

Amendment 21**Andreas Schieder**

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Report**A9-0215/2023****Vladimír Bilčík, Nathalie Loiseau**

Recommendations for reform of the European Parliament's rules on transparency, integrity, accountability and anti-corruption (2023/2034(INI))

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 49***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

49. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of all interest groups, NGOs and consultancies before they are listed in the Transparency Register, and for a review of all interest representatives currently registered; requests that these organisations also be transparent about the composition of their governing bodies and declare compliance with the relevant legal obligations, particularly financing and accounting obligations; calls for any consulting agencies wishing to register to be transparent about their client structure; requests that a clear legal definition of 'interest representatives' and 'NGO status' be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as all regular registrants;

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information could put them and their work at risk because of the application of repressive legislation such as 'foreign agents' laws and similar;

Or. en

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Amendment 22

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Paragraph 55

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Amendment

55. ***Restates its commitment to implementing a six-month*** cooling-off period for ***former MEPs***; stresses that this period should start immediately following the end of their term of office; considers that compliance with this cooling-off period should be monitored by the future EU ethics body;

55. ***States its intention to establish a*** cooling-off period for ***MEPs, which should last up to 24 months and at least as long as an MEP is entitled to receive the transitional allowance***; stresses that this period should start immediately following the end of their term of office; considers that compliance with this cooling-off period should be monitored by the future EU ethics body;

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 57***Motion for a resolution*

57. Believes that MEPs need to be more transparent about any paid side work they may do, applying revised and more precise rules regarding the disclosure of the amounts of side income earned, the position in which it is earned and the clients on whose behalf MEPs work for payment; reiterates its call for stricter rules for MEPs performing paid side work, with a special focus on restricting activities on behalf of organisations or individuals covered by the scope of the Transparency Register; commits to introducing a prohibition on MEPs performing paid side work for high-risk non-EU states or dependent entities during their term of office; considers that the Statute for Members of the European Parliament should be subject to legislative revision, with particular focus on side work; believes that Parliament needs to be more transparent about this matter; calls for MEPs' declarations on side work to be subject to institutional checks and supported by relevant documents, as is already the case in some Member States;

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MEPs' declarations on side work to be subject to institutional checks and supported by relevant documents, as is already the case in some Member States;

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 76***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

76. Notes that the current guidelines for NGOs and other stakeholders not covered by the Transparency Register have proved to be insufficient; stresses the need for a thorough check to be conducted prior to registration in the Transparency Register in order to reveal all funding sources; notes that funding from EU funds must be traceable from the direct recipient to the final beneficiary when it is passed on in a chain; calls for the guidelines for registration in the Transparency Register to be revised to include a requirement to disclose all incoming and outgoing funds, including the transfer of funds from one NGO or stakeholder to another;

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