

**Question for written answer E-006304/2020
to the Commission**

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Subject: Using the ECIPES programme to allocate funding directly in the interests of the citizens of Moldova

The ECIPES programme proposed for implementation in the Republic of Moldova seeks to provide grants for citizens of that country, via an online platform, for the renovation of energy-efficient domestic appliances.

Among the arguments in favour of these measures is that the renovation of green energy appliances will reduce electricity bills by EUR 150 a year. Using new (and old) or renovated domestic appliances also facilitates circular economy practices and implementation of the European Green Deal, stimulates consumption and creates jobs. The ECIPES programme is run on an online platform, and contributes to facets of the digital and ecological transition promoted through individuals.

Can the Commission, when implementing the ECIPES programme, allocate funding directly, thus harnessing the programme in the interests of the citizens of Moldova?

Is it possible to support the citizens, administrations and young people of Moldova through this civic initiative and programme, designed for ordinary citizens, by using the unallocated tranche of funding established in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commission and the Republic of Moldova of 24 November 2017?

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