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Amendment 1

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. whereas the European Union budget should promote public investment by supporting productive and strategic sectors, public services, the creation of jobs with rights, the fight against poverty, social exclusion and inequalities, the protection of the environment and the full use of the potential of each country and region, together with the pursuit of external relations rooted in solidarity, cooperation, mutual respect and the promotion and safeguarding of peace;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Calls for the Union budget to be ramped up in an effort to tackle the socio-economic plight that the Member States are facing and, in particular, their workers and citizens – a situation which has been compounded by speculative increases in commodity, energy and food prices, by the war in Ukraine and the impact of the ensuing sanctions; recalls that the Member States do not have the same capacities when it comes to responding to the current situation and calls, therefore, for the redistributive function of the Union budget to be bolstered, supporting the promotion of real convergence in economic and social progress between the Member States, which should be done by substantially increasing national contributions derived from GNI but should not contribute to increasing the indebtedness of the Member States; takes the view, moreover, that, in the current context, the main objectives to be pursued through the use of funds from the Union budget should be: helping the Member States to protect the incomes of workers and their families; protecting employment with rights and stable and regulated employment relationships; safeguarding the solvency of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises; reviving economic activity,

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with a particular focus on productive sectors; advancing the Member States' sovereignty, particularly their food and energy sovereignty; protecting the environment and biodiversity; supporting the reception and integration of all refugees and migrants, regardless of their origin and/or nationality;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 4 a (new)

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Amendment

4a. Takes the view that the current socio-economic state of affairs is proof once again that the euro strips states of monetary, financial, exchange and, to a considerable extent, budgetary instruments that they could use to further development that takes account of their national circumstances and the requisite responses to social and economic problems; calls for the establishment of a Union programme facilitating a negotiated exit for countries wishing to leave the single currency and regain monetary sovereignty, restoring to their respective national central banks the power to issue currency and act as a lender of last resort, and the ability to provide funding for the government and a margin of manoeuvre to respond to financial market blackmail; notes that this programme should also provide support for countries leaving the euro area and possibly compensation for the damage caused by staying in the euro;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4b. Rejects the increase in interest rates decided by the ECB and the consequent increase in Euribor rates; recalls that this will have negative impacts on the financing conditions of peripheral euro area countries and particularly damaging consequences for the solvency of households and micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises in countries where variable interest rate models predominate, deepening asymmetries and inequalities within the Union;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 4 c (new)

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Amendment

4c. Calls for a derogation from Article 123 TFEU, opening up the possibility of direct European Central Bank (ECB) funding for Member States through the direct purchase of national government bonds, avoiding the financial markets, warding off speculative attacks against sovereign debt and preventing financial capital gains that would erode the revenues accruing to Member States from the direct sale of debt securities to the ECB;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 14 a (new)

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Amendment

14a. Considers that the Union budget should support the Member States in their strategies to diversify energy supply, which should be established under mutually advantageous forms of cooperation and solidarity between countries, and should not replace existing dependencies with new, more costly and more polluting ones (such as shale gas from the USA); further believes that the Union budget should support Member States that decide to reverse the processes of liberalisation and privatisation of the energy sector – from generation to distribution, infrastructure, networks and reservoirs – by taking public control of this sector, so as to ensure control over energy prices, safeguard the rights of families and of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises, promote energy sovereignty and preserve the ecological balance;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Calls for a reorientation of Union funds towards public investment in transport infrastructure and for increased support for transport infrastructure and the promotion of public transport and sustainable mobility, a measure that with the current steep rise in energy prices, including fuel prices, is more pressing than ever; calls for account to be taken of the urgency of supporting the modernisation and construction of local and regional transport infrastructure in peripheral Member States; rejects the use of the Union budget to strengthen public-private partnerships, to promote privatisation and to liberalise the sector;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 22 a (new)

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Amendment

22a. Considers that the current socio-economic situation brings to the fore that the Stability and Growth Pact and the Economic Governance of the European Union as a whole undermine the ability of Member States to respond adequately to social and economic problems and needs, be they cyclical or structural; calls, therefore, for the repeal of the Stability Pact, the six-pack and two-pack economic governance legislation, the European Semester, the Fiscal Compact, and all mechanisms that restrict Member States' room for manoeuvre in the promotion of public investment and their financing of public services and their social roles;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 22 b (new)

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Amendment

22b. Regrets that the sum proposed by both the European Commission and the Council for the ESF + compared with the sum budgeted for 2022 is not only below what was budgeted when the MFF 21-27 was adopted, but is also well below inflation figures; stresses that the proposal is clearly insufficient to meet the growing and dramatic needs of workers and citizens; calls for a significant increase in the budget allocation for this fund;

Or. pt

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Paragraph 22 c (new)

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22c. Calls for budget lines earmarked for cohesion to be ramped up; recalls that the Cohesion Fund has been decreasing from one Multiannual Financial Framework to the next and remains insufficient to meet needs; regrets that the response to urgent and unexpected situations is, as witnessed recently, to mobilise budget lines under the Structural Funds;

Or. pt