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# **DRAFT OPINION**

of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection

for the Committee on Budgets

on a revamped long-term budget for the Union in a changing world  
(2024/2051(INI))

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## AMENDMENTS

The Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection submits the following to the Committee on Budgets, as the committee responsible:

### Amendment 1

#### Motion for a resolution

#### Citation 19 a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the Commission communication of 29 January 2025 entitled ‘A Competitiveness Compass for the EU’ (COM(2025)0030),*

Or. en

### Amendment 2

#### Motion for a resolution

#### Recital H a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- Ha. whereas it is important that the new MFF for 2028-2034 efficiently supports competition and the functioning of the single market, and delivers measurable results to citizens and businesses through transparent performance indicators and regular impact assessments;*

Or. en

### Amendment 3

#### Motion for a resolution

#### Recital H b (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Hb.*** *whereas remaining barriers in the single market, as well as unfair competition practices, need to be addressed and illegal content and societal risks, such as online disinformation, effectively tackled;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 4**

**Motion for a resolution  
Recital H c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Hc.*** *whereas the emergence of crises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic and the Russian war in Ukraine, have highlighted the fact that it is essential for the new MFF to be flexible to fully address serious economic issues that may arise in the future; stresses that this must not distort the free market economy;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 5**

**Motion for a resolution  
Subheading 1 (after Paragraph 5)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

Competitiveness strategic autonomy, social, economic and territorial cohesion and resilience

Competitiveness ***and the single market***, strategic autonomy, social, economic and territorial cohesion and resilience

Or. en

## Amendment 6

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***12a. Urges the Commission to ensure that the new MFF programmes increase the available resources to support the proper enforcement of single market rules and consumer rights, including product safety regulations, while ensuring the transparency and traceability of funds; emphasises that enforcement of single market rules is crucial to ensuring fair competition, fostering trust among businesses and consumers, and preventing market distortions;***

Or. en

## Amendment 7

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 b (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***12b. Highlights the need to ensure robust monitoring of the online environment and enforcement mechanisms for the Digital Services and Digital Markets Acts, including clear guidelines for online intermediaries and platforms, as well as digital gatekeepers, and sufficient resources for national and EU-level authorities in this regard;***

Or. en

## Amendment 8

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 c (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***12c. Insists that additional funds are needed to ensure the proper enforcement of the AI Act<sup>1a</sup> by providing the European AI Office with the required staff resources, including subject experts from outside the institutions, while simultaneously supporting research and development in AI-driven solutions and innovative approaches that increase the EU's technological sovereignty;***

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***<sup>1a</sup> Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 laying down harmonised rules on artificial intelligence and amending Regulations (EC) No 300/2008, (EU) No 167/2013, (EU) No 168/2013, (EU) 2018/858, (EU) 2018/1139 and (EU) 2019/2144 and Directives 2014/90/EU, (EU) 2016/797 and (EU) 2020/1828 (Artificial Intelligence Act) (Text with EEA relevance) (OJ L, 2024/1689, 12.7.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1689/oj>).***

Or. en

## Amendment 9

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 d (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***12d. Highlights the fact that adequate funding and resources will be required to strengthen the Customs Union and the ongoing customs reform that aims to revise the Union Customs Code and establish the EU Customs Authority in order to increase cooperation between customs and market surveillance authorities, develop and maintain an EU customs data hub and tackle challenges related to unsafe and illegal products imported via e-commerce platforms from non-EU countries; considers that the Commission and the new EU Customs Authority should be provided with the necessary resources to develop digital tools in order to improve customs efficiency among national authorities; highlights the role of a robust customs system in safeguarding the EU's economic resilience and competitiveness by streamlining cross-border trade and addressing illicit market activities;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 10**

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***13a. Emphasises that a new framework for a single market instrument should eliminate complexities, such as multiple entry points and delays in access to funding; calls for the creation of synergies between the current Single Market Programme and the announced Competitiveness Fund with the objectives of increasing the competitiveness of the EU, further strengthening the single***

*market for goods and services, and ensuring simplification and flexibility, with the possibility of reallocation of funding;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 11**

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*13b. Emphasises the importance of integrating digital tools to streamline funding access and ensure real-time monitoring of resource allocation, thereby enhancing the flexibility and efficiency of the new framework for the single market;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 12**

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*13c. Emphasises the need for the single market to be resilient and ready to face internal market emergencies;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 13**

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18**



*Motion for a resolution*

18. Recalls that **social**, economic and territorial cohesion is a cornerstone of European integration and is vital in binding the Union together and deepening the single market; underlines that a modernised cohesion policy must follow a decentralised, place-based, multilevel governance approach and be built around the shared management and partnership principle, fully involving local and regional authorities;

*Amendment*

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Or. en

**Amendment 14**

**Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 24 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

25. Recalls that security is the foundation for the Union's prosperity and social model and that the next MFF must invest significantly more in safeguarding

*Amendment*

**24a. Calls for the integration of green and digital transition goals into new MFF programmes to ensure the EU's leadership in sustainable innovation;**

Or. en

**Amendment 15**

**Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 25**

*Motion for a resolution*

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*Amendment*

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the Union against the myriad threats it faces;

the Union against the myriad threats it faces ***and adopt a comprehensive security approach;***

Or. en

## Amendment 16

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 41 a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***41a. Stresses the need for the new MFF to make available sufficient funding for the integration of EU candidate countries into the single market, in line with the growth plans for the Western Balkans and the Republic of Moldova, and the Ukraine Plan;***

Or. en

## Amendment 17

### Motion for a resolution Paragraph 52 a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***52a. Stresses that the next MFF must fully reflect the importance of an excellence-based approach to EU funding, ensuring that resources are allocated to projects and initiatives that demonstrate the highest potential for innovation, economic growth and global competitiveness; highlights, in this context, the importance of aligning the budget with the objectives set out in the recently announced Competitiveness Compass, particularly with a view to strengthening the internal market, and of***

*directing sufficient funding towards policies and instruments that enhance productivity, support industrial leadership and foster technological advancement, thereby supporting the EU's objective of becoming a global economic and innovation leader;*

Or. en

## **Amendment 18**

### **Motion for a resolution Paragraph 61 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**61a.** *Calls for streamlined funding access for companies, particularly SMEs, and for a reduction in the bureaucratic procedures for accessing EU funds and programmes; emphasises the importance of digitising application and reporting processes for funding; calls for simplified procedures for businesses participating in the single market, in particular SMEs; stresses the need for a 'one-stop-shop' platform to centralise access to EU funds and provide dedicated support services tailored to SMEs' needs; highlights the importance of removing obstacles to cross-border trade and services, particularly for SMEs;*

Or. en

**ANNEX: ENTITIES OR PERSONS  
FROM WHOM THE RAPPORTEUR FOR OPINION HAS RECEIVED INPUT**

Pursuant to Article 8 of Annex I to the Rules of Procedure, the rapporteur for opinion declares that she received input from the following entities or persons in the preparation of the draft opinion:

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