Question for written answer E-002545/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Günther Sidl (S&D)

Subject: Organisation of structural dialogues with Member States on the common agricultural policy strategic plan and transparency

According to the Commission working document of May 2020 entitled 'Analysis of links between CAP [common agricultural policy] Reform and Green Deal', a 'structural dialogue' should be organised between the Commission and the Member States during the preparatory phase of the CAP strategic plan in order to guarantee that future CAP strategic plans fully support the transition planned for in the European Green Deal. Putting in place sound processes for these structural dialogues and ensuring the dialogues are transparent are critical pre-conditions for ensuring that the CAP delivers on environmental and climate objectives.

- 1. How are these structural dialogues organised (which directorate-generals are involved, how they are involved, what are the working methods, what is the frequency of the meetings)?
- 2. Is the Commission planning to grant the public access to the documents (through the Commission register) that were circulated as part of the structured dialogues with Member States and, if not, what are its reasons for holding back this information?
- 3. How is the Commission ensuring that it has objective and balanced information for the dialogue with Member States and through which channels are national stakeholders, and potentially also geo hubs, allowed to inform the structural dialogue?