

**Question for written answer E-003623/2019
to the Commission**
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Subject: Moral hazard as a result of the existence of different welfare state systems

Owing to increasing mobility within the EU, it has been possible to offset shortages of skilled workers. People in the EU are being brought closer together. In the public debate, however, the question is repeatedly posed as to whether the Member States' differing welfare state systems may be causing migratory movements.

- 1 In the Commission's view, is there a direct or indirect incentive for EU citizens to move to Member States with the highest welfare state benefit payments?
- 2 Might the level of child allowance be a reason for EU citizens to move to another Member State in spite of few (if any) employment opportunities there?
- 3 In the Commission's view, what scope is there for reducing moral hazard in this connection?