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**Priority question for written answer P-003497/25
to the Commission
Jan-Christoph Oetjen (Renew)
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Subject: Appointment of the Solidarity Coordinator

According to the Common Implementation Plan for the Pact on Migration and Asylum ⁽¹⁾, the Commission had the obligation to ‘appoint the Solidarity Coordinator and provide for the necessary resources to effectively carry out the tasks’ by the beginning of 2025. However, nothing on this has been published so far.

1. Who is the Solidarity Coordinator, when was he or she appointed and what was the reasoning behind the Commission’s choice?
2. What exactly is the scope of the new position and what concrete tasks does it entail?
3. How does the Commission rate the progress regarding the implementation of the solidarity mechanism in the different Member States and how has the Solidarity Coordinator contributed to the process so far?

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**Answer given by Mr Brunner on behalf of the European Commission
(5 November 2025)**

The Commission announced the appointment of the EU Solidarity Coordinator during the meeting of the Solidarity Platform ‘Pact’ ⁽¹⁾ in April 2025, as recalled in the communication on ‘State of play on the implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum’, published on 11 June 2025 ⁽²⁾.

In light of his position in overseeing the Pact implementation, Mr Michael Schotter ⁽³⁾, Director for Migration and Asylum at the Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs in the Commission, currently performs the role of the EU Solidarity Coordinator.

The role and tasks of the EU Solidarity Coordinator are set out in Regulation EU 2024/1351 ⁽⁴⁾, Articles 15 and 60, and in Regulation 2024/1359 ⁽⁵⁾, Article 7.

The Commission is working to ensure that the solidarity mechanism will work on the ground. To prepare the implementation of the solidarity mechanism, the Commission convened three Solidarity Platform ‘Pact’ meetings in April, July and September 2025. The Commission will also launch the annual migration management cycle in accordance with Regulation EU 2024/1351.

¹ Commission communication of 12 June 2024 entitled ‘Common Implementation Plan for the Pact on Migration and Asylum’ (COM(2024)0251).

⁽¹⁾ The Solidarity Platform ‘Pact’ format has been created to support the Member States in implementing the Voluntary Solidarity Mechanism and will transition towards the becoming the Technical-Level EU Solidarity Forum.

⁽²⁾ Commission Communication ‘State of play on the implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum’, 11 June 2025, <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52025DC0319>.

⁽³⁾ https://op.europa.eu/en/web/who-is-who/person/-/person/COM_0000C4AD2.

⁽⁴⁾ Articles 15 and 60 of Regulation EU 2024/1351 of 14 May 2024 on asylum and migration management, amending Regulations (EU) 2021/1147 and (EU) 2021/1060 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 604/2013; and Article 7 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1359 addressing situations of crisis and *force majeure* in the field of migration and asylum and amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1147.

⁽⁵⁾ Regulation (EU) 2024/1359 addressing situations of crisis and *force majeure* in the field of migration and asylum and amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1147.