Question for written answer E-005046/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé (PPE)

Subject: Better implementation of Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional

qualifications

Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications provides for the establishment of common training frameworks making automatic recognition of qualifications for certain professions possible. This applies in particular to doctors, nurses, dental practitioners, veterinary surgeons, midwives and pharmacists.

Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/983 has since set out details of the alert mechanism allowing information to be circulated among the Member States about any restrictions or prohibitions on a professional practising in a particular country (use of forged qualifications, mistakes made and/or criminal acts, etc.). Unfortunately, there are still problems with forwarding this information, to the extent even that sometimes police records of the professionals concerned fail to arrive.

In May 2020, the Commission published an evaluation of the Directive's implementation. However, no reference is made therein to the fact that some professions that should have a common training framework do not. Physiotherapy professions, for example, suffer particularly from this, as the physiotherapy training provided in the various Member States can differ.

- 1. Will the Commission adopt new implementing acts for the alert mechanism in order better to ensure patients' safety?
- 2. Does it support the creation of a common training framework for physiotherapy professions?