Question for written answer E-001602/2018 to the Commission
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Subject: Each year, only 29 000 of the 1.1 million EU migrant workers are able to find employment

through EURES

Each year, some 1.1 million citizens move from one EU Member State to another in search of employment, availing themselves of a fundamental right, that of freedom of movement for workers.

According to a recent report by the European Court of Auditors (ECA), although a substantial proportion of European Social Fund resources are earmarked for measures to facilitate mobility, only 28 934 people found employment through EURES, the European job mobility portal, in 2016, that is to say just 3.7% of job seekers using this service and 2.5% of EU migrant workers as a whole.

In addition, the ECA found that most public employment services working together with EURES in the Member States are either unable or unwilling to keep any record of the actual number of work placements.

In view of this:

What measures will the Commission take to improve the efficiency of EURES and other mobility services, so as to help EU migrant workers find employment that offers secure conditions and entitlements, rather than allowing them to fall into the clutches of frequently unscrupulous private recruitment agencies?

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