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Draft opinion Assita Kanko (PE765.344v01-00)

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Amendment 1 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas Article 8 TFEU *mandates* the Union *to* aim to eliminate inequalities and to promote equality *between men and women* in all its activities; whereas equality is a fundamental right under the Treaty of Lisbon and a priority for the Union *with* the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) supporting Union institutions and Member States in achieving that aim;

Amendment

whereas Article 8 TFEU states that Α the Union *shall* aim to eliminate inequalities and to promote gender equality in all its activities, thereby establishing the principle of gender mainstreaming; whereas gender equality must be incorporated into all EU policies and activites, including via gender budgeting at all levels of the budgetary process; whereas equality is a fundamental right under the Treaty of Lisbon and a priority for the Union and achieving gender equality is crucial to upholding these rights; whereas the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) has a central role *in* supporting Union institutions and Member States in achieving that aim;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lucia Yar, Abir Al-Sahlani, Veronika Cifrová Ostrihoňová, Jana Toom

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achieving that aim; whereas it is EIGE's objective to contribute to and strengthen the promotion of gender equality, including gender mainstreaming in all EU policies, a task in which it has proven to be vital and effective; whereas it is therefore underlined that EIGE needs to be provided with sufficient and stable financial and human resources to fulfil its tasks;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Recital A

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Or. en

Amendment 4 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

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Amendment

A a. whereas EIGE's core mission focuses on achieving gender equality in

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the EU by providing research, collecting and communicating data, and developing methods to improve statistics and data collection, measuring the state of gender equality at both EU and Member State levels, developing methodological tools and providing technical support for gender mainstreaming, and cooperating with EU institutions, it's Member States, EU agencies, international organisations, academia, civil society and other stakeholders;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

A a. whereas the Gender Equality Index 2023 for the European Union (EU) surpassed 70 points for the first time, showing a growth of 1.6 points since 2022; whereas the increase in the overall EU score is the highest year-on-year rise since the first edition of the Index in 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

A a. whereas gender equality must be incorporated into all EU policies, including via gender budgeting at all levels of the budgetary process; whereas

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EIGE was established in order to contribute to and strengthen the promotion of gender equality in the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Recital B

Draft opinion

whereas in 2023 EIGE's work B. focused on two thematic priorities: the European Green Deal and gender-based violence; whereas crises exacerbate women's vulnerability and exposure to violence, intensifying existing structural inequalities and aggravating all types of gender-based violence, including physical, sexual and psychological; whereas the effectiveness of EIGE's actions on the European Green Deal, which needs to be revised and updated to set achievable targets in general to achieve equality and support women, especially in the Union, is questionable;

Amendment

whereas following the principle of Β. gender mainstreaming, incorporating gender sensitive perspective, and researching the effect of all policies on women are crucial aspects of achieving gender equality; whereas in 2023 EIGE's work focused on, among other areas, supporting the objective of a green and gender-equal Europe through the Green Deal, via the Gender Equality index, developing the good practises toolkit and awareness raising; whereas the focus on the Green Deal was appropriate; whereas in EIGE's publication in October 2023 on Gender Balance in the European Green Deal, it was concluded that, in order to deliver the European Green Deal with a just and socially fair transition that leaves no one behind, additional efforts are needed to address the underrepresentation of women in key decisionmaking positions, specifically, greater focus is required at the national level to honour both EU and national commitments to equal representation in positions of power;

Or. en

Amendment 8

Draft opinion Recital B

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B. whereas gender equality is far from a reality in the Union, with the 2023 Gender Equality Index having made a modest increase of only 1.6 points to reach 70.2, and with some domains showing signs of regression, in particular in economic and income metrics; whereas crises exacerbate women's vulnerability and exposure to violence, intensifying existing structural inequalities and aggravating all types of gender-based violence, including physical, sexual and psychological; whereas women face systemic social and economic inequalities across the Union, exacerbated by intersecting factors such as race, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, and migration status, which hinder their access to opportunities, fair wages, and social protections;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Recital B

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Or. en

Amendment 10 Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lucia Yar, Abir Al-Sahlani, Veronika Cifrová Ostrihoňová, Jana Toom

Draft opinion Recital B

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Or. en

Amendment 11 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Recital B

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Or. en

Amendment 12 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

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Amendment

B a. whereas EIGE's work focused also on gender-based violence (GBV), by working on a EU wide survey on GBV to close the 10 year data gap on the prevalence of violence against women in the EU; whereas crises exacerbate women's vulnerability and exposure to violence, intensifying existing structural inequalities and aggravating all types of gender-based violence, including physical, sexual, and psychological and cyberviolence; whereas EIGE continued to support gender mainstreaming efforts in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Irene Montero

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Amendment

B a. whereas gender equality in the Union has been particularly impacted by the consequences of the war in Ukraine, the cost of living crisis, which women are disproportionately affected by, and the backlashes against gender equality and women's rights, especially around sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in several Member States; whereas this further deepens inequalities and hampers gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

B a. whereas EIGE works towards the provision of evidence on gender-based violence (GBV) that can support the EU and Member States (and beyond) in their efforts to eradicate all forms of violence;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

B b. whereas the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) was established in order to contribute to and strengthen the promotion of gender equality in the

Union, including gender mainstreaming in all Union policies and the resulting national policies, the fight against discrimination based on gender, and raising Union citizens' awareness of gender equality; whereas crises exacerbate women's social and economic vulnerabilities, intensifying exposure to violence and deepening existing structural inequalities; whereas the disproportionate economic impacts of crises, including the green transition, often fall on women, particularly those in low-income, caregiving, or informal sector roles;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

B b. whereas EIGE pointed out that women are underrepresented in the creation and development of clean innovation; whereas this has added value for European policymaking;

Or. en

Amendment 17 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Recital B c (new)

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Amendment

B c. whereas EU agencies, such as EIGE, contribute to the implementation of EU policies and strive for the development of a more sustainable, inclusive and competitive Europe for the

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benefit of all EU citizens; whereas these agencies are decentralised and thereby independent in the development of their work programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. *Has serious concerns that EIGE's mission was diverted from improving equality by its focus on* the European *Green Deal*; points out that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives;

Amendment

Stresses that EIGE was correct in 1 its index's assertion that high energy prices place a lot of very small businesses at risk of indebtedness and even bankruptcy, many of them owned by women or employing women, especially in personal care services; to that end, underlines that future research on the gender aspects of the Green Deal should seek to address that women are not overburdened with bureaucratic red tape and costly energy bills to the detriment of the European *economy*; points out that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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1. Stresses that in the last decade economic, social, labour and gender inequalities within and between Member States have become more acute; recalls the important role played by EIGE in

objectives;

understanding and addressing the extent and causes of gender inequality in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Has serious concerns that EIGE's mission was diverted from improving equality by its focus on the European Green Deal; points out that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives;

Amendment

1. Notes EIGE's continuous high level of budget execution, despite the persistent understaffing of the agency, with commitment appropriations of up to 98 % in and a payment appropriations rate of 83 %; congratulates EIGE for achieving 92.76% of its work programme objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. *Highlights* that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives; notes that the 2023 Gender Equality Index focused on how gender gaps impact and are impacted by green transition efforts, especially in sectors like energy and transport;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lucia Yar, Abir Al-Sahlani, Veronika Cifrová Ostrihoňová, Jana Toom

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Has serious concerns *that EIGE's mission was diverted from improving equality by its focus on the European Green Deal*; points out that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives;

Amendment

1. Has serious concerns *about the lack of gender mainstreaming within climate policies and welcomes EIGE's initiatives shed light on this phenomenom*; points out that EIGE achieved 92,76 % of its work programme objectives;

Or. en

Amendment 23 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Notes that EIGE was established 1 a. as EU's knowledge centre on gender equality to produce independent research and share best practises to eliminate discrimination based on gender, combine research, data and tools to help EU and it's Member States to design inclusive and gender-transformative policies and to mainstream gender equality into all their policies; highlights the urgency for the Union to advance on gender equality, in the light of ongoing crisis, such as climate crisis, wars, backlashes on gender equality and anti-gender and antidemocratic movements; in this regard, recalls that one in three women in the EU experience gender based violence during their lifetime, including physical, sexual and psychological violene or threats of violence^{1a}; recalls that women are more severely affected by poverty and notes in

that regard that gender pay gap in the EU is 13%^{1b} and pension gender pension gap is 29%,^{1c} effecting women's societal wellbeing; notes that women in the EU also experience threats to their fundamental rights and bodily autonomy, as attacks against SRHR, including abortion rights persist; reiterates that women are also disproportionately affected by climate crisis and wars and conflicts;

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and-policy/policies/justice-andfundamental-rights/genderequality/equal-pay/gender-pay-gapsituation-eu_en

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https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/product s-eurostat-news/-/ddn-20210203-1

Or. en

Amendment 24 Catherine Griset, Mathilde Androuët

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Notes that the EIGE participated, along with Eurostat and the EU Fundamental Rights Agency, in the EU gender-based violence survey, published on 25 November 2024; calls on the EIGE to prioritise the fight against violence, to tackle this issue without any ideological bias, to ensure that the scale of violence against women in public places is not underestimated, and to gather data on the

profiles of perpetrators, not just victims; stresses that this information is vitally important when adopting efficient public policies to combat violence against women;

Or. fr

Amendment 25 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1 a. Emphasizes that addressing gender-based violence cannot be decoupled from tackling economic and social inequalities; calls on EIGE to prioritize research and recommendations that focus on reducing the gender pay gap, increasing women's access to quality jobs, and ensuring their economic independence as a fundamental part of its mission to combat violence against women and girls;

Or. en

Amendment 26 Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lucia Yar, Abir Al-Sahlani, Veronika Cifrová Ostrihoňová, Jana Toom

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1 a. Welcomes the ongoing cooperation between EIGE and the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality; stresses the valuable contribution that EIGE can make to all Parliament committees, in order to better integrate the gender perspective in all EU policies; Amendment 27 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. *Notes* that the 8,5 % *increase in* EIGE's staff costs can be attributed to the continued high inflation rate as well as a 2,7% indexation of salaries, and that the average number of staff remained at 45; notes that two contract agents were engaged and funded by the IPA contribution agreement with the Commission's Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations; acknowledges the persisting understaffing of EIGE and suggests that EIGE focus its work programme on violence against women and girls while deprioritizing actions related to the European Green Deal where necessary in *light of current staff capacities*;

Amendment

2. Recalls that the EIGE's task is to collect, analyse, and disseminate information as regards gender equality and to develop, analyse, evaluate and disseminate methodological tools in order to support the integration of gender equality into all Union policies and the resulting national policies; encourages collaboration between the EIGE and other Union agencies;

Or. en

Amendment 28 Raquel García Hermida-Van Der Walle, Lucia Yar, Abir Al-Sahlani, Veronika Cifrová Ostrihoňová, Jana Toom

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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contribution agreement with the Commission's Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations; acknowledges the persisting understaffing of EIGE; notes that Regulation (EC) No 1922/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on establishing a European Institute for Gender Equality, states in article 6 that EIGE should function independently in the public interest; acknowledges that EIGE thus produces independent research and as such is capable of dealing with the prioritization of their work independently as well; encourages the European Commission to prioritise gender mainstreaming in all its policies and ensure that EIGE has sufficient capacity to research this topic;

Or. en

Amendment 29 Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus, Alessandra Moretti, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Elisabeth Grossmann, Lina Gálvez, Marko Vešligaj

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

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light of current staff capacities;

requests for its services; further calls for increased budget allocations to support the Institute's recruitment and research capabilities, enabling EIGE to better address subsequent crisis and the growing backlashes against gender equality, women's rights and rights of LGBTIQ+ persons, which disproportionately affect women;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 31 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 32 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 a. Recalls that EIGE has experienced persistent issues with understaffing, which were further aggravated through the sharp increase in requests for technical assistance as a result of the prioritisation of gender mainstreaming in all Union policies and initiatives in the EU Gender Equality Strategy 2020-2025; stresses its calls for EIGE to be granted the budget and staff allocations, including an increase in contract agents, required to handle the significant increase in workload;

Or. en

Amendment 33 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 a. Welcomes EIGE's gender equality highlights which presented Croatia and Greece as having the highest share of women among research and innovation personnel in business enterprises in the electricity and gas and water supply sectors; notes that such information has added value to the cause of gender equality in the energy market;

Or. en

Amendment 34 Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Loucas Fourlas

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 a. Highlights the importance of resuming actions related to the gender mainstreaming that did not achieve a 100% success rate, particularly those due to procedural reasons;

Or. en

Amendment 35 Catherine Griset, Mathilde Androuët

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Notes that the overall gender imbalance among EIGE staff has

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increased in recent years, with women accounting for 75 % of employees in 2023;

Or. fr

Amendment 36 Paulo Do Nascimento Cabral, Loucas Fourlas

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 b. Recognizes the high success rates of EIGE in developing actions and communication campaigns on gender equality, emphasizing its importance in creating awareness;

Or. en

Amendment 37 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 b. Notes that EIGE already considers violence against women as being one of the most severe human rights violations within societies;

Or. en

Amendment 38 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 c (new) Draft opinion

Amendment

2 c. Highlights the important research by the Agency which presents how violence is a result of inequalities that affect all women, but that indeed some groups of women are more vulnerable to experiencing violence such as women with disabilities; calls on EIGE to further develop its future work on this pressing topic;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2 d. agrees with EIGE in its research that women and girls with disabilities are often at a higher risk of transport poverty due to limited transport affordability, availability, and accessibility;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Acknowledges that specific measures were taken in the area of financial management to ensure a proper implementation of interinstitutional framework contracts.

Amendment

3. Recalls that the European Institute for Gender Equality was set up to help the European institutions and the Member States to mainstream gender equality in all their policies and combat gender-based discrimination by supplying up-to-date studies, and thus makes an important contribution to efforts to achieve genuine

gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 41 Assita Kanko

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

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Amendment

3. Acknowledges that specific measures were taken in the area of financial management to ensure a proper implementation of interinstitutional framework contracts *to comply with the observations of the Court;*

Or. en

Amendment 42 Margarita de la Pisa Carrión, Sebastian Kruis, Mireia Borrás Pabón, Viktória Ferenc

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 – point 1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(1) Strongly opposes the diversion of resources and attention from critical economic and social objectives by earmarking funds specifically for a gender perspective; acknowledges that this approach has proven ineffective, as significant progress in areas such as reducing violence against women or achieving gender equality has not been realised despite the allocation of resources;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Margarita de la Pisa Carrión, Sebastian Kruis, Mireia Borrás Pabón, Viktória Ferenc

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 – point 2 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(2) Affirms that these funds have been exploited for purely ideological purposes, resulting in the imposition of a forced social change that undermines national sovereignty and the rights of families;

Or. en

Amendment 44 Margarita de la Pisa Carrión, Sebastian Kruis, Mireia Borrás Pabón, Viktória Ferenc

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 – point 3 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(3) Advocates for project funding to be objective, effective, and neutral, free from partisan influence, and designed to benefit society as a whole, prioritizing the genuine needs of EU citizens, irrespective of gender;

Or. en

Amendment 45 Irene Montero

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3 a. Welcomes the ongoing cooperation between EIGE and the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM), in particular the Institute's contribution to the ongoing efforts of the Committee concerning gender-based

violence, work-life balance, the gender pay and pension gap, impact of crises on women, gender mainstreaming and budgeting; strongly supports the work of the Institute, which enables the Committee to properly do its work; notes the importance of availability of reliable gender-disaggregated data in order to allow for evidence-based policy making; notes the valuable contribution EIGE can make to all the European Parliament's Committees and other EU agencies in order to better integrate gender mainstreaming in all EU policies; calls on EIGE to adopt an intersectional framework in its research and policymaking to address the compounded social and economic disadvantages faced by women from marginalized groups, including women of color, migrants, persons with disabilities, and LGBTIQA+ individuals; stresses the importance of collecting disaggregated data to develop targeted solutions for these groups;

Or. en

Amendment 46 Alexandra Geese

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3 a. Is of the opinion, on the basis of the data currently available, that discharge can be granted to the Director of the EIGE in respect of the implementation of its budget for the financial year 2023.

Or. en

Amendment 47 Loucas Fourlas, Eleonora Meleti

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3 a. Is of the opinion, on the basis of the data currently available, that discharge can be granted to the Director of EIGE in respect of the implementation of its budget for the financial year 2023.

Or. en