

**Question for written answer E-000541/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Commission controls in connection with the Dragtivism 3.0 project and protection of minors: how effective is the Erasmus+ funding system?

The Slovakian newspaper *The Standard*¹ has published an article stating that a project called Dragtivism 3.0 received financial support from the Erasmus+ programme even though it allegedly involves minors participating in events with sexually explicit content. The article says that as part of the project a video containing sexually explicit content, and involving the participation of a minor, was recorded and then published on YouTube.

As standing rapporteur on the Erasmus+ programme, I wish to express my concern about: the suitability of the project's content for the Erasmus+ programme, whose purpose is to promote education and exchanges; legal issues around the exposure of minors to explicit content; and the effectiveness of the Commission's controls in approving and monitoring projects which receive Erasmus+ funding.

Can the Commission therefore answer the following questions:

1. What mechanisms does it have to ensure that projects for young people are appropriate for their age and respect European values?
2. What measures is it taking to prevent minors from participating in projects with sexually explicit content, and how does it monitor the use of funds allocated to projects through the Erasmus+ programme?
3. How does it support young families through the Erasmus+ programme and how much funding has been allocated to support young people who have a family and wish to participate in an exchange through this programme?

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¹ <https://standard.sk/554957/aj-toto-platime-z-eu-slovenska-mladez-robi-striptiz-v-gej-bare>