

**Question for written answer E-005503/2021  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Vaccination uptake as a condition for obtaining funds from the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF)

According to some sources, obtaining funds from the RRF is contingent on vaccination uptake among the population of the Member State, i.e. Member States will not receive funds from the RRF unless they have a vaccination rate higher than 75%<sup>1</sup>. It also states that special attention should be paid to Central and Eastern Europe, where some countries are lagging behind in terms of vaccine introduction and preparations for the use of recovery funds.

1. Are the statements referred to in the article true?
2. If so, how is it possible for the EU, which is founded on the values of freedom and democracy, to introduce such repressive methods and conditions if it is an established fact that vaccinated citizens are not protected from falling ill, becoming infected or spreading the virus, or that the safety and effectiveness of vaccines against COVID-19 disease are much lower than initially claimed by vaccine manufacturers (Pfizer, AstraZeneca, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson)?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/europpblog/2021/05/18/the-eus-recovery-funds-should-be-released-when-europes-economies-can-reopen/>