

**Question for written answer E-002996/2015/rev.1  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Nursery school teachers employed on temporary contracts in the Autonomous Province of Trento

Considering that:

- with the judgment in Case No C-22/13 of 26 November 2014, the European Court of Justice ruled that Italian legislation on fixed-term employment contracts in the school sector is contrary to EU law;
- the Court condemned Italy for violation of Directive 1999/70/EC and judged it unlawful for public authorities to issue successive fixed-term employment contracts to an employee for any period longer than 36 months;
- pursuant to Italian Ministerial Decree 353 of 22 May 2014, teachers who graduated prior to 2002 are recognised as being fully qualified, regardless of whether or not they have a university degree (prior to this date, it was not required for trainee nursery and primary school teachers in Italy to attend university; they instead obtained a diploma from a teacher training college or social sciences college);
- the Autonomous Province of Trento recently launched two competitive selection procedures for new teachers, instead of awarding permanent contracts to staff already employed on a temporary basis, many of whom have been waiting over a decade for a stable job;
- the selection procedure is discriminatory for a number of reasons, including on the basis of age, the failure to create permanent roles for temporary staff, and many other subtle factors which due to lack of space will not be listed here;
- this has affected many hundreds of people, who have formed an ad hoc committee called 'Insegnanti precari della scuola per l'infanzia' (Nursery school teachers employed on temporary contracts).

In light of the above:

- Does the Commission intend to give an opinion on this selection procedure, published through Regional Council Resolution No 12 of 12 January 2015, considering the above issues, and provide feedback on the way in which it is to be conducted?
- Does it intend to call on the national authorities to suspend the Regional Council Resolution until all necessary checks have been carried out as part of an internal review?