



THE SENATE
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 27th session held on 20th July 2022

on Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2021/241 as regards REPowerEU chapters in recovery and resilience plans and amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 , Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Directive 2003/87/EC and Decision (EU) 2015/1814

The Senate

I.

1. Supports

an increase of EUR 20 billion in Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) funding, which Member States will be able to use through their Recovery and Resilience Plans for reforms and investments under the REPowerEU chapter;

2. Recommends

considering of other sources of new funding for the RRF than the currently proposed source of auctioning of emission allowances from the EU ETS Market Stability Reserve, such as the Innovation Fund, which could also meet the objectives of the REPowerEU plan;

3. Disagrees

that the new funds should be distributed among Member States on the basis of the current allocation key of the RRF instrument, which is based on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on Member States' GDP, and therefore, supports the distribution of these funds according to a new key that also takes into account the degree of dependence of individual Member States on fossil fuel imports from the Russian Federation;

4. Considers that

in accordance with the Government's position, the implementation of the RRF instrument, i.e. recovery and resilience plans, should be associated with a low level of administrative burden and, at the same time, maximum flexibility in the use of support;

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5. Supports

the idea of extending the implementation of the RRF instrument beyond 2026, especially for the measures contained in the new REPowerEU chapter;

6. Considers it essential

that the integration of renewable energies should take place in a uniform and coordinated manner, without jeopardizing the stability of transmission and distribution systems, and that existing gas infrastructure should be used as much as possible for the introduction of renewable and low-carbon gases;

II.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate no later than on 30 October 2022 about the way this Resolution was taken into account and about the further development of negotiations;

2. Authorises

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

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