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to the Commission**

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Subject: Online voting especially for senior citizens

Many European countries have successfully implemented online voting initiatives. Examples include the remarkably well-received implementation in Estonia, which was the first country to hold legally binding general elections online, as well as Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. A similar online initiative called e-Vote is planned for future elections to the European Parliament.

Will it be possible to organise an e-Vote in each Member State for the European Parliament elections in 2019? It could encourage citizens to vote, especially elderly people.

In Member States where e-Voting is already possible, what is the Commission doing to ensure that it is organised in an age-friendly manner for the EP elections? What measures are being put in place in order to facilitate voting for older people with visual impairments? What is being done about those who have no access to the internet, for example to guarantee that voters have access to alternative voting procedures?