

ORAL QUESTION H-0043/06
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to the Council

Subject: Free movement of persons

Within its borders the European Union ensures four freedoms – free movement of persons, services, goods and capital. It also guarantees freedom of establishment. These are fundamental freedoms and the EU will struggle to fulfil its potential if they are not extended to each and every citizen.

This year will see the end of the two-year transitional period in relation to the free flow of persons introduced by certain Member States at the time of the 2004 enlargement.

What is the Austrian Presidency's position on the decision by certain countries to extend the transitional period for a further three years?

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