

ORAL QUESTION H-0078/09
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to the Commission

Subject: Harmonisation of disability cards

Around 50 million Europeans – one 10th of the population of Europe – have some form of disability. Roughly one in four Europeans has a disabled family member. Despite the progress made in terms of social inclusion of persons with disabilities, there are still a number of barriers within the EU, for example regarding mutual recognition of identity cards indicating that the holder has a severe disability. Many disabled citizens experience problems abroad, such as being unable to use disabled parking spaces.

Is the Commission considering the possibility of harmonising severe disability cards in the EU along similar lines to the European health insurance card?

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