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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on the development of open-air urban farms

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the development of open-air urban farms

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 191 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU),
 - having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas urban farms are becoming more common in Europe, as demonstrated by the Parc des Expositions project in Paris, which, by 2022, will see Europe's largest urban farm (14 000 m²), producing at least one tonne of fruit and vegetables per day, opened on the roof of an exhibition hall;
 - B. whereas this type of urban farm, in which crops are grown in the open air with no heating or artificial lighting, is environmentally friendly, as it does not consume energy;
 - C. whereas urban farms do not use plant protection products;
 - D. whereas urban farms, in addition to promoting short supply chains, reconnect urban dwellers with their food;
1. Calls on the Commission to consider providing co-financing, separate from the common agriculture policy budget, for initiatives in support of open-air urban farms;
 2. Calls on the Commission to find out about possible pilot schemes in other Member States, so that experience can be shared;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission.