

**Question for written answer E-001609/2021  
to the Commission**

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**Subject:** Maintaining a level playing field: the temporary framework to support the economy in the context of the coronavirus outbreak

In its communication on a fiscal policy response to the coronavirus pandemic, the Commission asserted its commitment to ensuring a coordinated and consistent policy response to the current crisis. Yet the figures published by the Commission show that, proportionately, levels of State aid differ immensely between the Member States. The race for State aid has only one set of rules, but the resources available to national governments do not. This discrepancy is leading to an intensification of the existing socio-economic disparities between EU regions and Member States.

1. What information does the Commission have on the actual available resources for State aid under the current schemes per Member State?
2. What measures is it taking to ensure that it obtains, in a timely manner, complete information on disbursed State aid, including EU funding managed by national authorities, per Member State?
3. Is it considering taking any steps to maintain a level playing field between Member States when it comes to ensuring a proportionate balance for assistance awarded in the form of State aid?