Question for written answer P-004316/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Lucy Anderson (S&D)

Subject: Public procurement in the transport sector

The new EU Directives on public procurement (2014/23, 2014/24 and 2014/25) are expected to ensure better quality and value for money when public authorities buy works, goods or services, through award specifications being encouraged to put more emphasis on quality, environmental considerations, social aspects and innovation.

There is great potential added value in this new legislative framework, which Member States, the Commission, and other European institutions should be aiming to maximise. The revised laws should provide more legal certainty and assist in creating a stable and reliable environment for investment in high-quality public services and much-needed infrastructure.

The Directives were due to be transposed by Member States by the end of April 2016. Given the key importance of this new procurement framework, does the Commission know how many Member States have successfully transposed the new Directives? What action is being taken in relation to those who have not yet done so?

Furthermore, what plans does the Commission have regarding guidance and monitoring on procurement in the transport sector in particular, such as the specific EU criteria on green procurement in transport produced in 2012, as well as more general toolkits and assessment exercises?

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