

**Question for written answer E-013489/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Consequences of the EU General Court ruling on the recruitment process in the EU institutions

Several days ago, the General Court of the European Union annulled three recruitment notices which obliged candidates to select German, English or French as their second language and as the language of communication with the European Personnel Selection Office (EPSO), stating that candidates should be free to use any of the EU's official languages when communicating with EPSO and as their second language for selection procedures and competition tests. According to the Court, the obligation to choose one of the three permitted languages favours some potential candidates and discriminates against others.

- In view of the ruling, will the Commission take steps to adjust the rules for candidates' applications and for the testing of candidates for recruitment in the EU institutions?
- How will the ruling promote the selection of the best candidates for recruitment into the institutions without favouring candidates on linguistic grounds? EU