Question for written answer E-007107/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Viorica Dăncilă (S&D)

Subject: Driving licence for disabled people

Mobility is important to those with physical disabilities, as greater mobility equates to easier access to institutions and services.

Sometimes, these people – particularly those whose disability is the result of an accident – are on the receiving end of discrimination when they want to get a driving licence because their disability means that they present a 'danger to traffic'. The situation is more difficult for those who live in rural areas.

What strategy is the Commission considering with a view to developing programmes in collaboration with Member States to make it easier for disabled people to obtain driving licences? To what extent is the number of disabled people who hold a driving licence monitored at EU level? How can improvements be made to vehicles to ease access to them among disabled people?