

Amendment 5**Dimitrios Papadimoulis**

on behalf of The Left Group

Report**A9-0046/2021****Karlo Ressler**Guidelines for the 2022 budget – Section III
(2020/2265(BUI))**Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 7***Motion for a resolution*

7. Underlines the pivotal role of EU cohesion policy as the prime investment policy of the Union and one of the cornerstones of a sustainable and inclusive recovery, and points to its unique European added value and contribution to the overall harmonious development of the EU and its Member States and regions; stresses, in particular, *its* potential to stimulate economic growth and create more quality jobs, which are central to the recovery process; highlights its key role in reaching EU strategic objectives such as economic, social and territorial cohesion and convergence between and within Member States, just transition, quality employment, a competitive, social, green and circular economy, and innovation, and as a driving force of a fair, inclusive and sustainable Union;

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7. Underlines the pivotal role of EU cohesion policy as the prime investment policy of the Union and one of the cornerstones of a sustainable and inclusive recovery, and points to its unique European added value and contribution to the overall harmonious development of the EU and its Member States and regions; ***stresses that the COVID-19 crisis has exacerbated existing economic, social and regional inequalities between and within the Member States and calls for responsive and decisive cohesion and social policies in order to address them;*** stresses, in particular, ***the potential of cohesion policy*** to stimulate economic growth and create more quality jobs, which are central to the recovery process; highlights its key role in reaching EU strategic objectives such as economic, social and territorial cohesion and convergence between and within Member States, just transition, quality employment, a competitive, social, green and circular economy, and innovation, and as a driving force of a fair, inclusive and sustainable Union;

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13. Stresses the central role of the EU budget in ensuring the success of the European Green Deal, including the biodiversity strategy, and the application of the ‘do no harm’ principle, boosting the Member States’ economic and social recovery from the coronavirus crisis by turning green challenges into investments and **structural reforms** opportunities and facilitating the fair transition towards a **more** sustainable, inclusive and resilient economy; recalls that this transition requires significant structural change and that not all Member States, regions and cities are starting the transition from an equal level or have the same capacity to address it; stresses in particular the need to ensure that adequate resources, including recovery funds as well as the Just Transition Mechanism, underpin the new growth strategy, in order to enable the Union to deliver on its commitments while ensuring no-one is left behind, and intends to monitor closely the implementation of the strategy in the 2022 budget; underlines, in this context, that investing in energy efficiency, circular economy, sustainable and affordable smart mobility and modern and resilient EU infrastructure are key factors in restoring competitiveness, contributing to the achievement of the EU climate objectives and building up the

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EU's strategic autonomy, as well as promoting sustainable industries; acknowledges, furthermore, the key role played by the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) in interconnecting the Union and all of its regions, including the outermost, insular and sparsely populated ones, in the transport, digital and energy sectors;

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Paragraph 22

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22. Stresses that sustainable and long-term solutions must be found to successfully fight structural demographic challenges, as well as to mitigate brain drain in rural, insular, remote and less developed areas and regions of the EU; emphasises the need for financial resources to revitalise regions suffering from population decline through investments in social and demographic policies *that support families* and to provide ageing populations in Europe with adequate support in terms of access to healthcare, mobility and public services; highlights the need to set up appropriate structures to study trends and propose measures to adequately address demographic change by adding, for instance, special criteria to the allocation methodology for structural funds in the future;

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23. Highlights that women have been disproportionately affected by the fallout of the COVID-19 crisis; underlines the importance of the implementation of gender-responsive budgeting to ensure that women and men benefit equally from public spending; calls, in this context, on the Commission to accelerate the introduction of an effective, transparent and comprehensive methodology, in close cooperation with Parliament, to measure relevant gender expenditure, as set out in the Interinstitutional Agreement, in order to be able to show tangible results for the 2022 budget and in view of the extension of the methodology to all MFF programmes; calls, furthermore, for the swift implementation of the EU gender equality strategy; stresses the worrying and increasing backlash against gender equality and women's rights and the importance of mobilising all EU instruments to combat this situation; calls for additional resources to support the protection, promotion and universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights and to support women human rights defenders;

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23. Highlights that women ***and vulnerable and marginalised groups*** have been disproportionately affected by the fallout of the COVID-19 crisis, ***as they comprise the majority of workers in the care sector and in sectors that have been particularly badly hit by unemployment and lockdowns, while also being victims of the sharp increase in domestic and gender-based violence***; recalls that the gender employment, gender pay and gender pension gaps remain extremely wide; underlines that the annual EU budget should contribute to tackling these inequalities; underlines the importance of the implementation of gender-responsive budgeting to ensure that women and men benefit equally from public spending; calls, in this context, on the Commission to accelerate the introduction of an effective, transparent and comprehensive methodology, in close cooperation with Parliament, to measure relevant gender expenditure, as set out in the Interinstitutional Agreement, in order to be able to show tangible results for the 2022 budget and in view of the extension of the methodology to all MFF programmes; ***calls for a gender-responsive evaluation of the previous budgetary period***; calls, furthermore, for the swift implementation of the EU gender equality strategy; stresses

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27. Takes note of the fact that the 2021-2027 multiannual financial framework provides for higher amounts than in previous years for the implementation of migration, asylum and integration policies; expects asylum and migration to remain high on the EU's agenda; stresses that solidarity measures such as relocation programmes, resettlement or humanitarian admission remain crucial pending meaningful reform of the Common European Asylum System; highlights, in that regard, that Member States will continue to require financial support for the reception, registration and examination of asylum applications, as well as for returns and relocation; calls for more funding to be directed towards coordination with transit countries and countries of origin of irregular migration with the aim of controlling and stopping human trafficking and human smuggling; is deeply concerned by the continuing loss of life in the Mediterranean and believes that search and rescue is a responsibility that cannot be left exclusively to non-state actors; adds that non-EU countries at the Union's external borders that are faced with migration flows to the EU will also continue to require financial support; ***highlights the important role of the European Border and Coast Guard (Frontex) in this regard and its***

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recently enhanced mandate, and calls for adequate funding for Frontex to enable it to deliver in all areas of responsibility falling under its new mandate; insists that the effective management of the external borders must comply with Union and international law, respecting, in particular, the right to asylum and the principle of non-refoulement, especially in the context of recent allegations concerning possible involvement in pushbacks; recalls, therefore, the need for recruitment of fundamental rights officers, in line with article 110 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1896, in order to contribute to the promotion of fundamental rights as part of European integrated border management; underlines that increases in the budgetary allocations to Frontex need to be accompanied by a corresponding increase in accountability and transparency and are conditional on the Agency's commitment to Union law;

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28. Highlights the need for adequate funding, staffing and staff training for all agencies operating in the field of security, justice, law enforcement, fundamental rights, asylum and migration, **and border management** in order for them to fulfil their increased responsibilities, and draws attention to the importance of cooperation between them, the need for technological innovation and adaptation, and their vital role in reinforcing cooperation and coordination among the Member States; highlights the importance of the proper implementation and operational management of large-scale EU IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice;

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29. Strongly supports strengthened EU efforts to tackle rising security threats such as terrorism, radicalisation and violent extremism, criminal smuggling, human trafficking, drug trafficking, cybercrime and hybrid threats within Europe and neighbouring countries, and disinformation campaigns against European democracies steered from third countries as well as to improve coordination of such programmes at EU level; recalls that recent terror attacks prove that improvements to the interoperability of information systems in the area of justice and home affairs are necessary to strengthen the Union's internal security; notes that the pandemic has led to new criminal challenges; ***welcomes, therefore, the strategy for a security union presented by the Commission on 24 July 2020, and calls for adequate funding for the action plans contained therein;***

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34. *Emphasises the importance of ensuring adequate financial support, both from the Member States and through the European Defence Fund, in order to implement a progressive framing of the EU's common defence policy and to increase the EU's security and strategic autonomy; underlines, furthermore, the need to improve competitiveness and innovation in the European defence industry, which can contribute to stimulating growth and job creation, and the need to enhance deployability and operational effectiveness through increased efforts in joint military and civilian capability development;*

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Amendment 13

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40. Points to the legally binding nature of the roadmap to introduce new own resources in the course of the current MFF, which is enshrined in the Interinstitutional Agreement, and reaffirms its strong commitment to this process; underlines that the 2022 Union budget will constitute a bridge between the first and second steps of this roadmap; calls, *in particular, on the Council to start deliberating without delay, as soon as the Commission presents the legislative proposals on the new own resources based on a carbon border adjustment mechanism, a digital levy and the EU emissions trading system (EU ETS), with a view to making a decision by 1 July 2022*; expects, moreover, that discussions on the financial transaction tax under enhanced cooperation will be positively concluded by the end of 2022, which will allow the Commission to come forward with a proposal for a new own resource; points, in that respect, to the need for smooth implementation so that new own resources cover at least the expenditure related to the repayment of the capital and interest of the EURI;

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