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Subject: Impact of the EURES platform on employment and recruitment in Europe

Unemployment in the European Union has recently reached a record level of 25 million, and this figure is showing little sign of falling.

The EURES platform is being presented to us as the beginning of a solution to combat unemployment, which would enable groups of people without jobs to move to areas where there is employment. This platform would bring together job offers and requests in all Member States and would be accessible to all; employers would thus be able to recruit any European citizen meeting the profile for the job, irrespective of their origin.

- 1. However, has the Commission taken into account the widely differing levels of education available in the Member States and the impact this will have on recruitment?
- 2. Can the Commission guarantee that we will not, in the medium or long term, see discrimination in favour of recruiting certain nationalities, given that the nationals of one Member State are better educated than those of another, and that the latter will not routinely find themselves unemployed while the former are fully employed?
- 3. How does the Commission propose to remedy the manifest discrepancies which exist in education in Europe, so as to ensure equality of recruitment opportunities?

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