

Question for written answer E-003887/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: EU-India agreement and the influx of workers and jobs in Poland

The EU and India have negotiated a free trade agreement. On 11 September 2026, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposals for signature and conclusion of the agreement. The agreement facilitates the temporary entry into the EU of Indian nationals providing services, including in the IT sector, and intra-corporate transferees.

The EU and India also plan to recruit staff through the EU Talent Pool and the EU office set up in India in February 2026. In addition, their 2030 cooperation agenda envisages increasing student exchanges and facilitating the recognition of qualifications. Graduates from India can stay in the EU after their studies to look for a job.

The economic analysis of the agreement published by the Commission does not estimate how many workers might come from India, nor how their arrival would affect employment and wages in the EU and in individual Member States.

1. How many Indian nationals can take up employment or provide services in the EU under the provisions of the agreement, the EU Talent Pool, the activities of the office in India and the post-study residence scheme – broken down by country, sector and basis for residence?
2. Has the Commission assessed the impact of the arrival of these people and the possible increase in services provided from India on employment and wages in Polish IT and business services centres?
3. Before the European Parliament votes on its consent to the agreement, will the Commission supplement its analysis to include these impacts? If not, why not?

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