

**Question for written answer E-001732/2026
to the Commission**

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Subject: Meta ‘elections operations centers’

Meta Platforms has stated that during election periods, it activates structures known as ‘elections operations centers’, dedicated to monitoring the integrity of information and combating disinformation and coordinated interference.

For the Italian elections (2018, 2022) and the 2024 European elections, the company has indicated the use of interdisciplinary teams, including former members of US intelligence services, however, without making key details public such as selection criteria, the chain of command and operational procedures. At the same time, independent analyses have shown significant variations in the visibility of political content during election periods.

The Commission is therefore asked:

1. Does it possess information on the structure, functioning and oversight mechanisms of the ‘elections operations centers’ set up by Meta in the EU and whether these practices comply with the transparency obligations laid down in the Digital Services Act?
2. Does it intend to examine the role of staff with previous experience in security or intelligence in the definition and application of policies on political content?
3. Will the ongoing investigation into the visibility of political content online include a specific assessment of the impact, at Union level, of moderation and ranking systems during the 2024 European elections?

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