

**Question for written answer E-004441/2025
to the Commission**
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Subject: Ensuring equal rights across borders: recognising disability status throughout the European Union

The European Trade Union Institute warns that despite the adoption of European invalidity and parking cards in October 2024, true freedom of movement remains out of reach for over 100 million people with disabilities. As disability status and its related benefits are assessed differently across Member States, individuals recognised as disabled in one country can lose their status when moving to another, often facing years of status reassessment and loss of income and care. This fragmentation undermines both the single market's social dimension and the EU's commitment to equality and inclusion. For citizens in Romania and across the EU, this legal gap translates into economic insecurity, social exclusion and barriers to labour mobility.

What concrete measures does the Commission intend to take to harmonise disability assessment systems, ensure the mutual recognition of disability status and benefits across Member States, and guarantee that persons with disabilities can fully exercise their right to free movement and equal participation in Europe's economic and social life?

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