

*Thursday, 23 June 2011 - Brussels*

*Explanations of vote:*

Rapport Marie-Thérèse Sanchez-Schmid

*Pino Arlacchi (S&D), in writing .* – Dear Mr. President, I voted in favour of this report because it stresses that the European territorial cooperation, with its significant contribution to the multi-level governance model, is one of the pillars of the cohesion policy.

Considering that the territorial cooperation has proved its effectiveness in promoting the harmonious development of the Union as a whole, it's now fundamental to increase its budget from the actual 2.5% to at least the 7% of the overall cohesion policy resources for the next programming period.

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