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The role of Cohesion Policy in addressing multidimensional environmental challenges in the Mediterranean basin
(2022/2059(INI))

Amendment 1
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to Directive (EU) 2014/89 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 establishing a framework for maritime spatial planning,*

Or. en

Amendment 2
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to its resolution of 15 January 2020 on the European Green Deal,*

Or. en

Amendment 3
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 28

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the First Mediterranean Assessment Report on Climate and Environmental Change in the Mediterranean, released by the Mediterranean Experts on Climate and environmental Change (MedECC),

— having regard to the First Mediterranean Assessment Report on Climate and Environmental Change in the Mediterranean, released by the Mediterranean Experts on Climate and environmental Change (MedECC) *in 2020,*

Amendment 4
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to the 2022 UN Report “Dimensions and examples of the gender-differentiated impacts of climate change, the role of women as agents of change and opportunities for women”,*

Or. en

Amendment 5
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 29 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to the Convention for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Coastal Region of the Mediterranean (the Barcelona Convention), adopted on 16 February 1976 by the Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the Coastal States of the Mediterranean Region for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea,*

Or. en

Amendment 6
Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux

Motion for a resolution
Citation 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to the PETI Mission Report following the fact-finding visit to the Mar Menor (Murcia), Spain, of 23- 25 February 2022, in relation to the environmental deterioration of Mar Menor,*

Or. en

Amendment 7

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botos

Motion for a resolution

Citation 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— *having regard to the ECA Special report Climate spending in the 2014-2020 EU budget,*

Or. en

Amendment 8

Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas the Mediterranean basin, which consists of EU Member States, candidate and third countries, is the living environment of 250 million inhabitants, half of whom live in the European Union; whereas the strengthening of cooperation within and beyond the EU's borders is of the utmost importance to address **common** challenges **such as** pollution and climate change;

A. whereas the Mediterranean basin, which consists of EU Member States, candidate and third countries, is the living environment of 250 million inhabitants, half of whom live in the European Union; whereas the strengthening of cooperation within and beyond the EU's borders is of the utmost importance to address **socio-economic, migratory and security** challenges, **environmental deterioration**, pollution and climate change, **the**

proliferation of extreme weather events, water shortages, biodiversity loss and food insecurity;

Or. it

Amendment 9
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the Mediterranean basin, which consists of EU Member States, candidate and third countries, is the living environment of 250 million inhabitants, half of whom live in the European Union; whereas the strengthening of cooperation within and beyond the EU's borders is of the utmost importance to address common challenges such as pollution and climate change;

Amendment

A. whereas the Mediterranean basin, which consists of EU Member States, candidate and third countries, is the living environment of 250 million inhabitants, ***with 1/3 of the population concentrated in coastal areas and*** half of whom live in the European Union; whereas the strengthening of cooperation within and beyond the EU's borders is of the utmost importance to address common challenges such as pollution and climate change;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Aa. whereas the EU committed to spending at least 20 % of the 2014-2020 MFF on climate action, declaring having spent €216 billion (20.1%) on climate-relevant measures; whereas the 2021-2027 EU budget includes an increased target of 30% on climate action;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas the Mediterranean basin is a cohesive geographical area whose inhabitants share a common historical, cultural and environmental heritage;

Or. it

Amendment 12
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas cohesion policy is a crucial tool in delivering a fair transition to a climate-neutral economy that leaves no one behind;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Recital B b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Bb. whereas sustainability should be seen as a balanced approach to bringing sustainable growth, social progress and environment together;

Amendment 14

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the Mediterranean is a semi-enclosed sea with a very slow exchange of its waters, a rich biodiversity and a high proportion of endemic species;

Amendment

C. whereas the Mediterranean is a semi-enclosed sea with a very slow exchange of its waters, a rich biodiversity and a high proportion of endemic species; ***whereas there have been changes in water temperatures in recent years, with these increasing significantly in the Mediterranean, which is impacting strongly on fish stocks and on the health of the seas;***

Or. it

Amendment 15

François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ca. whereas the Mediterranean Sea is one of the most overfished basins in the world and there are still significant concerns for illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing;

Or. en

Amendment 16

François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas water resources in the Mediterranean are more and more scarce, arising conflicts from different sectors of water use (agriculture, tourism, industry, people, also biodiversity conservation);

Or. en

Amendment 17

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas the density of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

E. whereas the density of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world; ***whereas several EU funded programmes have greatly contributed to reducing waste in the Mediterranean such as H2020 Initiative for a Cleaner Mediterranean, as well as actions in the framework of the Union for the Mediterranean;***

Or. en

Amendment 18

François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world, ***in particular, the damaging impact of estimated 730 tonnes of plastic waste that are dumped every day in the Basin and of the municipal solid waste generation that has been increasing across the whole region since 2014;***

Or. en

Amendment 19
Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas the density of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

Amendment

E. whereas the density of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world, ***and could move it further up the ranking unless ambitious measures are taken;***

Or. ro

Amendment 20
Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

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waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

waste from rivers and urban areas, ***primarily in third countries***, make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

Or. it

Amendment 21

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș, Ondřej Knotek

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas the ***density*** of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

Amendment

E. whereas the ***quantity*** of waste has more than doubled in thirty years; whereas the improper management and treatment of waste from rivers and urban areas make the Mediterranean the area with the sixth largest accumulation of marine litter in the world;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport, which carries 20 % of the world's trade through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of ***intentional*** hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities and intensive farming result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and contribute, along with offshore oil and gas refineries, to worsening sea pollution in

Amendment

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport ***in the Mediterranean***, which carries 20 % of the world's trade ***in an area which makes up only 1% of the world's ocean, which*** through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities and intensive farming result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and contribute, along with

the whole basin;

offshore oil and gas refineries, to
worsening sea pollution in the whole basin;

Or. en

Amendment 23

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport, which carries 20 % of the world's trade through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of intentional hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities and intensive farming result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and contribute, along with offshore oil and gas refineries, to worsening sea pollution in the whole basin;

Amendment

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport, which carries 20 % of the world's trade through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of intentional hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities and intensive farming **may** result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and **may** contribute, along with offshore oil and gas refineries, to worsening sea pollution in the whole basin;

Or. en

Amendment 24

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport, which carries 20 % of the world's trade through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of intentional hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities **and intensive farming** result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and contribute, along with offshore oil and gas refineries, to worsening sea pollution in

Amendment

F. whereas the impact of maritime transport, which carries 20 % of the world's trade through the Mediterranean, generates between 100 000 and 200 000 tonnes per year of intentional hydrocarbon discharges; whereas industrial activities **could** result in run-off into rivers and contamination of groundwater, and contribute, along with offshore oil and gas refineries, to worsening sea pollution in the

the whole basin;

whole basin;

Or. ro

Amendment 25
Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Fa. whereas maritime transport is an essential link in the supply chain and plays an important economic and commercial role at European and global level, necessitating a transition to greater sustainability;

Or. ro

Amendment 26
Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas Mediterranean marine mammal numbers have declined by 41 % over the last 50 years and ***around 80 % of*** fish stocks are ***suffering from overfishing***; whereas the objective of sustainable fishing is achievable, provided that Member States have the political will;

G. whereas Mediterranean marine mammal numbers have declined by 41 % over the last 50 years and ***various*** fish stocks are ***subject to management and reconstitution plans***; whereas the objective of sustainable fishing is achievable, provided that Member States have the political will;

Or. it

Amendment 27
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels and requires the other countries of the Mediterranean area to contribute through increased cooperation;

Amendment

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated *specifically regarding precipitation and the hydrological cycle, but also mean warming and heat extremes (in both the terrestrial and marine environment), sea level rise and sea water acidification, as described in the 2020 MedECC report*; whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels and requires the other countries of the Mediterranean area to contribute through increased cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution
Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels *and* requires *the other countries* of the *Mediterranean area to contribute through* increased cooperation;

Amendment

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels *which* requires *prioritization* of the *deployment of energy efficiency solutions and* increased cooperation *on energy projects with the other countries along the coasts of the Mediterranean by using the region's untapped potential for helping the EU to*

reach its energy as well as climate targets;

Or. en

Amendment 29

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas ***meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels and requires the other countries of the Mediterranean area to contribute through increased cooperation;***

Amendment

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas ***measures must be taken to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change;***

Or. it

Amendment 30

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels and requires the other countries of the Mediterranean area to contribute through

Amendment

H. whereas the Mediterranean basin is warming 20 % faster than the global average; whereas global warming will cause severe consequences that must be anticipated; ***whereas sea levels could rise up to 25 cm by 2040–2050;*** whereas meeting the Paris Agreement limit of 1.5 °C of warming calls for a halving of the EU's energy demand by 2050 compared to 2015 levels and requires the other countries of the Mediterranean area to contribute

increased cooperation;

through increased cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 31
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Recital H a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ha. *whereas, the Mediterranean is more exposed to climate change than other regional seas, and its coastal zones face heightened disaster risks, including flooding and erosion, and the salinization of river deltas and aquifers, which endanger food security and livelihoods;*

Or. en

Amendment 32
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Recital I

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

I. whereas several territorial cooperation initiatives have been developed over the years in the Mediterranean, such as the Union for the Mediterranean, the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR), the ***WestMED*** initiative, ***the European Neighbourhood Instrument Cross-Border Cooperation (ENI CBC) programme, and the NEXT MED, EUROMED, ADRION and MARITTIMO Interreg programmes;***

I. whereas several ***transnational and*** territorial cooperation ***frameworks and*** initiatives have been developed over the years in the Mediterranean, such as the Union for the Mediterranean, the ***Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly of the European Committee of the Regions (ARLEM)***, the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR), the ***EU Initiative for the Western Mediterranean (WestMED)***, ***INTERREG and ENI CBC programmes (e.g. MED, EURO-MED, ENICBC Med, Next-MED, ADRION, MARITTIMO)***, ***the Mediterranean***

Cooperation Alliance (MedCoopAlliance), the networks of Regions and Local administrations (CPMR and its Intermediterranean Commission, MedCities, Latin Arc), and Euro-regions (Adriatic-Ionian, Pyrenean-Mediterranean);

Or. en

Amendment 33
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas macro-regions play a key role in strengthening the economic, social, and territorial cohesion of the European Union and its close neighbourhood by empowering cross-border areas to address specific and shared challenges collectively, through exchange and cooperation and implementation, contributing to increased policy effectiveness and impact;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas the Mediterranean forms a border between Europe and Africa, necessitating closer cooperation with Mediterranean partners to combat illegal migration flows, for example;

Amendment 35
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Recital I a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ia. whereas with the new Interreg Regulation for 2021-2027, border regions now have a clear financial support framework to set up joint environmental initiatives and mitigate the effects of climate change;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Recital I b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ib. whereas there is a need for Mediterranean territories to finally have an operational instrument, such as a macro regional strategy, enabling them to develop and implement a concrete action plan and joint projects in response to common priorities identified in existing frameworks such as the UfM, ARLEM, etc.;

Or. en

Amendment 37
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution

Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas Member States should apply an ecosystem-based approach to Maritime Spatial Planning, consistently with the EU Green Deal climate and biodiversity goals;

Amendment

J. whereas Member States should apply an ecosystem-based approach to Maritime Spatial Planning, ***including a robust Strategic Environmental Assessment that considers the cumulative impacts of all maritime activities, climate change, the precautionary principle, sensitivity mapping, active stakeholder engagement***, consistently with the EU Green Deal climate and biodiversity goals;

Or. en

Amendment 38 François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution Recital J a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ja. whereas, as highlighted by several reports the adverse effects of climate change are often felt more keenly by women than men as a result of systemic gender discrimination and societal expectations related to gender roles;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Niyazi Kizilyürek

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face

Amendment

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face

of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the area;

of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the area; ***stresses the importance of direct and diversified cooperation, for regional peace, especially in Eastern Mediterranean;***

Or. en

Amendment 40

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the area;

Amendment

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the area, ***starting with relations with the countries bordering the Mediterranean, which should adopt joint measures to protect ecosystems;***

Or. it

Amendment 41 Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. ***Recalls*** that the Union ***is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and*** cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the ***area;***

Amendment

1. ***Believes*** that the Union cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the ***Mediterranean basin;***

Or. en

Amendment 42
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic and environmental challenges confronting the area;

Amendment

1. Recalls that the Union is responsible for half of the Mediterranean basin and cannot remain passive in the face of the multiple political, social, economic, **demographic** and environmental challenges confronting the area;

Or. it

Amendment 43
Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

1a. Recalls that while energy efficiency delivers a large contribution to bringing down CO₂ emissions, demand for electricity is likely to increase substantially in light of the envisaged electrification of the heating, traffic and industrial sectors; considers that it is highly uncertain whether higher demand for green energy can be supplied from within the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. *Notes that the Mediterranean basin has been hit by an ever-increasing number of extreme weather events and natural disasters in recent years;*

Or. it

Amendment 45

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Deplores the continuous degradation of the environment in the entire Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution;

2. Deplores the continuous degradation of the environment in the entire Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution, ***which has been caused by multiple factors;***

Or. it

Amendment 46

Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. ***Deplores*** the continuous degradation of the environment in the entire Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution;

2. ***Notes*** the continuous degradation of the environment in the entire Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Deplores the continuous degradation of the environment in the *entire* Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution;

Amendment

2. Deplores the continuous degradation of the environment in the Mediterranean basin, the loss of biodiversity and the increasing air and marine pollution;

Or. en

Amendment 48

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Calls for the more effective and coordinated use of existing funding instruments to meet the challenges arising in the Mediterranean basin, such as measures to improve marine biodiversity and the restoration and protection of marine habitats and species;

Or. ro

Amendment 49

Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Stresses that cohesion policy has an under-used potential for action to provide appropriate responses to the challenges

Amendment

3. Stresses that cohesion policy has an under-used potential for action to provide appropriate responses to the challenges

facing 110 million Europeans;

facing 110 million Europeans; ***believes that the measures provided for under cohesion policy must be coordinated and complementary to measures under the EMFF, the NRRP and other national policies;***

Or. it

Amendment 50
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Is concerned about the increasing pollution by plastic and domestic waste and calls for a historic effort to limit and manage them by promoting the circular economy;

Amendment

4. Is concerned about the increasing pollution by plastic and domestic waste and calls for a historic effort to limit and manage them by promoting the circular economy; ***calls on the creation of a pilot project on zero marine pollution in the Mediterranean, thus testing the core principles of a Mediterranean macro-regional strategy around a concrete objective;***

Or. en

Amendment 51
Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. ***Is concerned about the increasing pollution by plastic and domestic waste and calls for a historic effort to limit and manage them by promoting the circular economy;***

Amendment

4. ***Stresses the role of the circular economy in relation to the waste management and considers that a historic effort is needed to limit and manage plastic and domestic waste by the means of the circular economy, in particularly on island territories where space and***

resources are limited to store and process waste;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Niyazi Kizilyürek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Is concerned about the **increasing** pollution by plastic and domestic waste **and** calls for a historic effort to limit and manage them by promoting the circular economy;

Amendment

4. Is concerned about the **extreme urbanization in some cities in the Mediterranean basin, as well as the increased** pollution by plastic and domestic waste; calls for a historic effort to limit and manage them by promoting the circular economy;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Chiara Gemma

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

4a. Points out that water security is one of the key factors in the well-being of the Mediterranean; emphasises that in the Mediterranean eutrophication seems mainly to be limited to specific adjacent coastal and open sea areas; believes that sustainable water security measures call for integrated approaches that include water saving technologies such as new agricultural and domestic irrigation equipment, integrated via increased water efficiency, multi-scale storage systems and the use of non-conventional water sources deriving from waste-water recharge or

Amendment

salt water desalination; calls for a more sustainable approach to be taken to adapting Mediterranean agriculture to the scarcity of water, bearing in mind its impact on the water ecosystem;

Or. it

Amendment 54

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Calls on Managing Authorities to use Cohesion Funds to invest in technologies and infrastructure to recover materials from residual waste for circular economy purposes in cities and urban nodes on the coast and on rivers flowing into the Mediterranean Sea, in order to reduce the discharge of waste into the sea;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Notes that the European shores of the Mediterranean suffer from degraded environmental standards compared to the shores of Northern Europe (especially in port cities that do not benefit from the protection of emission control areas to reduce airborne emissions);

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 56

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Notes that the European shores of the Mediterranean *suffer from degraded environmental standards compared to the shores of Northern Europe (especially in port cities that do not benefit from the protection of emission control areas to reduce airborne emissions)*;

Amendment

5. Notes that the European shores of the Mediterranean *are naturally interconnected with the shores of non-EU countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea and must contribute to its protection*;

Or. it

Amendment 57

Niyazi Kizilyürek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Notes that the European shores of the Mediterranean suffer from degraded environmental standards compared to the shores of Northern Europe (especially in port cities that do not benefit from the protection of emission control areas to reduce airborne emissions);

Amendment

5. Notes *with concern*, that the European shores of the Mediterranean suffer from degraded environmental standards compared to the shores of Northern Europe (especially in port cities that do not benefit from the protection of emission control areas to reduce airborne emissions);

Or. en

Amendment 58

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Considers that environmental problems are cross-cutting and complex, such that each entity, region or state acting alone can only provide partial solutions, and that it is necessary to broaden the common approach to embrace the whole Mediterranean area;

Amendment

6. Considers that environmental problems are cross-cutting and complex, such that each entity, region or state acting alone can only provide partial solutions, and that it is necessary to broaden the common approach, ***including by involving third countries***, to embrace the whole Mediterranean area;

Or. it

Amendment 59
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Considers that environmental problems are cross-cutting and complex, such that each entity, region or state acting alone can only provide partial solutions, and that it is necessary to broaden ***the*** common approach to embrace the whole Mediterranean area;

Amendment

6. Considers that environmental problems are cross-cutting and complex, such that each entity, region or state acting alone can only provide partial solutions, and that it is necessary to broaden ***an integrated and*** common approach to embrace the whole Mediterranean area;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Chiara Gemma

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

6a. Considers it essential to establish a system of up-to-date information on investments made in the Mediterranean area in order to monitor the environmental effectiveness of the funding involved;

Amendment

Amendment 61
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Considers that a dynamic of cooperation set in motion by the Union and its Member States and Regions can have a knock-on effect on the whole basin;

Amendment

7. Considers that a dynamic of cooperation set in motion by the Union and its Member States and Regions can have a knock-on effect on the whole basin; ***recalls that direct and shared management programmes as European Territorial Cooperation ones represent a major opportunity to facilitate an alignment of objectives, funds and projects;***

Or. en

Amendment 62
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Considers that a dynamic of cooperation set in motion by the Union and its Member States and Regions can have a knock-on effect on the whole basin;

Amendment

7. Considers that a dynamic of cooperation set in motion by the Union and its Member States and Regions, ***and with the opposite African coastal area,*** can have a knock-on effect on the whole basin;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Takes note that expenditure for the EU's southern and eastern neighbourhoods has been increased by EUR 280 million in the 2023 budget and calls for this financial envelope to be used, inter alia, to support ambitious environmental actions in the Mediterranean;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions **for the development of renewable energy sources and for** a just and inclusive ecological transition;

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions **to contribute to the fundamental transformation towards the most carbon-free economy possible in the years ahead and** a just and inclusive ecological transition, **in particular by developing and expanding renewable energies, increasing interconnection of energy markets and by cooperating on the production and transportation of renewable hydrogen;**

Or. en

Amendment 65
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Highlights the potential of all the

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Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition;

Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition; *feels that it would be worthwhile, in order to ensure energy autonomy and security, for the European Union to work towards making the Mediterranean basin a European-level energy hub;*

Or. it

Amendment 66

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș, Ondřej Knotek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition;

Amendment

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions for the development of *onshore and offshore* renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition;

Amendment

8. Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources and for a just and inclusive ecological transition, *by way of example;*

Or. ro

Amendment 68

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Underlines that SMEs can contribute to finding innovative solutions not only for the deployment of renewable energies, circular and blue economy; considers that further simplification should be promoted to ensure that SMEs across all European regions access Cohesion Funds;

Or. en

Amendment 69

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Draws attention to the water temperature increases in the Mediterranean Sea and to the need to take steps to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change;

Or. it

Amendment 70

Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Highlights that the promotion of cross-border cooperation between

countries and neighbouring regions can crucially contribute to a sustainable future for the Mediterranean maritime basins;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8b. *Highlights that digital innovation if rightly used, can provide important tools for tackling environmental and climate change, and provide responses to particular challenges facing the Mediterranean basin; underlines the need to support the development of digital solutions for climate prevention, such as the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions through digital resource efficiency and smart innovation, but also for climate adaptation; highlights the need to develop digital warning tools to reduce the negative effects of natural disasters, such as floods, mudslides, heat waves and forest fires;*

Or. en

Amendment 72
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8c. *Highlights the potential of all the Mediterranean regions for the development of renewable energy sources*

and for a just and inclusive ecological transition which can act as a driver for social and economic innovations, while facilitating transfer of know-how and the creation of jobs;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8d. *Underlines the key role of local and regional authorities in achieving a fair transition to a climate-neutral economy for all, with social, economic and territorial cohesion at its core, and calls for increased employment of green and blue investment and innovation under the cohesion policy;*

Or. en

Amendment 74
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8e. *Notes that the deployment of offshore technologies for electricity generation in the Mediterranean to date has been relatively slow, partly due to natural constraints, while onshore wind and solar PV are more widely spread across the Mediterranean; calls for further research, development, and innovation (RDI) investments in promising technologies adapted to local*

conditions, as for example floating offshore wind technology;

Or. en

Amendment 75

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that overfishing *is still* a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Amendment

9. Recalls that overfishing *remains* a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs; *calls on the Commission to continue to monitor data on stocks and to carry out impact assessments before taking decisions aimed at limiting fishing quotas;*

Or. en

Amendment 76

Niyazi Kizilyürek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that overfishing *is still* a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy *can* support sustainable and inclusive development *and* quality jobs;

Amendment

9. Recalls that overfishing *and destructive fishing practices (such as bottom trawling) are* a threat to the survival of many species; *is alarmed widespread illegal bottom trawling inside Mediterranean marine protected areas shown in recent data^{1a}*; is convinced that the development of a blue economy *must* support sustainable and inclusive development, *as well as* quality jobs *with fully secured social and*

employment rights;

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<https://news.mongabay.com/2022/11/illegal-bottom-trawling-widespread-inside-mediterranean-marine-protected-areas/>

Or. en

Amendment 77
Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that overfishing *is still a threat to the survival of many species*; is convinced that the *development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs*;

Amendment

9. Recalls that *pollution, overfishing and habitat destruction, in conjunction with the adverse effects of climate change, threaten the rich marine biodiversity*; is convinced that the *transition to a sustainable blue economy in the Mediterranean region will contribute to tackling environmental challenges, thus preserving the health of the sea basin and maintaining economic prosperity*;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that overfishing is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Amendment

9. Recalls that overfishing is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can foster sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs, *with the direct involvement of fisheries*

sector operators and the representatives of coastal communities;

Or. it

Amendment 79
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that overfishing is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Amendment

9. Recalls that overfishing is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a **sustainable** blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Recalls that **overfishing** is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Amendment

9. Recalls that **IUU fishing** is still a threat to the survival of many species; is convinced that the development of a blue economy can support sustainable and inclusive development and quality jobs;

Or. it

Amendment 81
Chiara Gemma

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. *Expresses concern at the invasion of the Mediterranean by alien species which can have serious impacts with serious repercussions for water ecosystems, which are being further exacerbated by the increase in sea water temperatures; stresses that the impact of climate change, rising sea levels and heatwave shocks are piling additional pressure on an already seriously affected ecosystem; calls for a holistic approach and ecosystem-based management to be urgently adopted to address these pressures and impacts, in order to ensure a properly-functioning marine and coastal ecosystem owing to its natural capital and in the interests of developing a sustainable blue economy;*

Or. it

Amendment 82
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Draws attention to the increasing density of maritime traffic and the danger of oil spills;

Amendment

10. Draws attention to the increasing density of maritime traffic and the danger of oil spills ***and the risks these activities present for marine ecosystems and particularly sea mammals;***

Or. en

Amendment 83
Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

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Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and *its* uncontrolled development (such as *cruises, new polluting leisure activities*);

Amendment

11. Draws attention to the *negative* impacts caused by *mass* tourism due to its seasonality and uncontrolled *urban* development; *considers that seasonal tourism can lead to seasonal vulnerabilities* such as *differences in financial resources between the high and low tourist seasons; highlights, therefore, the need to diversify the economy of these areas by strengthening their secondary sectors in order to achieve a good balance and a diverse labour market; calls on the Member States and Regions to devise sustainable tourism action plans in consultation with stakeholders and civil society and in line with a future European roadmap for sustainable tourism, and to make full use of the Next Generation EU funds and Structural Funds to finance the tourism transition action plans;*

Or. en

Amendment 84
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities);

Amendment

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism due *to its* seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities) *and that the development of tourism, in particular on certain Mediterranean islands, is further increasing the anthropogenic pressure on biodiversity;*

Or. en

Amendment 85
Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities);

Amendment

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities); ***stresses the importance of promoting a responsible approach to tourism, given its economic importance for the region;***

Or. ro

Amendment 86
Niyazi Kizilyürek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to ***the*** impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities);

Amendment

11. Draws attention to ***both the environmental and the social*** impacts caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities, ***precarious seasonal work, increasing housing prices***);

Or. en

Amendment 87
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to the impacts

Amendment

11. Draws attention to the impacts

caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities);

caused by tourism due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, **worsening coastal erosion**, new polluting leisure activities);

Or. en

Amendment 88

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism ***due to its seasonality and its uncontrolled development (such as cruises, new polluting leisure activities)***;

Amendment

11. Draws attention to the impacts caused by tourism ***when this is not managed sustainably and there is uncontrolled development***;

Or. it

Amendment 89

Daniel Buda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Points out that the island territories face economic imbalances linked to the handicaps of insularity, which must be addressed with concrete actions as required by Article 174 of the TFEU;

Amendment

12. Points out that the island territories face economic imbalances linked to the handicaps of insularity, which must be addressed with concrete actions as required by Article 174 of the TFEU, ***as well as economic, administrative, cultural and social divergences***;

Or. ro

Amendment 90

François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Stresses that women's economic participation continues to represent an important challenge for gender equality in the Mediterranean basin, with uneven employment rates and inclusion in the decision-making processes among the countries of the whole region; recalls that empowering women and creating the pre-conditions for inclusive participation in public and private economic and social entities could lead to achieve the objectives of mitigation and adaptation to climate change;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Urges Member States to invest Cohesion Funds in remedying ecological disasters that have taken place in the Mediterranean such as the one occurred in El Mar Menor; calls on Member States and the Commission to monitor areas in danger of becoming an ecological disaster and mitigate the impact with Cohesion funds;

Or. en

Amendment 92
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12b. *Considers that the development of a cooperation approach at the level of the whole basin will be favourable to better secure and manage the migration phenomena and will therefore contribute to put an end to the humanitarian disasters that are taking place in the Mediterranean;*

Or. en

Amendment 93

Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Considers that the Mediterranean area shares a unique historical and cultural heritage and a Mediterranean climate resulting in similar environmental characteristics, and that it faces similar risks of natural disasters such as fires, floods, earthquakes, drought and increasing scarcity of water resources;

13. Considers that the Mediterranean area shares a unique historical and cultural heritage and a Mediterranean climate resulting in similar environmental characteristics, and that it faces similar risks of natural disasters such as fires, floods, earthquakes, drought and increasing scarcity of water resources; ***in this respect, invites the Commission to study the possibility of adapting the EU civil protection mechanism and the EU solidarity fund to the Mediterranean basin;***

Or. en

Amendment 94

Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. *Emphasises that despite having many common features, the Mediterranean area is characterised by a range of disparities in levels of development, and notes that these disparities, including shortfalls in institutional and administrative capacities, infrastructure interconnections and trade relations, affect the stability, prosperity and security of the whole area;*

Or. it

Amendment 95

Susana Solís Pérez, Stéphane Bijoux, Vlad-Marius Botoș

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. *Calls on Member States to adopt measures to mitigate the effects of heatwaves and droughts in coastal areas, which are expected to become more frequent in the context of climate change and which threaten human life and biodiversity; calls on the Commission to put forward a proposal for a strengthened Solidarity Fund;*

Or. en

Amendment 96

Rosanna Conte, Alessandro Panza, Elena Lizzi, Matteo Adinolfi, Stefania Zambelli

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Welcomes the *WestMed sea basin strategy in the Western Mediterranean*

14. Welcomes the Interreg programmes such as MARITTIMO, as good examples

and Interreg programmes such as MARITTIMO, as good examples of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

Or. it

Amendment 97
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Welcomes the WestMed sea basin **strategy** in the Western Mediterranean and Interreg programmes such as MARITTIMO, as good examples of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

Amendment

14. Welcomes the WestMed sea basin **Initiative** in the Western Mediterranean and Interreg programmes such as **Interreg Mediterranean, ADRION, or MARITTIMO**, as good examples of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Welcomes the WestMed sea basin strategy in the Western Mediterranean and Interreg programmes such as MARITTIMO, as good examples of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

Amendment

14. Welcomes the WestMed sea basin strategy in the Western Mediterranean and Interreg programmes such as MARITTIMO **and NEXT MED**, as good examples of direct and diversified cooperation, including at regional level, with shared objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Stéphane Bijoux

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Calls on the Commission to support, particularly by means of Interreg programmes, networks of marine protected areas in the Mediterranean along similar lines as the MedPAN network, with a view to fostering cooperation and the sharing of solutions with a view to instituting a sustainable blue economy and the more effective safeguarding of marine biodiversity, and to work on the project to create a 'Blue Belt', namely a global network of marine protected areas that would also include, in particular, the outermost regions and the overseas countries and territories;

Or. fr

Amendment 100
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Welcomes the efforts of the European Union in the context of the Union for the Mediterranean, promoting the Euro-Mediterranean integration;

Or. en

Amendment 101
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14b. Welcomes the fruitful relations with Tunisia, Morocco and other southern partners of the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP), which represents a good example of direct and diversified cooperation and partnership with shared objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Andrea Cozzolino

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14c. Welcomes the cooperation of the European Union with the African Union and other international regional organizations, which operate in the Maghreb and Mashreq;

Or. en

Amendment 103
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Welcomes the progress of the Adriatic-Ionian macro-regional strategy (EUSAIR) which has mobilised the member countries and their regions, third countries and their local authorities;

15. Welcomes the progress of the Adriatic-Ionian macro-regional strategy (EUSAIR) which has mobilised the member countries and their regions, third countries and their local authorities;

considers EUSAIR a successful example where the Union proved to be a driving force and a vector of openness; maintains that these same principles and a similar common approach must be applied to the other areas of the Mediterranean;

considers EUSAIR a successful example where the Union proved to be a driving force and a vector of openness; maintains that these same principles and a similar common approach must be applied to the other areas of the Mediterranean; ***considers that such a macro-regional strategy can amplify and accelerate the policies necessary for the development and preservation of the available resources through the cooperation of all involved actors;***

Or. en

Amendment 104
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes the progress of the Adriatic-Ionian macro-regional strategy (EUSAIR) which has mobilised the member countries and their regions, third countries and their local authorities; considers EUSAIR a successful example where the Union proved to be a driving force and a vector of openness; maintains that these same principles and a similar common approach must be applied to the other areas of the Mediterranean;

Amendment

15. Welcomes the progress of the Adriatic-Ionian macro-regional strategy (EUSAIR) which has mobilised the Member countries and their Regions, Third countries and their Local authorities; considers EUSAIR a successful example where the Union proved to be a driving force and a vector of openness, ***benefitting from the ADRION transnational programme which aligned objectives support the fulfilment of the strategy's roadmap;*** maintains that these same principles and a similar common approach must be applied to the other areas of the Mediterranean;

Or. en

Amendment 105
Chiara Gemma

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Calls on the Commission to promote the digital transformation and the use of new technologies in the fields of environmental monitoring, reporting and assessment, as well as for governance issues;

Or. it

Amendment 106

Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned calls for the implementation of three distinct but coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions in their governance;

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Or. en

Amendment 107

Chiara Gemma

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned calls for the implementation of three distinct but

16. Considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned calls for the implementation of three distinct but

coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions in their governance;

coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions in their governance; **welcomes the ambitious commitments made by the Mediterranean countries; considers it essential, however, that political commitment be translated to the operational level by updating environmental legislation in line with the strategies envisaged; calls both for the involvement of the competent authorities in governance mechanisms, and for the inclusion in these of other major players such as civil society, industries and training and research institutions;**

Or. it

Amendment 108
Denis Nesci

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned calls for the implementation of three distinct but coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions in their governance;

Amendment

16. Considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned calls for the implementation of three distinct but coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions **and of local authorities** in their governance;

Or. it

Amendment 109
Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Calls on the Commission to provide support for a macro-regional strategy in the Mediterranean taking account of its ‘new agenda for the Mediterranean’, in particular its point five on the ‘ecological transition, climate resilience, energy and the environment’;

Amendment

17. Calls on the Commission to provide support for a macro-regional strategy in the Mediterranean taking account of its ‘new agenda for the Mediterranean’, in particular its point five on the ‘ecological transition, climate resilience, energy and the environment’; ***considers that the diversity and the size of the territory concerned require, in addition, the implementation of three distinct but coordinated strategies, namely strategies for the Western Mediterranean, the Adriatic and Ionian Seas, and the Eastern Mediterranean; calls for the support of the countries and authorities concerned and for a central role of regions in their governance;***

Or. en

Amendment 110
François Alfonsi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Calls on the Commission to provide support for a macro-regional strategy in the Mediterranean taking account of its ‘new agenda for the Mediterranean’, in particular its point five on the ‘ecological transition, climate resilience, energy and the environment’;

Amendment

17. Calls on the Commission to provide support for a macro-regional strategy in the Mediterranean taking account of its ‘new agenda for the Mediterranean’, in particular its point five on the ‘ecological transition, climate resilience, energy and the environment’; ***considers that a Macro-regional strategy for the Mediterranean, which would entail a substantial and active involvement of the concerned regional and local authorities, has a remarkable potential in addressing the multidimensional environmental***

challenges of the whole basin;

Or. en

Amendment 111

Nora Mebarek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Considers that this macro-regional strategy must be based on a solid and representative multi-level governance scheme involving regional and local authorities; believes that such a strategy could be used more specifically to encourage circular economy projects, fight plastic pollution, protect biodiversity, strengthen relations with third countries regarding IUU fishing, contribute to resolving use conflicts through proper maritime spatial planning, preserve the socio-economic contribution of fisheries to the well-being of coastal communities, in particular in islands, support the diversification of fishermen's activities, including retraining and conversion, promote stock management measures throughout the Mediterranean basin, and encourage third countries to implement MPAs in their territorial waters;

Or. en

Amendment 112

Pascal Arimont

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Calls on the Commission to take into account the interlinkages between environmental policies and the need for a sustainable economic development where a careful balance needs to be struck between the environmental objectives and the preservation of the economic competitiveness;

Or. en

Amendment 113

Nora Mebarek

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17b. Calls on the European Council to refer the matter to the European Commission to draw up a Mediterranean macro-regional strategy, with a view to its approval under the Spanish Presidency in 2023;

Or. en

Amendment 114

Nora Mebarek

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17c. Points out that a large amount of funding can be mobilised through the EU budget to support Mediterranean projects, with NDICI, ETC, Horizon Europe, LIFE or Erasmus programmes which are also open to third countries;

Or. en

