Amendment 135

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020 changed the economic outlook for the years to come in the Union and in the world, calling for an urgent and coordinated response from the Union in order to cope with the enormous economic and social consequences for all Member. The challenges linked to the demographic context have been amplified by COVID-19. The current COVID-19 pandemic as well as the previous economic and financial crisis have shown that developing sound and resilient economies and financial systems built on strong economic and social structures helps Member States to respond more efficiently to shocks and recover more swiftly from them. The medium and longterm consequences of the COVID-19 crisis will critically depend on how quickly Member States' economies will recover from the crisis, which in turn depends on the fiscal space Member States have available to take measures to mitigate the social and economic impact of the crisis, and on the resilience of their economies. Reforms and investments to address structural weaknesses of the economies and strengthen their resilience will therefore be essential to set the economies back on a sustainable recovery path and avoid further widening of the divergences in the Union.

Amendment

(4)The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020 changed the economic outlook for the years to come in the Union and in the world, calling for an urgent and coordinated response from the Union in order to cope with the enormous economic and social consequences for all Member. The challenges linked to the demographic context, social inclusion and **social cohesion** have been amplified by COVID-19. The current COVID-19 pandemic as well as the previous economic and financial crisis have shown that developing sound and resilient economies and financial systems built on strong economic and social structures helps Member States to respond more efficiently to shocks and recover more swiftly from them. *Moreover, they have* shown that cuts in public spending on education, culture and healthcare are counterproductive to a swift recovery and to build resilient economies and societies. The medium and long-term consequences of the COVID-19 crisis will critically depend on how quickly Member States' economies will recover from the crisis, which in turn depends on the fiscal space Member States have available to take measures to mitigate the social and economic impact of the crisis, and on the resilience of their economies and public services of general interest. Reforms and investments to address structural weaknesses of the economies and public services of general interest and strengthen their resilience

will therefore be essential to set the economies *and social life* back on a sustainable recovery path and avoid further widening of the divergences in the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 151

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4a) Considering that the cultural and creative sectors and industries have been hit particularly hard by the fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic due to, amongst other things, the closure of cinemas, theatres and other cultural venues, the sudden stop of ticket sales and low advertisement sales, the Union and its Member States should earmark at least 2% of the Recovery and Resilience Facility for the support of these sectors, which are of utmost importance for the economies, social cohesion, tourism and recreation.

Or. en

Amendment 152

Petra Kammerevert, Victor Negrescu, Jens Geier, Ibán García Del Blanco, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Marcos Ros Sempere, Hannes Heide, Łukasz Kohut, Massimiliano Smeriglio, Predrag Fred Matić, Lara Wolters, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Niklas Nienaß, Martina Michels

Proposal for a regulation Recital 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4a) The COVID-19 pandemic and the measures taken to mitigate its effects on the economies have had disastrous

consequences for the social life in all Member States. Education, cultural activities, tourism and recreation came almost to a standstill. The Union and its Member States should therefore also invest in the recovery and resilience of these sectors and policy areas.

Or. en

Amendment 153

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4b) Considering that the cultural and creative sectors have been hit particularly hard by the fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic due to, amongst other things, the closure of cinemas, theatres and other cultural venues, the sudden stop of ticket sales and low advertisement sales, the Union and its Member States should earmark at least 2% of the Recovery and Resilience Facility for the support of these sectors, which are of utmost importance for the economies, social cohesion, tourism and recreation.

Or. en

Amendment 171

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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investment is often drastically cut during crises. However, it is essential to support investment in this particular situation to speed up the recovery and strengthen long-term growth potential. Investing in green and digital technologies, capacities and processes aimed at assisting clean energy transition, boosting energy efficiency in housing and other key sectors of the economic are important to achieve sustainable growth and help create jobs. It will also help make the Union more resilient and less dependent by diversifying key supply chains.

investment is often drastically cut during crises. However, it is essential to support investment, public and private, in this particular situation to speed up the recovery, mitigate the effects of the pandemic on social inclusion and cohesion and strengthen long-term growth potential. Investing in green and digital technologies, capacities and processes aimed at assisting clean energy transition, boosting energy efficiency in housing and other key sectors of the economic are important to achieve sustainable growth and help create jobs. It will also help make the Union more resilient and less dependent by diversifying key supply chains. However, it is equally important to invest in education, culture and other public services of general interest in order to promote social inclusion and social cohesion, to prepare the citizens for the future needs of our labour markets, to equip them with the necessary skills and competences and to give them new opportunities.

Amendment 228 Karlo Ressler, Tomislav Sokol

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) In accordance with Regulation [European Union Recovery Instrument] and within the limits of resources allocated therein, recovery and resilience measures under the Recovery and Resilience Facility should be carried out to address the unprecedented impact of the COVID-19 crisis. Such additional resources should be used in such a way as to ensure compliance with the time limits provided for in Regulation [EURI].

Amendment

(10) In accordance with Regulation[European Union Recovery Instrument] and within the limits of resources allocated therein, recovery and resilience measures under the Recovery and Resilience Facility should be carried out to address the unprecedented impact of the COVID-19 crisis *especially on health care, tourism, creative industry and sports sector*. Such additional resources should be used in such a way as to ensure compliance with the time limits provided

for in Regulation [EURI].

Amendment 263 Costas Mavrides, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Jonás Fernández

Proposal for a regulation Recital 11 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11d) At least 2% of the Recovery and Resilience Plans should contribute to the recovery of the cultural and creative sectors according to their specific needs.

Or. en

Amendment 279 Csaba Molnár, Marek Belka, Eero Heinäluoma, Marc Angel

Proposal for a regulation Recital 12 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(12a) The scope of application of the Facility should refer to policy areas related to economic, social and territorial cohesion, the green and digital transitions, health, competitiveness, entrepreneurship, resilience, productivity, stability of the financial systems, culture, education and skills, children and youth policies, research and innovation, smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, public healthcare systems, policies in line with the European Pillar of Social Rights - such as social protection - high-quality jobs and investment, gender equality, the integration of people with disabilities, social dialogue and strengthening democratic systems, including efficient and independent judicial systems as well as media pluralism and media freedom.

Amendment 303 Karlo Ressler, Tomislav Sokol

Proposal for a regulation Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) The Facility's general objective should be the promotion of economic, social and territorial cohesion. For that purpose, it should contribute to improving the resilience and adjustment capacity of the Member States, mitigating the social and economic impact of the crisis, and supporting the green and digital transitions aimed at achieving a climate neutral Europe by 2050, thereby restoring the growth potential of the economies of the Union in the aftermath of the crisis, fostering employment creation and to promoting sustainable growth.

Amendment

The Facility's general objective (14)should be the promotion of economic, social and territorial cohesion for a more harmonious development across Member States, with a special focus on rural, mountainous, outermost, insular regions and regions which suffer from severe and permanent natural or demographic handicaps. For that purpose, it should contribute to improving the resilience and adjustment capacity of the Member States, mitigating the social, economic and demographic impact of the crisis and supporting the *sustainable* green, digital and demographic transitions aimed at achieving a climate neutral Europe by 2050, thereby restoring the growth potential of the economies of the Union in the aftermath of the crisis, especially of the most affected sectors such as health care, culture, tourism, creative industry and sports sector, fostering high-quality job creation and promoting sustainable, inclusive, long-term economic growth.

Or. en

Amendment 344

Petra Kammerevert, Victor Negrescu, Jens Geier, Ibán García Del Blanco, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Marcos Ros Sempere, Hannes Heide, Łukasz Kohut, Massimiliano Smeriglio, Predrag Fred Matić, Lara Wolters, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Niklas Nienaß, Martina Michels

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) To ensure its contribution to the objectives of the Facility, the recovery and resilience plan should comprise measures

Amendment

(16) To ensure its contribution to the objectives of the Facility, the recovery and resilience plan should comprise measures

for the implementation of reforms and public investment projects through a coherent recovery and resilience plan. The recovery and resilience plan should be consistent with the relevant countryspecific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester, with the national reform programmes, the national energy and climate plans, the just transition plans, and the partnership agreements and operational programmes adopted under the Union funds. To boost actions that fall within the priorities of the European Green Deal and the Digital Agenda, the plan should also set out measures that are relevant for the green and digital transitions. The measures should enable a swift deliver of targets, objectives and contributions set out in national energy and climate plans and updates thereof. All supported activities should be pursued in full respect of the climate and environmental priorities of the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 403 Karlo Ressler, Tomislav Sokol

Proposal for a regulation Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) In order to ensure the national ownership and a focus on relevant reforms and investments, Member States wishing to receive support should submit to the Commission a recovery and resilience plan that is duly reasoned and substantiated. The recovery and resilience plan should set out the detailed set of measures for its implementation, including targets and milestones, and the expected impact of

for the implementation of reforms and public investment projects through a coherent recovery and resilience plan. The recovery and resilience plan should be consistent with the relevant countryspecific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester, with the national reform programmes, the national energy and climate plans, the just transition plans, and the partnership agreements and operational programmes adopted under the Union funds. To boost actions that fall within the priorities of the European Green Deal and the Digital Agenda, the plan should also set out measures that are relevant for the green and digital transitions. Furthermore, the plan should set out measures in the areas of education and culture, which contribute considerably to economic and **social resilience.** The measures should enable a swift deliver of targets, objectives and contributions set out in national energy and climate plans and updates thereof. All supported activities should be pursued in full respect of the climate and environmental priorities of the Union.

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(21) In order to ensure the national ownership and a focus on relevant reforms and investments, Member States wishing to receive support should submit to the Commission a recovery and resilience plan that is duly reasoned and substantiated. The recovery and resilience plan should set out the detailed set of measures for its implementation, including targets and milestones, and the expected impact of

the recovery and resilience plan on growth potential, job creation and economic and social resilience; it should also include measures that are relevant for the green and the digital transitions; it should also include an explanation of the consistency of the proposed recovery and resilience plan with the relevant country-specific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester. Close cooperation between the Commission and the Member States should be sought and achieved throughout the process.

the recovery and resilience plan on sustainable and inclusive long-term growth potential, stimulating business environment, high-quality job creation and economic, territorial and social resilience; it should also include measures that are relevant for the sustainable green, digital and demographic transitions, health care resilient measures, convergence, stronger competitiveness, including recovery of tourism, creative industry and sports **sector**; it should also include an explanation of the consistency of the proposed recovery and resilience plan with the relevant country-specific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester. Close cooperation between the Commission and the Member States should be sought and achieved throughout the process.

Amendment 592 Csaba Molnár, Marek Belka, Eero Heinäluoma, Marc Angel

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The scope of application of the Recovery and Resilience Facility established by this Regulation shall refer to policy areas related to economic, social and territorial cohesion, the green and digital transitions, health, competitiveness, resilience, productivity, education and skills, research and innovation, smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, jobs and investment, and the stability of the financial systems.

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media pluralism and media freedom.

Amendment 593 Costas Mavrides, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Jonás Fernández

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Amendment 605

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creativity, education and skills, research and innovation, smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, jobs and investment, and the stability of the financial systems.

Amendment 861

Petra Kammerevert, Victor Negrescu, Jens Geier, Ibán García Del Blanco, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Marcos Ros Sempere, Hannes Heide, Łukasz Kohut, Massimiliano Smeriglio, Predrag Fred Matić, Lara Wolters, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Niklas Nienaß, Martina Michels

Proposal for a regulation Article 14 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The recovery and resilience plans shall be consistent with the relevant country-specific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester, in particular those relevant for or resulting from the green and digital transition. The recovery and resilience plans shall also be consistent with the information included by the Member States in the national reform programmes under the European Semester, in their national energy and climate plans and updates thereof under the Regulation $(EU)2018/1999^{21}$, in the territorial just transition plans under the Just Transition Fund²², and in the partnership agreements and operational programmes under the Union funds.

Amendment

2. The recovery and resilience plans shall be consistent with the relevant country-specific challenges and priorities identified in the context of the European Semester, in particular those relevant for or resulting from the green and digital transition. The recovery and resilience plans shall also take into consideration sectors and policy areas that usually receive little attention in the context of the European Semester, but that suffer considerably from the pandemic, such as education and culture. Therefore, each national recovery and resilience plan shall dedicate at least 2% of the overall budget to the cultural and creative sectors. Furthermore, 10% shall be dedicated for investments in quality and inclusive education. The recovery and resilience plans shall also be consistent with the information included by the Member States in the national reform programmes under the European Semester, in their national energy and climate plans and updates thereof under the Regulation (EU)2018/1999²¹, in the territorial just transition plans under the Just Transition Fund²², and in the partnership agreements and operational programmes under the Union funds.

²¹ Regulation (EU)2018/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action.

²² [...]

Or. en

²¹ Regulation (EU)2018/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action.

²² [...]

Amendment 864

Niklas Nienaß, Petra Kammerevert, Rasmus Andresen, Laurence Farreng, Tomasz Frankowski, Romeo Franz, Ibán García Del Blanco, Alexis Georgoulis, Hannes Heide, Irena Joveva, Niyazi Kizilyürek, Dace Melbārde, Domènec Ruiz Devesa, Andrey Slabakov, Sabine Verheyen, Salima Yenbou, Elżbieta Kruk

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under the Union funds.

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