Amendment 25
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Highlights the fact that Member States continue to face numerous challenges and is convinced that Union citizens expect the 2023 budget to be more efficient, transparent and performance-based, providing concrete reductions in administrative expenditure and granting an efficient and accountable use of taxpayers' money; underlines also the need to properly evaluate which funds could be better managed at national level in order to ensure full respect for the principle of subsidiarity;

Amendment 26 Anna Bonfrisco, Joachim Kuhs on behalf of the ID Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. **Regrets** the Council's position on the DB, which cuts EUR 1,64 billion in commitment appropriations and EUR 530 million in payment appropriations for the MFF headings compared to the Commission's proposal; considers that the cuts proposed by the Council neither reflect the seriousness of the abovementioned challenges facing the Union and its citizens nor are not driven by an objective assessment of either implementation trends or absorption capacities and run counter to core shared policy priorities putting at risk the ability of the Union to successfully implement its key political objectives and priorities; considers that the Council should not target programmes that benefit from the adjustment provided for in Article 5 of the MFF regulation for "rebalancing and stabilisation", since that would contradict the objective of that MFF provision, which was to strengthen specific political priorities; recalls in particular that Article 5 of the MFF regulation does not provide "top ups", as suggested by the Council; concludes that the Council's position is far from Parliament's expectations; decides therefore, as a general rule, to restore appropriations on lines cut by the Council to the level of the DB, for both operational and administrative expenditure,

Amendment

3. *Notes* the Council's position on the DB, which cuts EUR 1,64 billion in commitment appropriations and EUR 530 million in payment appropriations for the MFF headings compared to the Commission's proposal; *notes Parliament's lack of flexibility in relation to* Council's position *having restored* appropriations on lines cut by the Council to the level of the DB, for both operational and administrative expenditure;

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and to take the DB as the starting point for Parliament's position;

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5a. Stresses the fact that new policy priorities or tasks must be accompanied by an efficient use of resources; asks for an in-depth analysis of whether policy priorities or tasks of decentralised agencies could not be better accomplished by existing Directorates-Generals of the Commission or by Member states in order to prevent duplication of roles and costs and also improving transparency;

Amendment 28
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Stresses the need to significantly increase the budget of the European Environment Agency to provide sufficient financial and staff resources to enable full implementation of the European Green Deal and its related policies as one of the main pillars for the transformation of the Union economy to a fair, inclusive, sustainable, resilient and carbon-neutral economy; believes that the Commission should at all costs avoid putting at risk the implementation and enforcement of environmental policies and legislation;

Amendment

39. Notes with concern the significant increase to the budget of the European Environment Agency for providing financial and staff resources in order to implement the European Green Deal and its related policies; warns that such politics will provoke high additional costs for Union citizens as well as for SMEs, who are already being faced with unprecedented increases in energy prices and the consequences of the Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine;

Amendment 29 Anna Bonfrisco, Joachim Kuhs on behalf of the ID Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 47 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

47a. Underlines the failure of European policies in preventing migration flows and human trafficking; reiterates its concerns about the role played by instruments such as the Internal Security Fund and the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund in the management of the effects of the migration and refugee crisis;

Amendment 30 Anna Bonfrisco, Joachim Kuhs on behalf of the ID Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 57 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

57a. Calls for an immediate stop to the Union's accession negotiations with Turkey and the prompt suspension of all funds provided to that country under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance and EIB financing, since Turkey does not respect several of the basic principles of freedom and democracy and it has increased its aggressive behaviour, not only in the Mediterranean area, becoming a real threat for many Member States; believes that Union should not send any financial or other support to Turkey;

Amendment 31
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Considers that the Council's cuts in this heading - which are designed to obviate recourse to the Flexibility Instrument, as proposed in the DB - are unjustified and would not allow the Commission to fulfil its tasks; restores therefore the DB for the Commission administrative expenditure, including with respect to its Offices;

Amendment

61. Welcomes the Council's cuts in this heading given the many privileges and benefits that are already provided; regrets therefore the decision to restore the DB for the Commission administrative expenditure, including with respect to its Offices;

Amendment 32 Anna Bonfrisco, Joachim Kuhs on behalf of the ID Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 70 - point d

Motion for a resolution

(d) underlines the need for Parliament's Committee on Budgets to receive all relevant information relating to Parliament's budget in a timely and intelligible manner to be able to take informed decisions; while recognising the importance of the establishment of Europa Experiences in all Member States as a way to bring the Union closer to the people, requests an update of the running costs of the Europa Experience centres, given the context of high inflation; requests also an update on the EUR 37,9 million loan proposed to finance the purchase of the building of the Europa Experience in Dublin as required by Article 266(6) of the Financial Regulation;

Amendment

stresses that Parliament's (d) Committee on Budgets *has* to receive all relevant information relating to Parliament's budget in a timely and intelligible manner to be able to take informed decisions; however, regrets the aim of establishing Europa Experiences centres in all Member States, since it questions their real added value; in this context, requests an update of the running costs of the Europa Experience centres, given the context of high inflation and also an update on the EUR 37,9 million loan proposed to finance the purchase of the building of the Europa Experience in Dublin as required by Article 266(6)of the Financial Regulation;

Amendment 33
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 70 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70a. Recalls Parliament's 2013
resolution which estimated the costs of the geographic dispersion to range from EUR 156 million to EUR 204 million per year; deplores the fact that over a single parliamentary term the costs generated by Parliament's geographic dispersion can amount to as much as EUR 1 billion and calls, therefore, for practical steps to be taken quickly to establish a single seat for Parliament, in order to prevent any further waste of public money;