

**Priority question for written answer P-003288/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: EU funding and potential financing of terrorism through Islamic Relief
Deutschland e.V. and Islamic Relief Worldwide

In its reply to a question¹ from Dr Anna Rathert, a Member of the German Bundestag and of the AfD parliamentary working group on foreign affairs, the German Federal Government confirmed that staff at both Islamic Relief Deutschland e.V. and its umbrella organisation, Islamic Relief Worldwide, have significant links with the Muslim Brotherhood². In 2014, Islamic Relief Worldwide was banned in Israel as a terrorist organisation and in the United Arab Emirates for financing terrorism³.

1. Does Islamic Relief Deutschland or Islamic Relief Worldwide currently hold a valid framework partnership agreement or an EU humanitarian partnership certificate, and, as of 7 August 2026, how much direct or indirect funding has the Commission paid to the organisations each year since 2013?
2. Has the Commission conducted a review of the Framework Partnership Agreement or an EU humanitarian partnership certificate with ‘Islamic Relief’ organisations in the light of the classifications of third countries and of the organisations’ proximity to the Muslim Brotherhood, and is the Commission proactively engaging with Member States when doubts arise as to the reliability of partner organisations certified by DG ECHO?

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¹ <https://dserver.bundestag.de/btd/21/067/2106719.pdf>

² <https://dserver.bundestag.de/btd/21/070/2107057.pdf>

³ https://www.focus.de/politik/deutschland/regierung-foerderte-unter-steinmeier-islamismusnahe-verein-mit-15-millionen-euro-und-verstiess-damit-gegen-eigenen-extremisten-erlass_5cd5c1bd-c160-47f0-9356-fbc8e5bd1d3c.html