

Question for written answer E-014468/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Accessibility of public documents from the EU institutions

Awareness-raising strategies by the EU on the rights of people with disabilities do not include all institutions and all levels, and leave out certain groups of people with disabilities. Indeed, the relevant UN committee has expressed concern at the fact that public campaigns, statements and other documents published by the EU institutions are not in accessible formats.

Furthermore, the committee recommends that the EU develop a far-reaching awareness campaign in relation to the Convention to combat discrimination against persons with disabilities, including women and girls, particularly those with psychosocial disabilities, learning disabilities, and elderly people with disabilities. It also recommends that all materials related to capacity building and training, awareness-raising, public statements and other areas should be accessible.

1. What measures is the Commission planning to take to ensure that all documents are accessible, especially as regards easy-to-read formats?
2. At present, how is document accessibility being introduced into the awareness-raising campaigns of individual EU institutions?