

**Question for written answer E-000471/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Respect for human rights during student demonstrations in Italy

On 21 January 2022, Lorenzo Parelli, an 18-year-old student, was crushed to death by a girder on the last day of his training at a metalworking company in the province of Udine. On 28 January, students in several Italian cities decided to demonstrate in his memory and against the current Italian traineeship system. According to newspapers, the police in Turin, Milan, Rome and Naples sought to end the demonstrations violently, hitting students – many of whom under 16 years of age – even when they were on the ground or injured.

It therefore seems possible that a number of rights guaranteed by EU law and enshrined inter alia in the Charter of Fundamental Rights, including the right to human dignity, the right to the integrity of the person, the prohibition of torture and inhuman and degrading treatment, have been violated.

In the light of the above, can the Commission indicate:

1. whether it is aware of these facts and is following them closely;
2. how it intends to ensure respect for fundamental rights in the EU in connection with peaceful student demonstrations?