Resolution on a global approach to research and innovation: Europe’s strategy for international cooperation in a changing world

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution on a global approach to research and innovation: Europe’s strategy for international cooperation in a changing world.

Parliament welcomed the Commission communication on Europe’s strategy for international cooperation in a changing world which aims to promote rules based on multilateralism, reciprocal openness, a level playing field, and green, digital, health, social and innovation-based solutions in cooperation with third countries, while upholding respect for fundamental rights and shared values.

The resolution considered international R&I cooperation an integral part of the renewed European Research Area and called on the Commission to exploit the potential of the relevant Union actions and programmes to attract talent worldwide. In this regard, they recalled the need for continuous investment in researchers’ skills and careers, which should include supporting the brain circulation.

Parliament also stressed the key role that the European Institute of Innovation and Technology and the European Innovation Council can play in fostering international cooperation and unleashing the potential of **start-up and scale-up companies** through their participation in initiatives with third countries. It encouraged joint undertakings and other Union R&I partnerships to strengthen international cooperation.

The resolution underlined the crucial role of **semiconductors** in ensuring the digital sovereignty of the Union and welcomed the Commission’s initiatives in this regard.

Furthermore, the Commission and the Member States are called on to support and commit to more transfers of crucial environmental and climate-related technologies and solutions to developing countries. A stronger focus should also be made on health, preventive medicine and healthcare.

Parliament recommended intensifying collaboration with all interested and like-minded countries to find a long-term solution to the **shortage of raw materials**, and that global innovation capacities in materials science and the circular economy be increased while encouraging substitution, in order to **reduce the lifecycle environmental footprint** of these critical raw materials.

The renewed political support for deepening transatlantic cooperation through different trade and technological forums and support for the further intensification of **EU-US scientific collaboration** was welcomed by Parliament.

Lastly, Parliament strongly condemned Russia’s violent invasion of Ukraine and called on the EU to **cut all science and research cooperation** with the Russian Federation, Russian entities and European entities controlled by Russian entities, and to apply the same approach to any country supporting the Russian war efforts.