

**Question for written answer E-002499/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Criteria for EU economic assistance to Mexico

In its answer to my question E-00632/2025¹, the Commission said that EU ‘support in Mexico funds civil society organisations focused on democratic, social, and economic development’, adding that ‘[a]ssistance also extends to inclusive and green reforms via [...] United Nations agencies’.

It is alarming that foreign civil organisations are being funded, given the criticism of the Commission’s funding for green NGOs which use those funds to lobby for European climate policies². In the light of the above:

1. Which Mexican civil society organisations have received European financial support, in what amounts and under which category?
2. What criteria are used to define ‘inclusive and green reforms’ in Mexico and decide on the amount of funding?
3. Considering the serious state of affairs arising from drug trafficking (more than 460 000 murders connected to organised crime since 2006³, murder rates of more than 100 per 100 000 residents in some states⁴ and structural impunity, with more than 90 % of crimes going unreported and only 1 % of reported crimes leading to a sentence⁵), does the Commission believe that the priority for Mexico should be carrying out inclusive and green reforms via the UN?

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¹ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-000632-ASW_ES.html

² https://www.eldebate.com/campo-y-caza/20250129/pagos-ue-organizaciones-ambientalistas-retumban-bruselas_265003.html

³ <https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/28172807/worlds-murder-capital-holiday-cartel-warzone-colima-mexico;>
<https://www.wsj.com/world/americas/inside-mexicos-new-plan-to-take-on-cartel-violence-fcff2a54>

⁴ <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/international/us/why-has-this-tourist-hotspot-in-mexico-turned-into-worlds-murder-capital-know-about-cartels-and-gang-wars/articleshow/110541244.cms?from=mdr>

⁵ <https://globalpressjournal.com/americas/mexico/impunity-mexico-93-crimes-go-unreported>