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Explanations of vote:

Report Filip Kaczmarek (A7-0205/2011)

*Pino Arlacchi (S&D ), in writing*. – I voted in favour of this report because it highlights the role played by local and regional authorities and their networks in increasing the impact of the European development policy. The rapporteur reiterates that the quest for a strong impact policy should not only be focused on a purely quantitative and short-term assessment of the results.

The text calls on the Commission to formulate a comprehensive assessment policy based on clear-cut criteria and indicators. In addition to this it urges the EU institutions and Member States to monitor and report on governance practices in developing countries (including fighting corruption, improving public financial management, enhancing transparency and upholding human rights). It is extremely important to focus on poverty eradication as the crucial criterion for the allocation of EU development aid.

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