

**Priority question for written answer P-002324/2024  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
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**Subject:** Commission's policy on antisemitism and the IHRA working definition of antisemitism

In its activities tackling antisemitism, the Commission says it regards the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) working definition of antisemitism as 'the benchmark' and cooperates with the Israeli Government, including in the EU-Israel High Level Seminar on combating racism, xenophobia and antisemitism.

1. In view of a recent study<sup>1</sup> revealing that the Commission had misrepresented the results of a 2018 key survey by the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) with regard to the IHRA definition of antisemitism, can the Commission confirm it will henceforth refrain from such misrepresentations, in line with its declared commitment to evidence-based policymaking, also when addressing the most recent FRA survey, published in July 2024?
2. Recalling an earlier statement by Commission Coordinator on combating antisemitism Katharina von Schnurbein, which denied that the EU is conditioning its funding based on the IHRA definition of antisemitism<sup>2</sup>, can the Commission confirm it does not and will not apply any IHRA definition-based funding conditionality when granting and controlling EU funding?
3. How does the Commission address and counter the escalating political instrumentalisation of antisemitism by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and government ministers targeting, among others, the UN Secretary-General and UN human rights bodies, the International Criminal Court and the International Court of Justice?

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<sup>1</sup> European Middle East Project, 'Does the IHRA working definition of antisemitism reflect the views of most European Jews? An assessment of the evidence from the 2018 survey of the EU Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)', July 2024, <https://archive.jpr.org.uk/object-4216>.

<sup>2</sup> <https://x.com/kschnurbein/status/1600847328449277952>.