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**In document 15273/17 ADD 1, on page 10, item 9, the first paragraph of the Statement by Croatia, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia and Spain, supported by Italy and Lithuania, should read as follows:**

"As explained in our joint position paper on "Harmonised rules to boost the global competitiveness of the European **Union** through research and innovation", the experience in the current multiannual financial frameworks shows that effective synergies and coherence for R&I funding activities are still hampered in practice, by the different intervention logics and rules of the diverse funding schemes, and by the additional legal requirements, notably State Aid rules. It is essential to remove the discrepancies between EU programmes in order to make potential synergies operational and to maximise the impact of European R&I funding."

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