

Question for written answer E-005046/2020
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: European disability card

In 2016, the Commission launched the European disability card pilot project, with the aim of ensuring that there is mutual recognition of disability status and that people with disabilities are entitled to the same benefits when travelling from one Member State to another.

However, only a very small number of participants took part in the pilot project, which involved eight Member States: Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Italy, Malta, Romania and Slovenia.¹

Can the Commission say whether Spain has shown an interest in joining this pilot project and whether it has submitted an application?

Can the Commission report on the findings of the assessment of the pilot project?

What steps does the Commission intend to take to successfully introduce the European disability card throughout the Union in a harmonised way and thus ensure that people with disabilities are able to move and reside freely within the territory of the Member States with no fear of discrimination, in accordance with Article 26 of the European Charter of Fundamental Rights and Article 45 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union?

¹ <https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1139&langId=en>