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QUESTIONNAIRE

for Candidates for Membership of the Court of Auditors

Committee on Budgetary Control

Rapporteur:

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Professional experience

1. Please list your professional experience in public finance be it in budgetary planning, budget implementation or management or budget control or auditing.
2. What have been your most significant achievements in your professional career?
3. What has been your professional experience of international multicultural and multilingual organisations or institutions based outside your home country?
4. Have you been granted discharge for the management duties you carried out previously, if such a procedure applies?
5. Which of your previous professional positions were a result of a political nomination?
6. What are the three most important decisions to which you have been party in your professional life?

Independence

7. The Treaty stipulates that the Members of the Court of Auditors must be 'completely independent' in the performance of their duties. How would you act on this obligation in the discharge of your prospective duties?
8. Do you or your close relatives (parents, brothers and sisters, legal partner and children) have any business or financial holdings or any other commitments, which might conflict with your prospective duties?
9. Are you prepared to disclose all your financial interests and other commitments to the President of the Court and to make them public?
10. Are you involved in any current legal proceedings? If so, please provide us with details.
11. Do you have any active or executive role in politics, if so at what level? Have you held any political position during the last 18 months? If so, please provide us with details.
12. Will you step down from any elected office or give up any active function with responsibilities in a political party if you are appointed as a Member of the Court?
13. How would you deal with a major irregularity or even fraud and/or corruption case involving persons in your Member State of origin?

Performance of duties

14. What should be the main features of a sound financial management culture in any public service? How could the ECA help to enforce it?
15. Under the Treaty, the Court is required to assist Parliament in exercising its powers of

control over the implementation of the budget. How would you further improve the cooperation between the Court and the European Parliament (in particular, its Committee on Budgetary Control) to enhance both the public oversight of the general spending and its value for money?

16. What added value do you think performance auditing brings and how should the findings be incorporated in management procedures?
17. How could cooperation between the Court of Auditors, the national audit institutions and the European Parliament (Committee on Budgetary Control) on auditing of the EU budget be improved?
18. How would you further develop the reporting of the ECA to give the European Parliament all the necessary information on the accuracy of the data provided by the Member States to the European Commission?

Other questions

19. Will you withdraw your candidacy if Parliament's opinion on your appointment as Member of the Court is unfavourable?