

THE SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC $12^{\text{TH}} \text{ TERM}$

96th

RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 5th session held on 31st January 2019

on the Communication from the Commission Annual Growth Survey 2019: For a stronger Europe in the face of global uncertainty (Senate Print No. K 001/12; COM(2018) 770)

The Senate

I.

1. Takes note

of the presentation of the Annual Growth Survey by the European Commission launching the European Semester for 2019;

2. Considers

the risk analysis presented by the European Commission to be correct, in particular the accentuations of productivity lags, persistent regional economic disparities within the EU and population aging;

3. Agrees

with the main economic policy priorities highlighting high-quality investments, focusing the reforms on productivity growth, inclusiveness and quality of institutions, and ensuring macroeconomic stability and sound public finances;

4. Emphasizes

the importance of the debate within the European Semester 2019 for deciding on the financing of Cohesion Policy in 2021-2027;

5. Supports

the Government's position on the InvestEU Programme and the Reform Support Programme as tools for implementing the set priorities;

6. Did not find,

in the Government's position, an opinion on the proposal for the establishment of National Productivity Councils;

II.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this Resolution was taken into account and about further development of the European Semester in this year;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Jaroslav Kubera sign manual President of the Senate

> Pavel Štohl sign manual Senate Verifier