

**Question for written answer E-009198/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Recognition of qualifications

Directive 2005/36/EC governs the automatic recognition of qualifications and the general conditions of common tests at EU level. Common tests for particular professions can be introduced if they are accepted by one third of the Member States.

In 2012, nine EU Member States signed a memorandum of understanding which sets out the basic conditions for the Eurotest for ski instructors. On the basis of this Memorandum and Article 49b of the aforementioned directive, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts to establish the conditions required for taking and passing the test in the Member States.

The objective of the recognition of qualifications and common testing is to facilitate people's movement and employment throughout the EU. However, there is a danger that the states affected will impose conditions that will make it more difficult for the nationals of other Member States to obtain employment.

In the given example of ski instructors, this could make it difficult for them to find work in countries where there are more ski resorts and the ski season is longer.

In this connection:

1. What is the state of play as regards the adoption of the aforementioned delegated act?
2. How does the Commission plan to protect the current level of recognition and to improve the employment possibilities of ski instructors in ski resorts in other countries?