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Social Package step in the right direction but more ambitious measures are needed

Social Package

Today, the European Commission presented its Social Package. The Greens/EFA welcome this step in the right direction but call for more ambitious measures.

Greens/EFA President Bas Eickhout comments:

“What we are witnessing now in Europe is what happens when the cost of living increases but wages don’t. The Commission’s Social Package is a small step in the right direction. But we need to reverse the trend of deregulation and privatisation pushed by the far right that they use to keep corporations and greedy oligarchs satisfied. We need strong economic and social measures and ambitious public investments.”

MEP Maria Ohisalo, Greens/EFA Coordinator of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, comments:

“An increasing number of people in the EU can’t afford to have a decent, comfortable life. People need affordable homes, low energy bills and free healthcare: these measures, that would improve people’s lives, could be funded if everyone paid their fair share, including billionaires and tech giants. These are the things the Greens/EFA are pushing for more ambitious action on. We are also calling for the implementation of a mandatory Social Check: no European legislation should pass if it worsens inequality or leaves people behind.”

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