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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 4 a (new)

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Amendment

4a. Calls for specific measures of solidarity for the protection of migrants, asylum-seekers and refugees in Europe from COVID-19, guaranteeing their universal access to public services, medical tests, healthcare and medication and social benefits;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 a (new)

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Amendment

7a. Is concerned about the protection of non-essential workers who should stop working during lock down; calls on the Member States to suspend non-essential activities; calls on the Commission to coordinate a joint approach among Member States, to draw up a list of essential activities to be carried out under quarantine with sufficient personal protection equipment and to advise all other workers to stay at home;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

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Calls on the Commission to strengthen all components of crisis management and disaster response, and to further strengthen instruments such as RescEU to ensure a truly common, coordinated and effective response at EU level; believes that European disaster risk management, preparedness and prevention should be enhanced in addition to common equipment, materials and medicines stocks, in order to allow for their quick mobilisation to protect the lives and livelihoods of EU citizens; believes that the EU Civil Protection Mechanism should be strengthened in order to facilitate the joint repatriation of EU citizens;

Amendment

10. Calls on the Commission to strengthen all components of crisis management and disaster response, and to further strengthen instruments such as RescEU to ensure a truly common, coordinated and effective response at EU level; believes that European disaster risk management, preparedness and prevention should be enhanced in addition to common equipment, materials and medicines stocks, in order to allow for their quick mobilisation to protect the lives and livelihoods of EU citizens; believes that the EU Civil Protection Mechanism should be strengthened in order to facilitate the joint repatriation of EU citizens; calls on the Commission and the Member States to put forward a plan to develop each Member State's strategic productive sectors in a coordinated and cohesive way; calls on Member States to nationalise or requisition production sites when needed in order to produce all necessary medical devices:

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

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Amendment

Calls for the measures adopted by the EU and by Member States to respect the rights of persons with disabilities in line with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; stresses that particular attention should be given to equal access to healthcare, and ensuring that community-based care and support services, needed by persons with disabilities on a daily basis, are funded and well equipped and staffed; stresses also that public information concerning the COVID-19 pandemic should be accessible to the widest range of persons with disabilities, and that persons with disabilities should be included in all income protection measures;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 16

Joint motion for a resolution

16. Welcomes the measures that have been taken so far at EU level in terms of fiscal measures and liquidity support;

Amendment

16. Welcomes the measures that have been taken so far at EU level in terms of fiscal measures and liquidity support; calls for the permanent repeal of the Stability and Growth Pact, the Macroeconomic Imbalances Procedure and European Semester process to allow Member States to finance the recovery of their economies; calls for the creation of a new Sustainable Development and Employment Pact after the crisis;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 16 a (new)

Joint motion for a resolution

Amendment

Regrets the delayed and inadequate response to the crisis by the Eurogroup on 9 April; notes that this meeting exposes the existing contradictions within the EU, as well as the appalling lack of solidarity and adequate measures to respond to the extent of the problems Member States and people are facing; considers the total package of EUR 0.5 trillion to be extremely weak compared to the increased needs; opposes the narrow scope, the limited capacity, the conditionality and the surveillance attached to the EUR 240 billion through the ESM; regrets that the solution presented is an undefined and vague recovery fund;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 17 a (new)

Joint motion for a resolution

Amendment

Asks the EU institutions, particularly the ECB, to act urgently to prevent a new financial and sovereign debt crisis from developing; in this regard, stresses that the part of sovereign debt related to COVID-19 should be identified and cancelled to ensure that the economy of all Member States is given the possibility to recover; urges the ECB to become the lender of last resort for Member States; in this regard, the ECB should exchange the current sovereign bonds it is buying for new perpetual and with negative interest rate bonds in order to provide unlimited and unconditional resources to Member States to finance the recovery and transformation of their economies; stresses that the ECB must identify the lessons learned from the crisis and ask the Commission to propose a revision of its statutes in order to increase the capacity of the bank to support public spending;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Joint motion for a resolution

18. Stresses that this recovery and reconstruction package should have at its core the European Green Deal and the digital transformation in order to kick-start the economy, improve its resilience and create jobs while at the same time assist in the ecological transition, foster sustainable economic and social development – including the strategic autonomy of our continent – and assist in implementing an industrial strategy that preserves core EU industrial sectors; highlights the need to align our responses with the EU's objective of climate neutrality;

Amendment

Stresses that this recovery and 18. reconstruction package should have at its core the European Green Deal and the digital transformation in order to kick-start the economy, improve its resilience and create jobs while at the same time assist in the ecological transition, foster sustainable economic and social development – including the strategic autonomy of our continent – and assist in implementing an industrial strategy that preserves core EU industrial sectors; highlights the need to align our responses with the EU's objective of climate neutrality, the Paris Agreement and the aim to halt biodiversity loss;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 a (new)

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Amendment

Stresses that the EU and Member States will need to create new resources to fund the recovery and guarantee that working people do not have to bear the cost of the current crisis; emphasises that the recovery will not be socially just if not funded with progressive and redistributive fiscal resources; calls for an increase in taxes targeting both big companies and wealthy individuals; in this regard calls on Member States to raise corporate income tax rates to a minimum effective rate of 25 %, and to implement a financial transaction tax to reach especially those in the financial sector that have profited from short-term and speculative transactions and to create an excess profit tax; calls on Member States to create a net wealth tax targeting the wealthiest individuals; calls on Member States and the Commission to scale up the fight against tax avoidance and speed up the adoption of related tax dodging files to release additional financial resources;

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Joint motion for a resolution Paragraph 18 b (new)

Joint motion for a resolution

Amendment

Calls for an immediate creation of 18b. COVID-19 bonds and EU Green Deal bonds issued by the ECB or guaranteed by a purchase programme of the ECB that must be unconditional and will enable the Member States to rapidly recover from the pandemic crisis as well as transform their economies without leaving anyone behind; points out that COVID-19 bonds should be perpetual and interest-free in order to represent a permanent money creation that can compensate for an extraordinary economic shock; is of the opinion that these bonds can also be issued by the future European Recovery Fund or the EIB, as long as they are issued without macroeconomic or other conditionalities, without being subject to securitisation, and immediately bought by the ECB;

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