budgetary procedure and should not be left to the discretion of the Commission;

Amendment

47. Acknowledges that the Commission proposes, in the context of the NRPPs, the possibility to make funding that is decommitted because of a lack of remedial measures in response to an identified breach of the rule of law under the Conditionality Regulation available again to programmes in direct or indirect management; ***believes that such an approach to conditionality may resolve the identified issues concerning the possibility to affect the suspended amounts and the protection of final recipients or beneficiaries, as the proposal provides for the funds to be made available again for use under direct or indirect management, in particular the instruments and programmes that contribute to supporting Europe's democracy, civil society, Union values or the fight against corruption; requests that funds suspended or frozen due to breaches of the values enshrined in Article 2 TEU must be considered forfeited by the Member State concerned and must not be reallocated to that state, but recommends that the funds made available again should at least partly be redirected to non-state actors primarily within the Member State where the violations occurred; insists that the decision to use de-committed funds is a prerogative of the budgetary authority in the framework of the annual budgetary***

procedure and should not be left to the discretion of the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 457
Gabriella Gerzsényi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

47. ***Acknowledges*** that the Commission proposes, in the context of the NRPPs, the possibility to make funding that is decommitted because of a lack of remedial measures in response to an identified breach of the rule of law under the Conditionality Regulation available again to programmes in direct or indirect management; demands clarification as to how such decommitted amounts could be channelled to other programmes ***and calls for the prohibition of reshuffling of frozen funds***; insists that the decision to use de-committed funds is a prerogative of the budgetary authority in the framework of the annual budgetary procedure and should not be left to the discretion of the Commission;

Amendment

47. ***Welcomes*** that the Commission proposes, in the context of the NRPPs, the possibility to make funding that is decommitted because of a lack of remedial measures in response to an identified breach of the rule of law under the Conditionality Regulation available again to programmes in direct or indirect management; demands clarification as to how such decommitted amounts could be channelled to other programmes; insists that the decision to use de-committed funds is a prerogative of the budgetary authority in the framework of the annual budgetary procedure and should not be left to the discretion of the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 458
Daniel Buda, Dan-Ştefan Motreanu, Maria Walsh, Iuliu Winkler, Fredis Beleris, Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Gabriella Gerzsényi, Pascal Arimont, Krzysztof Hetman, Isabelle Le Callennec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47 a. Stresses that the application of

measures under the Conditionality Regulation should not penalise beneficiaries and projects under implementation; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that contracted projects which are at least at an intermediate stage of implementation are not affected by the suspension or decommitment of funds, and that any measures are strictly limited to the level of the authorities responsible for the identified breach, without jeopardising the continuity of investments at regional level;

Or. en

Amendment 459

André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Klara Dostalova, Rody Tolassy

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 51**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51. *Reiterates the need for sustainable and resilient revenue for the Union budget that should match the expenditure side; expresses its continued conviction that without the introduction of new genuine own resources to finance the Union's budget, the financial burden will inevitably fall on Member States through increased GNI-based contributions; considers, therefore, that the introduction of new revenue streams is an essential condition for an ambitious MFF 2028-2034;*

deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 460

Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51. Reiterates the need for sustainable and resilient revenue for the Union budget that should match the expenditure side; expresses its continued conviction that without the introduction of new genuine own resources to finance the Union's budget, the financial burden will inevitably fall on Member States through increased GNI-based contributions; considers, therefore, that the introduction of new revenue streams is an essential condition for an ambitious MFF 2028-2034;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 461

Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51. Reiterates the need for sustainable and resilient revenue for the Union budget **that should match** the expenditure side; expresses its **continued conviction that without the introduction of new genuine own resources to finance the Union's budget, the financial burden will inevitably fall on Member States through increased GNI-based contributions;** considers, therefore, that the introduction of new revenue streams is an essential condition for an ambitious MFF 2028-2034;

51. Reiterates the need for sustainable and resilient revenue **framework** for the Union budget **in order to address current and future challenges and to finance agreed Union priorities; recognises that these challenges place increasing pressure on** the expenditure side **of the budget; stresses however, that any debate on the revenue side must be grounded first and foremost in improving the efficiency, effectiveness and prioritisation of existing Union spending;** expresses its **clear opposition to** the introduction of new own resources or new EU-level taxes that would increase the financial burden on citizens, businesses or Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 462
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52. Considers that, in the face of unprecedented challenges requiring substantial increases in investment across multiple policy areas in the next MFF period, the revenue base of the EU budget must be broadened, strengthened, diversified and modernised; insists that, to this end, the existing own resources should be adjusted and upgraded, new own resources should be introduced without further delay, revenue other than own resources should be an essential ingredient to the mix of income sources, and well-defined borrowing and lending operations whose ensuing contingent liabilities are safely covered by the headroom under the own resources ceilings should remain an actionable fall-back option, at least in times of unforeseen crises;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 463
Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52. Considers that, in the face of unprecedented challenges requiring substantial increases in investment across multiple policy areas in the next MFF period, the revenue base of the EU budget must be broadened, strengthened,

52. Considers that, in the face of unprecedented challenges requiring substantial increases in investment across multiple policy areas in the next MFF period, the *Union must ensure a stable and credible* revenue base *while fully*

diversified and modernised; insists that, to this end, the existing own resources should be adjusted and upgraded, new own resources should be introduced without further delay, revenue other than own resources should be an essential ingredient to the mix of income sources, and well-defined borrowing and lending operations whose ensuing contingent liabilities are safely covered by the headroom under the own resources ceilings should remain an actionable fall-back option, at least in times of unforeseen crises;

respecting the principle of budgetary responsibility and fiscal prudence; acknowledges the need to secure sufficient resources to finance agreed priorities and honour existing commitments; stresses that borrowing and lending operations must remain strictly limited, well-defined and exceptional, and should not become a permanent substitute for structural budgetary reform;

Or. en

Amendment 464

André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Klara Dostalova, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 52

Motion for a resolution

52. Considers that, in the face of unprecedented challenges requiring substantial increases in investment across multiple policy areas in the next MFF period, the revenue base of the EU budget must be broadened, strengthened, diversified and modernised; insists that, to this end, the existing own resources should be adjusted and upgraded, ***new own resources should be introduced without further delay***, revenue other than own resources should be an essential ingredient to the mix of income sources, and well-defined borrowing and lending operations whose ensuing contingent liabilities are safely covered by the headroom under the own resources ceilings should remain an actionable fall-back option, at least in times of unforeseen crises;

Amendment

52. Considers that, in the face of unprecedented challenges requiring substantial increases in investment across multiple policy areas in the next MFF period, the revenue base of the EU budget must be broadened, strengthened, diversified and modernised; insists that, to this end, the existing own resources should be adjusted and upgraded, revenue other than own resources should be an essential ingredient to the mix of income sources, and well-defined borrowing and lending operations whose ensuing contingent liabilities are safely covered by the headroom under the own resources ceilings should remain an actionable fall-back option, at least in times of unforeseen crises;

Or. fr

Amendment 465
Fredis Beleris

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52a. Calls for the establishment of a separate source of financing for the islands, focusing on infrastructure, transport, support for entrepreneurship, preventing and responding to natural disasters, and tourism;

Or. el

Amendment 466
Fredis Beleris

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52b. Calls for organised support for actions aimed at solving the demographic problem, in the context of political cohesion, with a focus on combating low birth rates, domestic labour shortages and rural depopulation;

Or. el

Amendment 467
Fredis Beleris

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52c. Calls for the strengthening of island life through targeted measures for

the creation of new jobs and the establishment of new residents;

Or. el

Amendment 468

Fredis Beleris

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 52 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52d. Calls on the Commission to provide for smaller administrative units within the Member States, such as Regions and other bodies, to have effective access to Multiannual Financial Framework funding, taking targeted measures for a more complete absorption of funds, for accessibility and for programmes and funds to be publicised through communication strategies and digital media;

Or. el

Amendment 469

André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Klara Dostalova, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53. Welcomes the Commission's efforts to identify new own resources, as well as putting forward certain calibrations to traditional own resources, with a view to strengthening the Union's financial autonomy and reducing reliance on national contributions; supports the broader basket approach proposed by the Commission as this represents a realistic pathway to securing the necessary support

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in the Council; takes note of the various types of own resources proposed; underlines, however, that any basket of new own resources must imperatively be adopted at the same time as the next multiannual financial framework and must generate a stable and sufficient flow of revenues of at least roughly EUR 60 billion per year, as this level is essential to ensure steady repayment of borrowing undertaken under NGEU, meet the Union's commitments and finance joint investment in European public goods; calls on the Council to swiftly reach agreement on new own resources in order to provide long-term budgetary certainty;

Or. fr

Amendment 470

Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53. Welcomes the Commission's efforts to identify new own resources, as well as putting forward certain calibrations to traditional own resources, with a view to strengthening the Union's financial autonomy and reducing reliance on national contributions; supports the broader basket approach proposed by the Commission as this represents a realistic pathway to securing the necessary support in the Council; takes note of the various types of own resources proposed; underlines, however, that any basket of new own resources must imperatively be adopted at the same time as the next multiannual financial framework and must generate a stable and sufficient flow of revenues of at least roughly EUR 60 billion per year, as this level is essential to ensure steady repayment of borrowing

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undertaken under NGEU, meet the Union's commitments and finance joint investment in European public goods; calls on the Council to swiftly reach agreement on new own resources in order to provide long-term budgetary certainty;

Or. en

Amendment 471
Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. *Welcomes* the Commission's efforts to identify *new own resources, as well as putting forward certain calibrations to traditional own resources, with a view to strengthening* the Union's *financial autonomy and reducing reliance on national contributions; supports the broader basket approach proposed by the Commission as this represents a realistic pathway to securing the necessary support in the Council; takes note of the various types of own resources proposed; underlines, however, that any basket of new own resources must imperatively be adopted at the same time as the next multiannual financial framework and must generate a stable and sufficient flow of revenues of at least roughly EUR 60 billion per year, as this level is essential to ensure steady repayment of borrowing undertaken under NGEU, meet the Union's commitments and finance joint investment in European public goods; calls on the Council to swiftly reach agreement on new own resources in order to provide long-term budgetary certainty;*

Amendment

53. *Acknowledges* the Commission's efforts to identify *potential avenues to strengthen* the Union's *revenue base; stresses* however, that any *such proposals raise significant concerns regarding economic competitiveness, administrative burden and political acceptability, and therefore do not command sufficient support at this state; recalls that enhancing value for money and restoring citizens' trust in the Union budget are essential preconditions for any future discussion on revenue reform;*

Or. en

Amendment 472
Jacek Protas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53 a. Cautions, however, that while changes to the system of own resources are inevitable, some of the ideas proposed by the Commission directly impact the competitiveness of EU industries and businesses, an example being own resources based on revenues from the EU Emission Trading Scheme (ETS) and the Corporate Resource for Europe (CORE), which would disproportionately burden certain EU Member States; recalls in particular, that the EU ETS is a market mechanism, not a fiscal instrument, with a purpose to reduce emissions, not to generate revenue, and that after 2030 the number of allowances under the EU ETS, as well as the revenues this scheme generates, would quickly decrease to zero;

Or. en

Amendment 473
Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

54. Demands that, should the Council eliminate certain elements of the basket, it should replace the ensuing gap by increased call-rates for other sources or by replacing them with another source, while the new source should not harm the competitiveness of small and medium-sized enterprises; considers in this sense that the revenue potential of a digital services tax aimed at major digital

deleted

platforms should be explored as a possible solution should other proposed own resources not gain support among Member States, in order to ensure tax fairness and a revenue level that is commensurate with needs;

Or. en

Amendment 474

André Rougé, Marie-Luce Brasier-Clain, Klara Dostalova, Rody Tolassy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55. Takes note of the Commission's proposal for a novel type of crisis mechanism based on extraordinary borrowing backed by additional headroom under the own resources ceiling and anchored in the EU budget's consistently excellent credit rating; notes that this instrument is time-bound, subject to pre-defined criteria and limitations on its purpose, scope and size delimited by the extra available dedicated headroom compartment; considers that joint borrowing presents a viable option that offers the Union the ability to respond swiftly to unexpected developments; expresses satisfaction that the proposed mechanism would not be based on Article 122 TFEU, which sidelines Parliament as in previous cases, but on a Council regulation under Article 311(4) TFEU, which entails a consent procedure, thus ensuring institutional balance and procedural accountability; *deleted*

Or. fr

Amendment 475

Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55. Takes note of the Commission's proposal for a novel type of crisis mechanism based on extraordinary borrowing backed by additional headroom under the own resources ceiling and anchored in the EU budget's consistently excellent credit rating; notes that this instrument is time-bound, subject to pre-defined criteria and limitations on its purpose, scope and size delimited by the extra available dedicated headroom compartment; considers that joint borrowing presents a viable option that offers the Union the ability to respond swiftly to unexpected developments; expresses satisfaction that the proposed mechanism would not be based on Article 122 TFEU, which sidelines Parliament as in previous cases, but on a Council regulation under Article 311(4) TFEU, which entails a consent procedure, thus ensuring institutional balance and procedural accountability;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 476
Tamás Deutsch

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55. Takes note of the Commission's proposal for a novel type of crisis mechanism based on extraordinary borrowing backed by additional headroom under the own resources ceiling and anchored in the EU budget's consistently excellent credit rating; notes that this

deleted

instrument is time-bound, subject to pre-defined criteria and limitations on its purpose, scope and size delimited by the extra available dedicated headroom compartment; considers that joint borrowing presents a viable option that offers the Union the ability to respond swiftly to unexpected developments; expresses satisfaction that the proposed mechanism would not be based on Article 122 TFEU, which sidelines Parliament as in previous cases, but on a Council regulation under Article 311(4) TFEU, which entails a consent procedure, thus ensuring institutional balance and procedural accountability;

Or. en

Amendment 477

Valentina Palmisano

on behalf of The Left Group

Dario Tamburrano

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 a. Recalls that the wealth of the top 0.5 % wealthiest individuals has increased by 35 % over the last 10 years; recalls that, according to the last Oxfam study, the poorest half of people in the EU (181 million adults) had the same share of Europe's wealth as the richest 0.001% (3,600 adults); recalls that, according to the last European Commission Eurobarometer, 65% of Europeans support the introduction of a tax for the wealthiest individuals; calls, therefore, on the Commission to make a new proposal to introduce a minimum tax of 2% on the wealth of people owning more than 100 million, known as the "Zucman tax", as an EU own resource, that could raise EUR 67 billion accord to the EU tax

observatory;

Or. en

Amendment 478
Klara Dostalova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 a. Calls on the Commission and the Council to prioritise alternative approaches to strengthening the Union's financial capacity, including better coordination of existing instruments, the application of clearly defined, objective and transparent conditionality strictly linked to performance, results and the effective use of funds, improved monitoring and evaluation of spending, and the reallocation of resources from less effective programmes to those delivering clear European added value; stresses that such conditionality must be applied in a predictable, proportionate and non-discriminatory manner and must not be used as a political or discretionary instrument;

Or. en

Amendment 479
Alexandra Mehnert

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 56 – point iii – paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Chapter 1 - Article 2 – paragraph 2

Where it is necessary to use the resources from the special instruments, commitment and corresponding payment appropriations shall be entered over and

above the relevant MFF ceilings. The use of these instruments shall be without prejudice to transparency in the allocation of funds or the European Parliament's rights concerning the budget and oversight.

Or. de

Amendment 480

Dan Barna, Ľubica Karvašová, Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 56 – point iii – paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Chapter 2 - New Article 5a In the either events, when: the new rules are adopted after 1 January 2028 or the adoption of the National and Regional Partnership Plans takes place after 1 July 2028, the amounts corresponding to the allocations not used in 2028 shall be transferred in equal proportions to each of the years 2029 to 2034, and the corresponding MFF ceilings shall be adjusted accordingly, with the exception of those amounts needed to ensure income support to farmers for the year 2028.

Or. en

Amendment 481

Alexandra Mehnert

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 57 – subparagraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Section A – point 7

In line with Article 312(5) TFEU, the institutions shall take any measure necessary to facilitate the adoption of a new MFF or a revision thereof, in

accordance with the special legislative procedure referred to in Article 312(2) TFEU. Such measures will include regular meetings and exchange of information between the European Parliament and the Council and, on the initiative of the Commission, meetings of the Presidents of the institutions as set out in Article 324 TFEU in order to promote consultation and the reconciliation of the positions of the institutions. Where a proposal for a new MFF or for a substantial revision has been submitted, the institutions will seek to determine specific arrangements for cooperation and dialogue between them throughout the procedure leading to its adoption. In the process of drawing up and adopting the multiannual financial framework, the institutions shall recognise the essential role of regional and local authorities in implementing EU policies. Without prejudice to the Commission's role as initiator, it shall be ensured that the European Parliament's budgetary powers are fully respected throughout the procedure;

Or. de

Amendment 482

Marcos Ros Sempere, Sabrina Repp, Daniel Attard, Rosa Serrano Sierra, Marko Vešligaj

Motion for a resolution

Subheading 18

Motion for a resolution

8. Annex II: Breakdown per programme
(constant prices)

Amendment

8. Annex II: Breakdown per programme
(constant prices)

***Commitment appropriations (2025
constant prices, billion)***

***Heading 1: Economic, social and
territorial cohesion, agriculture and rural,
fisheries and maritime, prosperity and
security***

- MFF proposal: 797,11
- EP Position (1,27% GNI excluding NGEU Repayments): 886,25
- Nominal change: 89,14
02-02-Economic, territorial and social cohesion as part of the National and Regional Partnership Plans
- MFF Proposal: 771,32
- EP Position (1,27% GNI excluding NGEU Repayments): 860,41
- Nominal change: 89,09
Of which European Regional Development Fund
- MFF proposal: 302,99
Of which Cohesion Fund
- MFF proposal: 47,65

Or. en