Question for written answer E-003076/2024 to the Commission Rule 144 Brando Benifei (S&D)

Subject: Lack of transparency in the Ministry of Education and Merit's decision not to publish the reserve lists of NRRP competitions for teaching posts

The Italian Ministry of Education and Merit (MIM) is about to announce new NRRP (National Recovery and Resilience Plan) competitions for teachers, even though the candidates who passed previous competitions without securing jobs are still available. While the MIM announced the winners of the most recent competitions, it did not publish reserve lists ranking the other successful candidates, thereby preventing them from obtaining certification. This lack of transparency is a violation of the right to information and gives rise to critical disparities in how educational staff in Italy – who already have to contend with a lack of job security and unfair working conditions – are treated. A number of teachers are pondering an appeal to Lazio's Regional Administrative Court (TAR) and, as regards the competitions launched under Decree DDG No 2575/2023 and Decree DDG No 2576/2023, are calling on the MIM to publish reserve lists of successful candidates for whom no jobs were available at the time, while also requesting that these lists be used to fill currently vacant posts.

In the light of the above:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of the situation concerning Italy's NRRP competitions and the lack of transparency in publishing the names of all successful candidates?
- 2. Does the Commission believe that the decision to launch new competitions for teaching posts instead of filling vacancies with qualified candidates who passed previous competitions without securing jobs complies with EU rules governing NRRP competitions?

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