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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion

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2022 discharge: European Union Aviation Safety Agency
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Amendment 1
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Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 2
Vlad Gheorghe, Jan-Christoph Oetjen

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Paragraph 2

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Or. en

Amendment 3
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Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6 a. Commends the Agency's proficiency in execution, maintaining a favourable trajectory with 77% of KPIs deemed on-track; acknowledges that 17% of KPIs have experienced delays, and a 5% necessitate additional attention;

Or. en

Amendment 4 Gheorghe Falcă

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Amendment

7. Salutes digital transformation of the European skies, including Air Traffic Controllers licencing and training and ATM Ground Systems;

7. Salutes digital transformation of the European skies, including **enhanced mobility options and streamlined qualifications for Air Traffic Controllers**, licencing and training and ATM Ground Systems; **calls for the amendment of SERA RT phraseologies for communication between pilots and air traffic controllers;**

Or. en

Amendment 5 Gheorghe Falcă

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

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Amendment

7 a. Highlights the importance of Single European Sky tackling the fragmentation of European airspace and aiming at improving ATM performance from the safety, capacity, cost-efficiency

*and environmental perspectives;
welcomes in this regard the agency's work
related to its SES 2+ reform in two pillars
in 2022 - human factors and ground
equipment (harmonisation ATCOs
through licencing and getting to a more
effective and efficient system) and the
certification by EASA of ATM/ANS
ground systems (harmonizasiotion of
those system is very welcomed as
currently ground systems vary
significantly between Member
States; commends that both pillars reduce
cost and increase capacity for ATM, and
therefore provide significant added value
for the Single European Sky 2+ package
of initiative;*

Or. en

Amendment 6
Gheorghe Falcă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

*7 b. Stresses that digital transformation
of the European skies comprises several
individual components and building
blocks that are critical solutions for
Europe's future airspace architecture and
aim to support safety, efficiency, and
environmental performance;*

Or. en

Amendment 7
Gheorghe Falcă

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8. Welcomes the EASA Sustainable Aviation Programme (2020 - 2024) for achieving a quieter and more sustainable aviation system, including Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) project;

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Or. en

Amendment 8
Gheorghe Falcă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8 a. Salutes the progress made in 2022 regarding a wide variety of environment-related initiatives; welcomes the EASA Sustainable Aviation Programme, aligned with the ReFuelEU Aviation legislation, which foresees a central role for the Agency in the monitoring and reporting on the use of Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAFs) and in the development of an EU SAF Clearing House; welcomes that EASA is engaging in 20 new projects in an enhanced cooperation with the Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking, while partnerships with European Industrial Alliances have been forged to enable the entry into service of hydrogen- and electric powered aircraft;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Vlad Gheorghe, Jan-Christoph Oetjen

Draft opinion
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Or. en

Amendment 10
Gheorghe Falcă

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Or. en

Amendment 11
Kateřina Konečná

Draft opinion
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Or. en

Amendment 12
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Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 a (new)

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Amendment

10 a. Welcomes the contribution of the Agency in shaping standardized rules for drones' safe integration and its effort in supporting U-Space regulations and contributing to the EU's Drones Strategy 2.0, fostering a competitive and sustainable European drone industry.

Or. en

Amendment 13
Gheorghe Falcă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 a (new)

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Amendment

10 a. Salutes the focus of the agency to

integrate Ukraine as a Candidate State into the EU system;

Or. en

Amendment 14
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Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 b (new)

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Amendment

10 b. Stresses that Russian military invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 further impacted EASA's International Cooperation activities; highlights that as an EU Agency, EASA complied with the sanctions and policies set by the European Commission; consequently, all cooperation activities with the Russian Federation were suspended;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Gheorghe Falcă

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 c (new)

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Amendment

10 c. Calls for close relationship with European State and Military Aviation Authorities, and the European Defence Agency (EDA), OCCAR (Organisation for Joint Armament Cooperation) and NATO, as appropriate for the discharge of the Agency's tasks, in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, to improve flight safety and security in Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Gheorghe Falcă

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Paragraph 10 d (new)

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Amendment

10 d. Salutes EASA activities related secure aviation- military program, welcomes particularly EASA becoming a participant of the Civil-Military Airspace Safety Team Ukraine to consider the consequences of the war in Ukraine on the “new normal” concept, with regard to the increasing needs for air space to conduct State and NATO military exercises; commends EASA’s implementation of the work programme with the European Defence Agency (EDA), enhancing the cooperation in the new domain of innovation; welcomes that EASA supported EC initiatives in the framework of RescEU program (fire fighters’ contract and aeronautical MEDEVAC/transport capacity);

Or. en