Question for written answer E-001355/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Jana Žitňanská (ECR)

Subject: Monitoring and evaluation of European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) in relation

to the Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (CRPD)

In relation to the implementation of the ESIF, the Commission has supplied Member States with template documents for the MA, the CA and the AA to complete. It is not, however, clear from these whether the Commission will have sufficiently detailed information, as the documents do not, for example, explain the term 'applicable law', nor do they specify that project selection criteria should comply with the CRPD.

How does the Commission intend to rectify this situation?

Has the Commission considered the option of carrying out its own evaluations of projects selected by Member States with the goal of facilitating the transition from institutional to community-based care, and/or of conducting audits of projects that have been approved, in order to examine the extent to which projects are in line with Article 19 of the CRPD?

The European Ombudsman has recommended that the Commission launch an online platform on which civil society could report abuses of funds and submit complaints. Does the Commission consider this suggestion to be a viable option?

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