

**Priority question for written answer P-002174/2024
to the Commission**

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Subject: Attendance of fossil fuel lobbyists at COP29

According to a report by the Corporate Europe Observatory¹, the EU and its Member States took 132 fossil fuel lobbyists to the 28th UN Climate Change Conference (COP28). In total, more than 2 400 fossil fuel lobbyists² attended last year's COP. Scientific evidence shows that fossil fuel companies have downplayed the impacts of emissions and have delayed or blocked climate policies.

1. Will the Commission include individuals with direct financial ties to the fossil fuel supply chain in the EU delegation to COP29, and if so, how many, and from which organisations?
2. Will the Commission implement a policy that excludes fossil fuel lobbyists from the EU delegation at the next and all future COPs?
3. Can the Commission commit to taking the lead on establishing an accountability framework within the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), based on the model contained in the World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, that would protect UNFCCC negotiations from undue influence from the fossil fuel industry?

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¹ <https://corporateeurope.org/en/2023/12/eu-floods-cop28-climate-talks-fossil-fuel-lobbyists-0>.

² <https://kickbigpollutersout.org/articles/release-record-number-fossil-fuel-lobbyists-attend-cop28>.