

**Priority question for written answer P-000351/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Commission influence on Parliament through lobby groups

It has recently come to light that the Commission has been trying to support the spread of e-mobility by funding lobby groups under the Programme for the Environment and Climate Action.¹

1. To what extent does the Commission regard it as compatible with the principles of separation of powers and of democratic decision-making for NGOs to be tasked with influencing how MEPs vote?
2. What action does the Commission plan to take to make such support more transparent and prevent possible conflicts of interest?
3. Is the Commission planning to review or amend existing contracts with NGOs under the Programme for the Environment and Climate Action?

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¹ https://www.focus.de/auto/news/umstrittene-finanzierung-eu-bezahlt-gruene-pressure-groups-zur-durchsetzung-ihrer-elektroauto-agenda_id_260659379.html