

**Priority question for written answer P-001170/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Appointment procedures for TEN-T Coordinators

Under Regulation (EU) 1315/2013¹ and its revision, the Commission has the right to nominate coordinators for the corridors and horizontal priorities of the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T). The Regulation does not go into detail about the procedures for selecting and approving candidates, so it is unclear how the Commission decides upon particular candidates or what remuneration or privileges coordinators are entitled to. Moreover, while the calibre of existing coordinators is beyond doubt, it appears that most coordinators are former politicians or MEPs from the three largest political groups in the European Parliament, which could lead some to believe they are also political appointees. In light of this:

1. Could the Commission explain in detail the procedures for identifying, screening, and nominating candidates, who is involved and who makes the final decision before the submission of nominees to Council and Parliament?
2. Could the Commission specify the remuneration, privileges and other benefits that coordinators are entitled to?
3. Could the Commission justify the preponderance of former MEPs and politicians affiliated with the three biggest political groups in Parliament in the current team of coordinators?

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¹ OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 1.