Amendment 18 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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General guidelines for the 2022 budget, Section III – Commission (2020/2265(BUI))

Motion for a resolution Recital -A (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-A. 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 use of the full potential of each country and region, together with efforts to develop external relations founded on solidarity, cooperation, mutual respect and peace;

Or. pt

Amendment 19 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Criticises the fact that the -1. measures taken by the EU thus far do not properly address the scale of the problems caused by the worsening economic and social situation and consequences of COVID-19; takes the view that those measures are insufficient and temporary, are taking too long to reach the Member States, and are based on the concept of indebtedness - adding to debts that are already unsustainable and getting worse or the expectation of future funds; criticises, further, the very strict conditionalities attached to the use of these funds, which are likely to exacerbate imbalances, inequalities and dependencies;

Or. pt

Amendment 20 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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General guidelines for the 2022 budget, Section III – Commission (2020/2265(BUI))

Motion for a resolution Paragraph -1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

--1a. Calls for the EU budget to be increased significantly to address the difficult socio-economic situation facing the Member States, which is being compounded by the consequences of COVID-19, and for its redistributive role to be stepped up, supporting the promotion of real upward economic and social convergence between the Member States;

Or. pt

Amendment 21 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph -1 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

--1b. Considers that, in the current situation, the main objectives to be pursued through the mobilisation of funds from the EU budget should be: supporting Member States' public health systems; ensuring prevention and a proper public health response; helping the Member States to protect the incomes of workers and their families; protecting employment with rights; safeguarding the solvency of micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises; and reviving economic activity, with a particular focus on productive sectors;

Or. pt

Amendment 22 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Takes the view that the EU's vaccination strategy, which prioritises the interests of pharmaceutical multinationals over the public interest and public health, has failed; calls for patents to be lifted so that existing production capacity in the Member States can be used to achieve large-scale vaccine production; calls for vaccine procurement to be diversified to include countries and/or pharmaceutical companies which have developed COVID-19 vaccines recognised by the World Health Organisation;

Or. pt

Amendment 23 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Considers pay cuts and the erosion of workers' incomes and rights to be unacceptable; rejects any attempt to use the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak as a pretext to further exploit workers and undermine their rights; draws attention to the difficult situation currently faced by self-employed workers and freelancers, temporary scientific staff, workers in the culture, catering, hospitality and tourism sectors and young people in traineeships; calls for EU programmes to give priority to projects that promote and place emphasis on the creation of jobs with rights, wage levels and stable and regulated employment relationships;

Or. pt

Amendment 24 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls for EU budget 25a. appropriations to be reallocated to help Member States to tackle the economic and social situation which has been exacerbated by the fallout from COVID-19, directing funds away from external action (with the exception of public development aid), militarisation programmes, institutional propaganda, communitisation of security and border control and surveillance, among others, and towards support for Member States in keeping with the principle of economic and social cohesion, in other words, focusing on real upward economic and social convergence;

Or. pt

Amendment 25 João Ferreira, Sandra Pereira on behalf of The Left Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 35 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

35a. Calls for the EU budget to be made more flexible by means of a shift from centralised management of funds by the Commission to shared management with the Member States, bolstering cohesion policy instruments and giving Member States the freedom to reallocate appropriations between funds, headings and priorities, in line with their economic and social needs, and doing away with thematic concentration objectives and any macroeconomic and/or political conditionalities set by the EU;

Or. pt