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Amendment 1
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Programme has the general objective to develop and modernise the trans-European networks in the fields of transport, energy *and digital* and to facilitate cross-border cooperation in the field of renewable energy, taking into account the long-term decarbonisation commitments and with emphasis on synergies among sectors.

Amendment

1. The Programme has the general objective to develop and modernise the trans-European networks in the fields of transport *and* energy and to facilitate cross-border cooperation in the field of renewable energy, taking into account the long-term decarbonisation commitments and with emphasis on synergies among sectors. ***Furthermore, the Programme has the general objective to promote the deployment of very high capacity networks and 5G infrastructure across the Union, with a view to positioning Europe in the forefront of innovation, competitiveness and digital economy.***

Or. en

Amendment 2
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 – point a – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) to adapt the TEN-T networks to military mobility needs;

Amendment

(ii) to adapt the TEN-T networks to military mobility needs, ***aimed at facilitating cross-border military transport and, ultimately, strengthening the Union's capacity to respond to crisis situations, including joint actions with partners;***

Or. en

Amendment 3
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) In the energy sector, to contribute to the development of projects of common interest relating to further integration of the internal energy market, interoperability of networks across borders and sectors, facilitating decarbonisation and **ensuring** security of supply, and to facilitate cross-border cooperation in the area of renewable energy;

Amendment

(b) In the energy sector, to contribute to the development of projects of common interest relating to further integration of the internal energy market, interoperability of networks across borders and sectors, facilitating decarbonisation and **an integrated internal market for energy, driven by competition, supply and demand** and security of supply, and to facilitate cross-border cooperation in the area of renewable energy;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) In the digital sector, to **contribute to** the deployment of very high capacity digital networks and 5G **systems**, to the increased resilience and capacity of **digital backbone** networks on EU territories by linking them to neighbouring territories, as well to the digitalisation of transport and energy networks.

Amendment

(c) In the digital sector, to **support** the deployment of very high capacity digital networks and 5G **infrastructure and** to the increased resilience and capacity of **such** networks on EU territories by linking them to neighbouring territories, as well to the digitalisation of transport and energy networks **by facilitating a rapid 5G infrastructure deployment, where EU funds have a significant impact on the materialisation of such deployment.**

Or. en

Amendment 5
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2 – point a – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) up to EUR **30,615,493,000** for the specific objectives referred to in Article 3(2)(a), of which:

(a) up to EUR **27,615,493,000** for the specific objectives referred to in Article 3(2)(a), of which:

Or. en

Justification

EUR 3.000.000.000 subtracted and allocated to point (c), in order to strengthen the investments in 5G infrastructure and very high capacity networks, which is vital in order to retain and develop European global competitiveness and innovation strength.

Amendment 6

Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) up to EUR **3,000,000,000** for the specific objectives referred to in Article 3(2)(c).

(c) up to EUR **6,000,000,000** for the specific objectives referred to in Article 3(2)(c).

Or. en

Justification

EUR 3,000,000,000 taken from paragraph 2(a), in order to prioritise and further advance Union efforts to deploy 5G infrastructure and very high capacity networks, which is vital in order to retain and develop European global competitiveness and innovation strength.

Amendment 7

Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Cross-border projects in the field of renewable energy shall involve at least two Member States and shall be included in a cooperation agreement or any other kind of arrangement between Member States or arrangements between Member States and third countries as set out in Articles 6, 7, 9 or 11 of Directive 2009/28/EC. These projects shall be identified in accordance with the criteria and procedure laid down in Part IV of the Annex to this Regulation.

Amendment

1. Cross-border projects in the field of renewable energy shall involve at least two Member States, ***contribute to completing the internal energy market by promoting competition, supply and demand based trading and enhanced security of supply*** and shall be included in a cooperation agreement or any other kind of arrangement between Member States or arrangements between Member States and third countries as set out in Articles 6, 7, 9 or 11 of Directive 2009/28/EC. These projects shall be identified in accordance with the criteria and procedure laid down in Part IV of the Annex to this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 8
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the project specific cost-benefit analysis pursuant to point 3 of Part IV of the Annex provides evidence concerning the existence of significant cost savings and/or benefits in terms of system integration, security of supply or innovation, and;

Amendment

(a) the project specific cost-benefit analysis pursuant to point 3 of Part IV of the Annex provides evidence concerning the existence of significant cost savings and/or benefits in terms of system integration, ***competition, supply and demand***, security of supply or innovation, and;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Projects of common interest in the area of digital connectivity infrastructure **shall** contribute to the specific objective provided for in Article 3(2)(c).

Amendment

1. Projects of common interest in the area of digital connectivity infrastructure **are projects that** contribute to the specific objective provided for in Article 3(2)(c), **in particular the deployment of very high capacity networks and 5G infrastructure.**

Or. en

Amendment 10
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) actions contributing to access to very high capacity networks capable of providing Gigabit connectivity for socio-economic drivers shall be prioritised **taking** into account **the function of the** socio-economic drivers, the relevance of the digital services and applications enabled by providing the underlying connectivity, and the potential socio-economic benefits to citizens, business and local communities, including the potential positive spill-overs in terms of connectivity, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

Amendment

(a) actions contributing to access to very high capacity networks capable of providing Gigabit connectivity for socio-economic drivers shall be prioritised. **In addition to the Union's global competitiveness and capacity to absorb investments in 5G infrastructure and technology, factors that may be taken** into account **are** socio-economic drivers, the relevance of the digital services and applications enabled by providing the underlying connectivity, and the potential socio-economic benefits to citizens, business and local communities, including the potential positive spill-overs in terms of **5G** connectivity, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) actions contributing to the provision of **very high-quality local wireless** connectivity **in local communities**, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

(b) actions contributing to the provision of **5G** connectivity, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

Or. en

Justification

Investing in full scale 5G connectivity is necessary not only in order to strengthen European competitiveness and innovation capacity, but also to maintain European competitiveness vis-à-vis, notably, the U.S, China, Japan and South Korea where investments in digital infrastructure and 5G are significant; thus, 5G should be the overarching priority of the digital investments within CEF.

Amendment 12 **Gunnar Hökmark**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 8 – paragraph 3 – point b**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) actions contributing to the provision of very **high-quality local wireless connectivity** in local communities, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

(b) actions contributing to the provision of very **high capacity networks** in local communities, in accordance with Part V of the Annex;

Or. en

Amendment 13 **Gunnar Hökmark**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 8 – paragraph 3 – point d**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) projects aiming at the deployment of cross-border **backbone** networks linking the Union to third countries and reinforcing links within the Union territory, including

(d) projects aiming at the deployment of cross-border **very high capacity** networks linking the Union to third countries and reinforcing links within the

with submarine cables, shall be prioritised according to the extent to which they significantly contribute to increasing the resilience and capacity of electronic communications networks in Union territory;

Union territory, including with submarine cables, shall be prioritised according to the extent to which they significantly contribute to increasing the resilience and capacity of electronic communications networks in Union territory;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – part V – point 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. ***Wireless connectivity in local communities***

2. **5G connectivity**

Or. en

Amendment 15
Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – part V – point 2 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Actions aiming at ***the provision of local wireless connectivity that is free of charge and without discriminatory conditions in centres of local public life, including outdoor spaces accessible to the general public that play a major role in the public life of local communities*** shall be subject to the following conditions in order to receive funding:

Actions aiming at ***providing full scale 5G connectivity*** that shall be subject to the following conditions in order to receive funding:

Or. en