

**Question for written answer E-002913/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Self-selection bias in the composition of citizen panels and youth dialogues

Speaking at his hearing on 5 November 2024, the Commissioner for Democracy, Justice, the Rule of Law and Consumer Protection, Michael McGrath, said he wanted to champion citizens' panels and youth dialogues. It was already apparent from the Future of Europe Conference that predominantly citizens with strong pro-EU views accepted the EU's invitation to participate on citizens' panels, and that more eurosceptic citizens were less motivated to participate in the decision-making process¹.

1. What will the Commission do to avoid self-selection bias in the selection of citizens and young people, so that the composition of the panels reflects the plurality of views on European integration in the EU?
2. For example, prior to getting to work, is the Commission considering surveying members of citizens' panels and youth dialogues about their political views, and comparing these results with Eurobarometer results? What other monitoring measures is the Commission considering?

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¹ Written questions E-001180/2022 en E-001182/2022.