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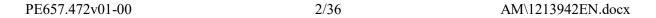
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AMENDMENTS 1 - 75

Draft opinion Heidi Hautala(PE655.716v02-00)

Sustainable corporate governance (2020/2137(INI))

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Amendment 1 Angelika Winzig, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1. stresses that it is the sole responsibility of states and governments to safeguard human rights, their society, nature and environment in their countries and that this responsibility shall not be transferred to private actors.

Or. en

Amendment 2 Angelika Winzig, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1 a. recalls that the EU economy is facing the biggest global economic crisis since the Great Depression with companies all over Europe hit especially hard; stresses that especially at this time no legislative initiatives of economically inhibiting or damaging nature, such as those imposing higher administrative burdens or causing legal uncertainty, shall be taken.

Or. en

Amendment 3 Angelika Winzig, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Christophe Hansen, Danuta Maria Hübner, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 b (new) Draft opinion

-1 b. requires that, before any initiative is proposed, an impact assessment is carried out focusing on:

Amendment

- a) the administrative burden on business
- b) value added by EU companies
- c) employment by EU companies
- d) engagement of EU companies in international markets

Or. en

Amendment 4 Angelika Winzig, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Christophe Hansen, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1 c. recalls the importance of transitional periods in order to create legal certainty and good legislation; stresses in this context the need for a transitional period of at least 7 years in order to allow companies to implement any new measures.

Or. en

Amendment 5
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy but their complex nature, lack of transparency and dilution of liabilities

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the value chain and demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards; may lead to a higher risk of human and labour rights violations, factual impunity for environmental crimes and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain and demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Svenja Hahn, Liesje Schreinemacher, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Jordi Cañas, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain *and* demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain; demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards in line with the Paris Climate Agreement and promote the achievement of the SDGs;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain and demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain, *including subcontracting chains*, and demonstrate compliance with

safety standards;

environmental, *human rights*, social and safety standards;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy *must contribute to a transparent production process throughout the value chain and* demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy *should* demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process *throughout the value chain and demonstrate compliance with* environmental, social and safety standards;

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global value chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy must contribute to a transparent production process *that respects* environmental, social and safety standards;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

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Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Reiterates that global *value* chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy *must* contribute to a transparent production process throughout the *value* chain and demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Amendment

1. Reiterates that global *supply* chains are the key feature of the global economy and that trade policy *can* contribute to a transparent production process throughout the *supply* chain and demonstrate compliance with environmental, social and safety standards;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Sven Simon

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1.a Recalls that the European economy is facing the most severe recession in its post-war history; emphasizes that no additional bureaucratic burdens should be based on companies;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1 a. Recognises that the findings of the recent European Commission study on directors' duties and sustainable corporate governance^{1a} confirms that majority of EU companies are favouring

short termism over long term and sustainability, and that this study shows evidence collected that between 1992-2018 period there is a trend for companies within the EU to focus on short-term benefits of shareholders rather than on the long-term interests of the company; stresses that the same study highlights that the EU is not on track to meet its Paris goals and indicates that short termism exacerbates this situation.

Or. en

Amendment 13 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 a. Acknowledges the recent European Commission study on directors' duties and sustainable corporate governance that current corporate decision-makers focus on short-term shareholder value maximisation rather than on the long-term interests of the company, and its stakeholders, who aim for long-term environmental and social sustainability of European businesses^{1a};

Or. en

^{1a} https://op.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/e47928a2-d20b-11ea-adf7-01aa75ed71a1

^{1a} https://op.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/e47928a2-d20b-11ea-adf7-01aa75ed71a1

Amendment 14

Agnes Jongerius, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Udo Bullmann, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 b. Underlines that the impact of corporate short termism on EU business trading practices in third countries is unsustainable; notes the importance of promoting social sustainability in third countries; stresses that promoting sustainable corporate governance in trade policy has a positive impact on the supply chain, and towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, and the Paris agreement targets;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Enikő Győri

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU in building a more resilient and sustainable economy only if it does not deteriorate the level playing field for European companies and it does not impede the improvement of Europe's international competitiveness and if it protects EU businesses from unfair competitive advantages of third countries resulting from lower protection standards;

Or. en

Amendment 16

Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Christophe Hansen, Danuta Maria Hübner, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses *and citizens*, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field in order to maintain Europe's international competitiveness and protect EU businesses from unfair competitive advantages of third countries resulting from lower protection standards and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Or. en

Amendment 17 Sergio Berlato, Emmanouil Fragkos, Dominik Tarczyński

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU notes that all this can be achieved only through effective protection from unfair competition from third countries and the full implementation of the principles of reciprocity.

Or. en

Amendment 18 Sven Simon

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Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens and, under the condition that its implementation is measured and proportionate, has the potential to benefit EU trade policy

Or. en

Amendment 19 Mihai Tudose

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance *can help* the EU *to build* a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance *constitutes an important pillar for* the EU *in order to achieve* a more resilient and sustainable economy, *will* improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable

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economy, *improve* the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and *is* therefore *hugely* beneficial to EU trade policy;

economy, *enhance* the level playing field, *boost global competitiveness* and protect EU businesses and citizens, and *can* therefore *be* beneficial to EU trade policy;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Heidi Hautala on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade *and investment* policy;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance *can help* the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance *is necessary to allow* the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Or. en

Amendment 23 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and *citizens*, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and *workers*, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Or. en

Amendment 24 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Emphasises that sustainable corporate governance can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field and protect EU businesses and citizens, and is therefore hugely beneficial to EU trade policy;

Amendment

2. Emphasises that *promoting* sustainable corporate governance *on a global level* can help the EU to build a more resilient and sustainable economy, improve the level playing field *for business* and protect EU citizens,

Or. en

Amendment 25 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 a. Remarks that on global markets

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some states and enterprises mainly from outside Europe do not always stick to sustainable corporate governance principles, which in some cases ousts European companies from the competition and therefore has a negative impact on those enterprises and their employees.

Or. en

Amendment 26 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Udo Bullmann, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 c. Stresses the importance of coherence between corporate governance structures of EU businesses and EU efforts in dialogue with third countries on responsible business conduct through Trade and Sustainable Development chapters in Free Trade Agreements; notes that a sustainable long-term holistic approach is needed

Or. en

Amendment 27 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 d. Notes that a balanced composition of the Domestic Advisory Groups (DAGs) as well as lessons learnt from their experience as an inclusive structured dialogue could be used as a model for EU

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Or. en

Amendment 28
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather the crisis better;

Amendment

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather the crisis better; recognises that the OECD has stated that companies taking proactive steps to address the risks related to the COVID-19 crisis in a way that mitigates adverse impacts on workers and supply chains are likely to build more long-term value and resilience, improving their viability in the short term and their prospects for recovery in the medium to long term. ^{2a}

Or. en

Amendment 29 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion

^{2a} http://www.oecd.org/coronavirus/policy-responses/covid-19-and-responsible-business-conduct-02150b06/#:~:text=A%20responsible%20business%20conduct%20(RBC,both%20government%20and%20business%20responses.

Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 *crisis* has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, *and* that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather *the crisis* better;

Amendment

3. Notes that the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, which showed that the voluntarily rules are insufficient; especially in the garment sector where production was disrupted during the crisis with negative effects throughout the supply chain; notes that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather crisises better;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities *of unregulated* global supply chains, and that *businesses with* better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes *weather the* crisis *better*;

Amendment

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities *in* global supply chains, and that *voluntary* better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes based on established approaches such as the UN Guiding Principles and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises can contribute to making companies more resilient in times of crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 31 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of *unregulated* global supply chains, *and that businesses* with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather the crisis better;

Amendment

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of global supply chains

Or. en

Amendment 32 Mihai Tudose

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 *crisis* has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather the crisis better;

Amendment

3. Notes that the *crisis caused by the* COVID-19 *pandemic* has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better *defined* environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes weather the crisis better;

Or. en

Amendment 33 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Svenja Hahn, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes *weather* the crisis better;

Amendment

3. Notes that the COVID-19 crisis has exposed the vulnerabilities of unregulated global supply chains, and that businesses with better environmental, social and governance practices and risk mitigation processes *have weathered* the crisis better;

Or. en

Amendment 34 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 deleted % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 35 Angelika Winzig, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 deleted % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 36 Sven Simon

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 deleted % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Or. en

Amendment 37 Heidi Hautala on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in *high-risk* sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that over three-in-four of companies do not provide information about their supply chain transparency, with less than 1% of companies publicly list their suppliers^{3a}, even in high-risk sectors except in the apparel sector where a notable amount of companies provide either a general or detailed list of their suppliers; calls on the Commission to use the review of the Non-financial reporting directive as an opportunity to strengthen reporting requirements and enhance its enforceability;

^{3a} The Alliance for Corporate Transparency Research Report 2019: An analysis of the sustainability reports of 1000 companies pursuant to the EU Non-Financial Reporting Directive, p. 6, available at http://www.allianceforcorporatetranspare

http://www.allianceforcorporatetranspare ncy.org/assets/2019_Research_Report%20 _Alliance_for_Corporate_Transparency-7d9802a0c18c9f13017d686481bd2d6c688 6fea6d9e9c7a5c3cfafea8a48b1c7.pdf

Or. en

Amendment 38 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Svenja Hahn, Liesje Schreinemacher, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Jordi Cañas, Dita Charanzová, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors; notes that publicly listed companies, unlisted public companies and private companies registered in the EU may have different obligations under national law in regards to sustainable corporate governance; recalls the importance of levelling the playing field vis-a-vis companies registered outside of the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Agnes Jongerius, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors; emphasizes the importance of more transparency in the supply chain to oversee binding environmental, social, and human rights standards; stresses the need for the review of the non-financial reporting directive (NFRD) to greatly increase corporate transparency in the supply chain;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Mihai Tudose

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

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Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors; stresses the importance of reviewing the Non-Financial Reporting Directive (NFRD) for a higher transparency;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Emmanuel Maurel, Helmut Scholz, Luke Ming Flanagan, Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than *1* % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1% of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors; calls for more transparency in the publication of lists of suppliers of companies;

Or. fr

Amendment 42 Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that less than 1 % of companies publicly list their suppliers, even in high-risk sectors and considers that this shows the necessity and urgency for authorities to act;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Heidi Hautala on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4 a. Stresses that, in order to provide a level playing field, sustainable corporate governance requirements including non-financial reporting should apply to all, both EU and non-EU, companies operating in the EU area.

Or. en

Amendment 44 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

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Or. en

Amendment 45 Sven Simon

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all

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aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Or. en

Amendment 46 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Or. en

Amendment 47 Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

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Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Or. en

Amendment 48 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Amendment

Stresses that directors' duties 5. should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a longterm corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its *local and global* supply chains; notes that adjustments to the composition of a board of directors, such as through the appointment of a member with knowledge of sustainable corporate governance, could increase compliance with these obligations; considers that the principle of proportionality should be applied to the likelihood of a breach of obligations rather than the size of the company; notes notwithstanding that all efforts should be made to reduce the regulatory burden on SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy *for* all aspects of the company's operations, including its *supply* chains;

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy, the purpose of which is to integrate the planetary boundaries and human rights, into environmental, social and governance considerations, and such strategy should cover all aspects of the company's operations, including its value chains; stresses that the development of such strategy should go hand in hand with a long term approach which goes

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Or. en

Amendment 50

Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Udo Bullmann, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains; based on international social, environmental and human rights standards; underlines that consultation with local communities is important;

Or. en

Amendment 51 Mihai Tudose

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains, *taking into account environmental*, *social and safety standards*.

Or. en

Amendment 52 Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors' duties should encompass an obligation to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains with a sanctions based mechanism;

Or. en

Amendment 53 Sergio Berlato, Emmanouil Fragkos, Dominik Tarczyński

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Stresses that directors' *duties* should *encompass an obligation* to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Amendment

5. Stresses that directors should *be encouraged* to develop, disclose and implement a corporate sustainability strategy for all aspects of the company's operations, including its supply chains;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

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5 a. Calls for three distinct, yet mutually reinforcing legislative proposals on Directors' duties and Sustainable Corporate Governance, on Corporate Human Rights and environmental due diligence and on the reform of the Non-Financial Reporting Directive.

Or. en

Amendment 55 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Jordi Cañas, Dita Charanzová, Svenja Hahn, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5 a. Calls upon the Commission to review the impact of sustainable corporate governance obligations on financial institutions providing trade finance;

Or. en

Amendment 56 Sven Simon

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

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Or. en

Amendment 57 Heidi Hautala on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire *supply* chain;

Amendment

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues including environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, and bribery and corruption affect the company and how the company affects the society and the environment -so called 'double materiality standard'- should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire value chain; stresses that such sustainable corporate governance forms a part of the "corporate responsibility to respect" as defined in the UN Guiding Principles of Business and Human Rights.

Or. en

Amendment 58 Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Enikő Győri, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that *the requirement* to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should *include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain*;

Amendment

6. Stresses that any new EU requirements to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should not overlap with existing reporting requirements (e.g. non financial reporting directive) and their scope and that any new EU requirements must be in accordance with the various international reporting standards like GRI, SASB,

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IIRC, etc to ensure a level playing field for European companies; reiterates the necessity of avoiding any additional administrative burdens for companies, especially SMEs;

Or. en

Amendment 59 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

Amendment

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain; notes that sharing this information is based on the reporting system Non-Financial Reporting Directive ('NFRD')

Or. en

Amendment 60 Sergio Berlato, Emmanouil Fragkos, Dominik Tarczyński

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses *that the requirement* to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

Amendment

6. Stresses *the importance* to disclose information on how *companies'* sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

Amendment 61 Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all *relevant* information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

Amendment

6. Stresses that the requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include the sharing of all *necessary* information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain;

Or. en

Amendment 62 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that *the* requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include *the sharing of all* relevant information *on all actors throughout the entire supply chain*;

Amendment

6. Stresses that *any* requirement to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment should include *clear* indications on what specific relevant and necessary information needs to be shared;

Or. en

Amendment 63 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Stresses that *the requirement* to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment *should include the sharing of all relevant information on all actors throughout the entire supply chain*;

Amendment

6. Stresses that *additional* requirements to disclose information on how sustainability issues affect the company and how the company affects society and the environment must not increase the administrative burden derived from pre-existing reporting obligations;

Or. en

Amendment 64

Agnes Jongerius, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6 a. Notes that as part of the revision of the reporting system Non-Financial Reporting Directive ('NFRD') the behaviour of a company in the supply chain has an impact; by extending the scope of the NFRD to the supply chain the impact of sustainable corporate governance will be bigger;

Or. en

Amendment 65 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6 b. Underlines the importance of the new taxonomy regulation also in regard to the supply chain; stresses that tackling tax avoidance is a fundamental part of

sustainable corporate governance;

Or. en

Amendment 66 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

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Or. en

Amendment 67 Barry Andrews, Samira Rafaela, Urmas Paet, Jérémy Decerle, Karin Karlsbro, Jordi Cañas, Marie-Pierre Vedrenne

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains; calls on the Commission to explore an EU-level certification scheme for supply chains as part of its legislative proposal on due diligence; calls on the Commission to rapidly assess, following the principle of "one in, one out", which existing regulation could be updated or replaced;

Amendment 68 Agnes Jongerius, Miroslav Číž, Kathleen Van Brempt, Aurore Lalucq, Raphaël Glucksmann, Joachim Schuster, Udo Bullmann

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains; underlines that sustainable corporate governance should not be limited by the present or lack of proper due diligence legislation; asks the Commission to add the sustainable corporate governance and corporate due diligence into the ongoing Trade Policy review.

Or. en

Amendment 69
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains, including provisions for liability for harm caused and for the failure to adequately carry out due

Amendment 70 Angelika Winzig, Seán Kelly, Jörgen Warborn, Iuliu Winkler, Gabriel Mato

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes the importance of discussing due diligence measures in the context of sustainable corporate governance in order to identify, prevent, mitigate possible human rights violation in global supply chains.

Or. en

Amendment 71 Sergio Berlato, Emmanouil Fragkos, Dominik Tarczyński

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that *requires* companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that *encourages* companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Or. en

Amendment 72 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion

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Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot reach its full potential without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Stresses that the EU cannot tackle the issue of sustainable corporate governance alone, and that it cannot be successful or remain competitive without due diligence requirements for global value chains on a global level;

Or. en

Amendment 73 Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot *reach its full potential* without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Amendment

7. Notes that sustainable corporate governance cannot *work efficiently* without due diligence legislation that requires companies to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for human rights abuses and environmental damage in their global value chains.

Or. en

Amendment 74
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7 a. Underlines that trade policy plays a vital role in the smart mix of measures that foster business respect for human rights and mitigate environmental damage; stresses in this regard that

sustainable corporate governance and corporate due diligence should be embedded in EU trade policy and calls on the Commission to include both issues in its forthcoming Trade Policy Review.

Or. en

Amendment 75 Emmanuel Maurel, Helmut Scholz, Luke Ming Flanagan, Clare Daly

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses that sustainable corporate governance must enable the presence and participation of at least one third of salaried directors who, with their knowledge of the business, will help improve the effectiveness of the sustainable measures introduced;

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