

**Question for oral answer O-000054/2018
to the Commission**

Rule 128

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on behalf of the Committee on Petitions

Subject: Responding to petitions on tackling precariousness and the abusive use of fixed-term contracts

Having regard to the numerous petitions received by the Committee on Petitions on precariousness and the abusive use of fixed-term contracts in work relations, in the public and private sectors, and the outcome of the hearing on this subject held on 22 November 2017, could the Commission respond to the following questions:

In the opinion of the Commission, is EU law being correctly implemented with respect to the protection of workers?

Could the Commission shed light on the question of the compatibility of zero hours contracts, used in some Member States, with EU legislation including the Part-time Work Directive?

What action is the Commission taking to ensure the correct implementation of European labour legislation and to address the abusive use of fixed-term contracts and precarious employment forms such as zero hours contracts as described in the petitions?

In what concrete way is the Commission currently ensuring the proper implementation of the Fixed-term Work Directive in both the public and private sectors?

How does the Commission envisage that the proposal for a directive on transparent and predictable working conditions in the EU could improve working conditions by increasing the predictability and sustainability of employment?

What measures is the Commission taking in addition to the proposed Directive to improve EU labour legislation and better protect workers' rights, taking into account EU competences and the subsidiarity principle?

What is the state of play of current infringement procedures referred to in the petitions on violations of EU labour legislation?

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