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**RENEWED EUROPEAN AGENDA FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION –
EUROPE'S CHANCE TO SHAPE ITS FUTURE**

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AMENDMENT 1

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Point 2

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
stresses that local and regional authorities are key players in the creation of effective research and innovation ecosystems , for example in the development of smart specialisation strategies (S3s). It is important for the new agenda, as well as programmes supporting research and innovation, to highlight the public sector and its role not just as recipients of research and innovation but also as R&I stakeholders that themselves undertake such activities;	stresses that local and regional authorities are key players in the creation of effective regional ecosystems and innovation hubs , for example in the development of regional smart specialisation strategies (RIS3s). It is important for the new agenda, as well as programmes supporting research and innovation, to highlight the public sector and its role not just as recipients of research and innovation but also as R&I stakeholders that themselves undertake such activities;

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Point 3

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
highlights the need for broader definitions and understandings of research and innovation ecosystems that explicitly acknowledge and include national, local and regional authorities, business, the non-state public sector, universities and higher education institutions, civil society and the not-for-profit sector, the public and end-users of research and innovation, in order to gain a real understanding of these location-specific, integrated and embedded ecosystems;	highlights the need for broader definitions and understandings of regional ecosystems and innovation hubs, including in establishing the network of European Digital Innovation hubs , that explicitly acknowledge and include national, local and regional authorities, business, the non-state public sector, universities and higher education institutions, civil society and the not-for-profit sector, the public and end-users of research and innovation, in order to gain a real understanding of these location-specific, integrated and embedded ecosystems;

Reason
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Point 4

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
points out that there is a direct correlation between less developed regions and low rates of investment in innovation and research. <i>Infrastructure therefore</i> needs to be <i>distributed equally</i> , directing part of the <i>resources and investments earmarked for research and innovation</i> towards EU regions with greater development needs and regions with serious and permanent natural or demographic handicaps, such as island, cross-border and mountain regions;	points out that there is a direct correlation between less developed regions and low rates of investment in innovation and research. <i>As R&I outcomes are inextricably linked to research infrastructure, this</i> needs to be <i>boosted</i> , directing part of <i>EU funds, such as the Structural Funds or Horizon Europe</i> , towards EU regions with greater development needs and regions with serious and permanent natural or demographic handicaps, such as island, cross-border and mountain regions;

Reason
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GAMALLO ALLER Jesús

HERRERA CAMPO Juan Vicente

MARTÍNEZ SUÁREZ Guillermo

Amend as follows:

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points out that there is a direct correlation between less developed regions and low rates of investment in innovation and research. Infrastructure therefore needs to be distributed equally, directing part of the resources and investments earmarked for research and innovation towards EU regions with greater development needs and regions with serious and permanent natural or demographic handicaps, such as island, cross-border and mountain regions;	points out that there is a direct correlation between less developed regions and low rates of investment in innovation and research. Infrastructure therefore needs to be distributed equally, directing part of the resources and investments earmarked for research and innovation towards EU regions with greater socioeconomic development needs owing to unemployment and regions with serious and permanent natural or demographic handicaps, such as island, cross-border and mountain regions;

Reason
Unemployment, and specifically youth unemployment, is one of the most significant handicaps for the regions it affects; moreover, it is caused in part by lack of investment in research and innovation infrastructure.

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Reason
Article 349 TFEU recognises the situation of the outermost regions and the need to pay them particular attention through specific measures or adjustments to the general framework. The situation of the outermost regions is complex and typified by a number of disadvantages compared with mainland regions.

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AZEVEDO João

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CLAVIJO BATLLE Fernando

DA CUNHA COSTA José

HORTA Basílio

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Reason
The situation of the outermost regions is unique in the European context, as acknowledged by primary EU law in Article 349 TFEU. Thus, since investment in research enhances development in the outermost regions, an explicit reference to these regions is necessary.

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Point 4

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>Urges for the inclusion in the legislative texts that will finally be adopted of a precise definition of regional ecosystems and innovation hubs allowing these ecosystems to be effectively taken into account in the implementation of all strands of the future Framework Programme.</i>

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
believes that innovation is a key factor in growth and sustainable development, and that future EU research and innovation funding needs to cover the entire R&I process in a balanced way, from basic research to <i>needs-driven</i> research, development and innovation, as well as dissemination and exploitation of the results;	believes that innovation is a key factor in growth and sustainable development, and that future EU research and innovation funding needs to cover the entire R&I process in a balanced way, from basic research to research, development and innovation <i>that are driven by needs identified in advance by agreement between different players in the system</i> , as well as dissemination and exploitation of the results;

Reason
Setting priorities by agreement between all social and economic operators must be the key to effectively targeting research and innovation funding towards objectives that have the biggest impact on growth and job creation.

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Point 6

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
believes that State aid rules need to be further simplified so as to make it easier to combine different EU programmes, which is essential in order to overcome regional disparities in participation and opportunities to undertake successful research and innovation work;	believes that State aid rules need to be further simplified so as to make it easier to combine different EU programmes, which is essential in order to overcome regional disparities in participation and opportunities to undertake successful research and innovation work; <i>considers in this context that programmes or actions co-financed by different funds, and based on the tools and modalities of the Framework Programme, must be able to be implemented under the legal framework of the Framework Programme;</i>

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
considers that the Horizon Europe programme needs to focus on funding areas with a clear European added value such as <i>preventing and mitigating natural disasters</i> , and that research and innovation projects based on cooperation between several stakeholders should therefore be prioritised, as they are uniquely suited for this purpose;	considers that the Horizon Europe programme needs to focus on funding areas with a clear European added value such as <i>sustainable development objectives</i> , and that research and innovation projects based on cooperation between several <i>complementary</i> stakeholders should therefore be prioritised, as they are uniquely suited for this purpose;

Reason
We would give an example with much greater added value in terms of its objectives and impact at European level.

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Point 8

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
<i>would emphasise</i> that <i>certain</i> societal challenges, <i>including as regards</i> the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals, can only be resolved at over-arching European level, and <i>need to be addressed through</i> coordinated efforts <i>by several</i> stakeholders on a larger scale than single research projects; also stresses that such work needs to take a longer-term perspective than was the case under the Horizon 2020 programme, which in turn will require the programme structure to be designed such that long-term financing can be obtained;	<i>emphasises</i> that societal challenges, <i>especially</i> the attainment of the <i>UN</i> Sustainable Development Goals (<i>SDGs</i>), can only be resolved <i>by setting higher ambition targets</i> at over-arching European level, and <i>by mobilising</i> coordinated efforts <i>of all</i> stakeholders, <i>including cities and regions</i> , on a larger scale than single research projects; also stresses that such work needs to take a longer-term perspective than was the case under the Horizon 2020 programme, which in turn will require the programme structure to be designed such that long-term financing can be obtained;

Reason
self-explanatory

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Amend as follows:

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agrees that Europe is in a strong position as regards high-quality research, but that more and stronger efforts are needed in order to turn the results into innovations and applications that can drive sustainable development and growth, and that innovation should be given greater prominence in the Horizon Europe programme;	agrees that Europe is in a strong position as regards high-quality research, but that more and stronger efforts are needed in order to turn the results into innovations and applications that can drive sustainable development and growth, and that research , innovation and development should be given greater prominence in the Horizon Europe programme;

Reason
Research must be associated with innovation and development right across the Horizon Europe programme. [Translator's note: the Spanish version of the opinion has the word "research" instead of "innovation", and the amendment adds "innovation and development".]

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agrees that Europe is in a strong position as regards high-quality research, but that more and stronger efforts are needed in order to turn the results into innovations and applications that can drive sustainable development and growth, and that innovation should be given greater prominence in the Horizon Europe programme;	agrees that Europe is in a strong position as regards high-quality research, but that more and stronger efforts are needed in order to turn the results into innovations and applications that can drive sustainable development and growth, and that innovation should be given great prominence in the Horizon Europe programme while ensuring that all stages of the innovation process are strengthened in a balanced way ;

Reason
The Horizon Europe programme emphasises innovation and strategic research with a short- and medium-term focus. Supporting new knowledge ("curiosity-driven research") is equally important, as it lays the foundations for future innovation and economic and social transformation.

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Point 9

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<p><i>urges, in the light of the conclusions of the Task Force on Subsidiarity, for the full participation of local and regional authorities in the strategic planning exercise and in other governance bodies that will guide the implementation of Horizon Europe, and for regional smart specialisation strategies to be taken into account in this context. Considers by the same token that territorial impacts should be recognised as integral components of the impact concept when it comes to evaluating the programme and projects[1];</i></p> <p><i>[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme or Research and Innovation</i></p>

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harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
<p>agrees that one of the keys to achieving a robust research and innovation capacity within the EU is to improve and more effectively coordinate the use of existing instruments, as the Committee has previously pointed out, and that it is particularly important for cohesion policy to be coordinated with research and innovation policy. To this effect, due consideration should be given to the risk of inequalities growing between cities and regions that benefit hugely from the framework programme for research and innovation, and whose budgets will increase, and the others, who will suffer the consequences of the fall in cohesion policy budgets[1];</p> <p>[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme on Research and Innovation</p>	<p>agrees that one of the keys to achieving a robust research and innovation capacity within the EU is to improve and more effectively coordinate the use of existing instruments, as the Committee has previously pointed out, and that it is particularly important for cohesion policy to be coordinated with research and innovation policy, <i>maintaining the distinctive role of the relevant financial instruments and giving the Member States the necessary flexibility to shape their priorities in keeping with their needs.</i> To this effect, due consideration should be given to the risk of inequalities growing between cities and regions that benefit hugely from the framework programme for research and innovation, and whose budgets will increase, and the others, who will suffer the consequences of the fall in cohesion policy budgets[1]; <i>reducing these inequalities falls within the scope of cohesion policy implementation;</i></p> <p>[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme on Research and Innovation</p>

Reason
<p>The Horizon Europe programme contains specific measures to support countries whose performance is weaker. Introducing horizontal measures for this purpose undermines excellence and is of doubtful effectiveness. Inequalities should be tackled principally through cohesion policies.</p>

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Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
agrees that one of the keys to achieving a robust research and innovation capacity within the EU is to improve and more effectively coordinate the use of existing instruments, as the Committee has previously pointed out, and that it is particularly important for cohesion policy to be coordinated with research and innovation policy. To this effect, <i>due consideration should be given to the risk of inequalities growing</i> between cities and regions that benefit hugely from the framework programme for research and innovation, and whose budgets will increase, and the others, who will suffer the consequences of the fall in cohesion policy budgets[1];	agrees that one of the keys to achieving a robust research and innovation capacity within the EU is to improve and more effectively coordinate the use of existing instruments, as the Committee has previously pointed out, and that it is particularly important for cohesion policy to be coordinated with research and innovation policy. To this effect, <i>measures should be adopted to prevent and in any event mitigate the rise in inequality</i> between cities and regions that benefit hugely from the framework programme for research and innovation, and whose budgets will increase, and the others, who will suffer the consequences of the fall in cohesion policy budgets[1];
[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme for Research and Innovation	[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme for Research and Innovation

Reason
Mitigating measures are needed to tackle the rise in inequality that will result from the decrease in cohesion policy resources.

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MARKKULA Markku

Point 11

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>notes that the full benefits from investing in digital technologies and platforms need to be scaled up throughout Europe. In this the Digital Europe Programme has a crucial role as a robust investment and development programme to capitalise the opportunities needed and created to achieve a fully-functioning Digital Single Market. The CoR emphasises the importance of establishing the network of Digital Innovation Hubs with sufficient coverage for all regions.[2]</i> <i>[2] COR-2018-03951-00-01 Opinion on Digital Europe programme (2021-2027</i>

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Point 12

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
<i>would welcome it if the agenda would trigger</i> a wide-ranging discussion concerning the relationship between research and innovation and society, and all interactions between them, on the basis of empirical analysis and reasoning concerning global changes and what they mean both for the academic community and for society at large, and what new roles they entail for all stakeholders in the research and innovation ecosystem at all levels;	<i>welcomes</i> a wide-ranging discussion concerning the relationship between research and innovation and society, and all interactions between them, on the basis of empirical analysis and reasoning concerning global changes and what they mean both for the academic community and for society at large, and what new roles they entail for all stakeholders in the research and innovation ecosystem at all levels;

Reason
self-explanatory

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Point 14

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
agrees with the approach of viewing research and innovation as activities within an ecosystem in which different stakeholders come together and cooperate to create a vibrant and dynamic environment, but one in which it is also crucial to take account of local and regional diversity in order to formulate successful strategies;	agrees with the approach of viewing research and innovation as activities within an ecosystem in which different stakeholders come together and cooperate to create a vibrant and dynamic environment, but one in which it is also crucial to take account of local and regional diversity in order to formulate successful strategies. <i>With this in mind, the involvement of local and regional authorities is of a clear added value;</i>

Reason
self-explanatory

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Point 14

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>stresses that it is essential throughout the EU policy to integrate digitalisation, research and innovation into all major EU programmes and into partnerships of regional ecosystems;</i>

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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MARKKULA Markku

Point 15

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
agrees that it is essential to make use of the specific features of European <i>research</i> and innovation <i>ecosystems</i> to optimise their functionality, but also feels that the importance of local and regional stakeholders, such as municipalities and regions both as producers and end-users of innovation, in these ecosystems needs to be acknowledged and taken into account when developing European research and innovation policy[<i>I</i>];	agrees that it is essential to make use of the specific features of European <i>regional ecosystems</i> and innovation <i>hubs</i> to optimise their functionality, but also feels that the importance of local and regional stakeholders, such as municipalities and regions both as producers and end-users of innovation, in these ecosystems needs to be acknowledged and taken into account when developing European research and innovation policy[<i>5</i>];
[<i>I</i>] COR 2017-04757-00-00 Opinion on Strengthening Innovation in Europe's Regions: strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth	[<i>5</i>] COR 2017-04757-00-00 Opinion on Strengthening Innovation in Europe's Regions: strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Point 15

Amend as follows:

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CLAVIJO BATLLE Fernando
GAMALLO ALLER Jesús
GARCÍA GIMENO Ignacio Javier
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HERRERA CAMPO Juan Vicente
HUDDART Doreen
LAMBÁN MONTAÑÉS
Francisco Javier
MARTÍNEZ SUÁREZ Guillermo
PUIG I FERRER Ximo
SUKLES Urmas
TIETARI Satu
VANRAES Jean-Luc

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
agrees that it is essential to make use of the specific features of European research and innovation ecosystems to optimise their functionality, but also feels that the importance of local and regional stakeholders, such as municipalities and regions both as producers and end-users of innovation, in these ecosystems needs to be acknowledged and taken into account when developing European research and innovation policy;	agrees that it is essential to make use of the specific features of European research and innovation ecosystems to optimise their functionality, but also feels that the importance of local and regional stakeholders, such as municipalities and regions both as producers, drivers and end-users of innovation, in these ecosystems needs to be acknowledged and taken into account when developing European research and innovation policy;

Reason
Local and regional stakeholders play a key role as drivers of innovation: as well as being producers and users of innovation, their regulatory activities and support help the different bodies, companies and organisations to systematise innovation processes.

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MARAVELIAS Dimitris

SPYRIDON Spyros

TZITZIKOSTAS Apostolos

Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
believes that local and regional authorities should be involved in designing and managing research and innovation programmes[1]. The importance of research and innovation in all policy areas and across different sectors of society can hardly be overstated, but it is important in all circumstances also to take account of the bottom-up drivers in these systems, not just the top-down ones, in order to fully achieve the goals of the renewed agenda and genuinely strengthen these ecosystems. This, in turn, will ensure that the agenda covers and promotes not just "open science" but also "open innovation";	believes that local and regional authorities should be involved in designing and managing research and innovation programmes[1] <i>and that consequently special emphasis should be put on capacity-building to this end.</i> The importance of research and innovation in all policy areas and across different sectors of society can hardly be overstated, but it is important in all circumstances also to take account of the bottom-up drivers in these systems, not just the top-down ones, in order to fully achieve the goals of the renewed agenda and genuinely strengthen these ecosystems. This, in turn, will ensure that the agenda covers and promotes not just "open science" but also "open innovation";
[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme on Research and Innovation	[1] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme on Research and Innovation

Reason
Regional and local authorities often lack the appropriate capacity and know-how to frame, manage or implement strategies, programmes and research and innovation projects. It is important for the Funds to support capacity-building in the public sector more broadly.

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CLERGEAU Christophe
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KARJALAINEN Anne
MARKKULA Markku

Point 18

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>strongly supports the European partnership approach mentioned in Horizon Europe as an important tool to support bottom- up projects set up by consortia of regional ecosystems and innovation hubs, and financed by combined funds from Horizon Europe, other EU programmes, as well as national, regional or local public and private funds.</i>

Reason
self-explanatory

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GABRIČ Jasna
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Point 19

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
points out that local and regional authorities finance research and innovation, and thus part of public investment, but agrees that it is a positive move to encourage Member States to be more ambitious in their efforts <i>so that more of them</i> reach the goal of investing 3% of GDP in research and innovation, and to improve the conditions for private investment and encourage further effort from business;	points out that local and regional authorities finance research and innovation, and thus part of public investment, but agrees that it is a positive move to encourage Member States to be more ambitious in their efforts <i>to</i> reach the goal of investing 3% of GDP in research and innovation <i>by 2020</i> , and to improve the conditions for private investment and encourage further effort from business;

Reason
According to the innovation union, which is part of the Europe 2020 strategy, the investment in R&D in Member States should equal 3% of (GDP) by 2020 – an ambitious CoR opinion should not differ from the set target.

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AZEVEDO João
CLAVIJO BATLLE Fernando
DA CUNHA COSTA José
HORTA Basílio
ROBERT Didier
SILVA Carlos

Add a new point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>notes that the European Commission's Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation states that specific measures for the EU's outermost regions are justifiable with regard to their access to EU horizontal programmes, taking into account their structural, social and economic situation. The CoR regrets that the proposed text does not do the same, which will make it hard for the programme to take into account the specific needs of these regions;</i>

Reason
The constraints on the outermost regions, as defined in Article 349 TFEU, confirm the need for specific measures for these regions.

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Point 21

Amend as follows:

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ELORZA ZUBIRÍA María

Ángeles

HERRERA CAMPO Juan Vicente

MARTÍNEZ SUÁREZ Guillermo

PLEGUEZUELO ALONSO

Manuel

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
stresses that it is a good thing that the European Structural and Social Funds are being used to help the regions to participate in innovation-driven economic and social development and sustainable growth, and considers it to be particularly important to develop synergies between the Horizon Europe programme, the InvestEU fund, the European Social Fund, the Erasmus+ programme, the Digital Europe programme, the common agricultural policy and the space programme. Such synergies should foster coherence, complementarity and compatibility between funds, while favouring a co-construction-based approach and strengthening territorial connections;	stresses that it is a good thing that the European Structural and Social Funds are being used to help the regions to participate in innovation-driven economic and social development and sustainable growth, and considers it to be particularly important to develop synergies between the Horizon Europe programme, the InvestEU fund, <i>the European Regional Development Fund</i> , the European Social Fund, the Erasmus+ programme, the Digital Europe programme, the common agricultural policy and the space programme. Such synergies should foster coherence, complementarity and compatibility between funds, while favouring a co-construction-based approach and strengthening territorial connections;

Reason
It is essential that ERDF funding be part of the synergies envisaged under the renewed European agenda for research and innovation.

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CLERGEAU Christophe
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MARKKULA Markku

Point 22

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>strongly opposes, however, that the option of transferring a share of cohesion policy funds to the Horizon Europe programme should be systematically decided by the Member States; strongly urges that this option should be exercised by the relevant managing authority and that the arrangements for harnessing these funds should be decided on by agreement between that authority and the Commission, ensuring that these funds are returned to the geographical area concerned[7];</i> <i>[7] COR 2017-00854-00-01 Opinion on Local and Regional Dimension of the Horizon 2020 Programme and the New Framework Programme or Research and Innovation</i>

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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Point 22

New point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>notes the growing importance of the role played by the European Investment Bank in supporting R&I via financial instruments. This development ensures that grants are increasingly complemented by other financial instruments;</i>

Reason
self-explanatory

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MARAVELIAS Dimitris

SPYRIDON Spyros

TZITZIKOSTAS Apostolos

Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
stresses that the council's scope must also <i>include</i> social innovations and service innovations, which to a large extent take place in municipalities and regions: it is there that new services, business opportunities and jobs are created that respond to the basic needs of society in a broad sense, and the digitalisation of public services in itself constitutes an opening for breakthrough innovations[1];	stresses that the council's scope must also <i>give emphasis or sufficient support to boosting early-stage innovation and to collaborative projects, as well as including</i> social innovations and service innovations, which to a large extent take place in municipalities and regions: it is there that new services, business opportunities and jobs are created that respond to the basic needs of society in a broad sense, and the digitalisation of public services in itself constitutes an opening for breakthrough innovations[1];
[1] COR 2016-02882-00-01 Opinion on eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020	[1] COR 2016-02882-00-01 Opinion on eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020

Reason
We wish to strengthen the part concerning advanced research and early-stage technological development (through Pathfinder) since, as well as individual beneficiaries it also includes funding for collaborative projects between businesses and research bodies.

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Point 28

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
stresses that the council's scope must also include social <i>innovations</i> and service innovations, which to a large extent take place in municipalities and regions: it is there that new services, business opportunities and jobs are created that respond to the basic needs of society in a broad sense, and the digitalisation of public services in itself constitutes an opening for breakthrough innovations[<i>I</i>];	stresses that the council's scope must also include social and <i>societal innovations including</i> service innovations, which to a large extent take place in municipalities and regions: it is there that new services, business opportunities and jobs are created that respond to the basic needs of society in a broad sense, and the digitalisation of public services in itself constitutes an opening for breakthrough innovations[<i>8</i>];
[<i>I</i>] COR 2016-02882-00-01 on Opinion eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020	[<i>8</i>] COR 2016-02882-00-01 on Opinion eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020

Reason
harmonization with terminology in, and clarification of links to previous CoR Opinions

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BETTENCOURT Rui

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ALVES Miguel

AZEVEDO João

CLAVIJO BATLLE Fernando

DA CUNHA COSTA José

HORTA Basílio

ROBERT Didier

SILVA Carlos

Add a new point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>points out that the outermost regions have unique assets in the field of research and innovation in areas such as bioeconomics or climate change, including when it comes to measures to reduce greenhouse gases by trialling low-carbon transport and energy efficient solutions; these regions need to be given sufficient resources to provide a boost to such trials;</i>

Reason
The specific features and potential of the outermost regions enable them to be test-beds for new innovative, efficient solutions and increase the added value in this field.

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LAMBÁN MONTAÑÉS
Francisco Javier
PUIG I FERRER Ximo

Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
highlights, as an example, research and innovation conducted in municipalities and regions that act as "living labs" and testbeds for e.g. healthcare, town planning and general improvements in prosperity, and the way in which innovations with significant benefits for end-users/the public can be implemented directly in this kind of location-specific context;	highlights, as an example, research and innovation conducted in municipalities and regions that act as "living labs" and testbeds, <i>as is the case with the outermost regions</i> , for e.g. healthcare, town planning and general improvements in prosperity, and the way in which innovations with significant benefits for end-users/the public can be implemented directly in this kind of location-specific context;

Reason
Because of their specific situation, which is unique in the EU and recognised in Article 349 TFEU, the outermost regions offer huge potential for innovation in certain spheres and can become real natural laboratories where new solutions can be tested, as the Commission recognises in COM(2017) 623 final.

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Point 30

Add a new point:

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Vicente

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BALAS TORRES Rosa

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Francisco Javier

MARTÍNEZ SUÁREZ Guillermo

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>in this regard, opportunities arising from demographic change should be highlighted, such as those created by the "silver economy" for businesses and bodies that design and market innovative products and services for older people. It is in regions affected by demographic change that the potential of this sphere of social innovation and innovation in relation to services could best be harnessed;</i>

Reason
As set out in the CoR opinion on <i>The EU response to the demographic challenge</i> , demographic challenges can be used to drive research and innovation that address those challenges, with the aim of improving the quality of life of the whole population.

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Amend as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
takes the view that local and regional authorities must be involved in the European Innovation Council alongside representatives from academia and business, in order to focus its work clearly on issues of relevance to society, and that local and regional stakeholders must be covered by its activities;	takes the view that local and regional authorities must be involved in the European Innovation Council alongside representatives from academia and business, <i>including small and medium-sized enterprises</i> , in order to focus its work clearly on issues of relevance to society, and that local and regional stakeholders must be covered by its activities;

Reason
We do not agree that companies larger than start-ups or SMEs should be included among the beneficiaries. We would point out that the Competitiveness Council (partial general agreement) at present also accepts mid-caps (up to 499 employees).

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HORTA Basílio

ROBERT Didier

SILVA Carlos

Add a new point:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
	<i>believes that the unique assets of the outermost regions have the potential to generate new jobs and business opportunities in areas where these regions have comparative advantages, as identified in their smart specialisation strategies, and in traditional activities important for creating employment;</i>

Reason
Diversification of business areas related to innovation and research in the outermost regions encourages value-added growth and, consequently, employment in these regions.

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Point 35

Amend text as follows:

<i>Draft opinion</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
believes that the <i>opportunity</i> should be <i>taken to link the missions</i> to the sustainable development goals set out in the UN's Agenda 2030;	<i>reminds the need to involve local and regional authorities in the definition and implementation of the missions</i> ; believes that the <i>missions</i> should be <i>linked</i> to the sustainable development goals set out in the UN's Agenda 2030 <i>and stresses the essential role of cities and regions in implementing the UN SDGs</i> ;

Reason
self-explanatory