Question for written answer E-004724/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Adam Szejnfeld (PPE)

Subject: European tracking system for pension rights

An increasing number of Europeans are taking advantage of mobility in the international labour market. Workers who move to another country often do not know the general state of their acquired pension rights because they are scattered across different countries and different systems. In these circumstances it is more difficult for EU citizens to make informed decisions about their careers or savings.

A two-year international project called Track and Trace Your Pension in Europe, which drew up a range of recommendations for the Commission regarding the creation of a European tracking system for pension rights, came to an end in March this year.

Such a system, covering all EU Member States, would be of undoubted benefit for both mobile workers who want to monitor their acquired pension rights and the entities paying pensions, which must maintain contact with their beneficiaries. One of the elements of such a system would be the creation of an online platform for calculating the individual pension rights of mobile EU citizens and for providing information on the operation of pension systems in individual countries, as well as on the most important changes in legislation.

The European tracking system for pension rights may become an important tool for achieving full freedom of movement of workers within the EU. Is the Commission planning to take any steps to implement such a service for mobile Europeans?

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