

Question for written answer E-003557/2025

to the Commission

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Subject: The Commission's announcement of the global health resilience initiative

In her 2025 State of the Union address, Commission President Ursula von der Leyen announced that the EU will lead a new global health resilience initiative, aimed at tackling global health disinformation and strengthening global preparedness.

While the political ambition and announcement that the EU must take the lead on global health are welcome, the initiative comes at a time when global health funding is under severe pressure. However, the details of the initiative remain unclear. Notably, the initiative was not included in the letter of intent accompanying the address, and no financial envelope or implementation mechanism was announced.

1. Can the Commission provide further details on the scope, objectives and expected activities, including with international partners, under the global health resilience initiative, and how this will complement existing initiatives, such as the global health strategy?
2. What is the timeline for the development and implementation of this initiative, and which Commission services or directorates-general will be responsible?
3. Will the initiative include dedicated funding, either from the EU budget, existing health programmes, such as EU4Health, or other instruments, such as the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument or its potential substitute?

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