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Pay Transparency

Quote from Kira Peter-Hansen MEP

Today, the European Commission has presented its proposal for a directive on pay transparency. The aim of the proposal is to achieve more equal pay between women and men. The proposal for a directive will apply to all employers and those with more than 250 employees will be obliged to report publically. The Greens/EFA have long demanded transparency on the pay of men and women.

Kira Peter-Hansen MEP, Greens/EFA Coordinator in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee, comments:

"This legislation, long demanded by the Greens/EFA group, is an important step in the fight for equal pay for women and men. By proposing a directive for companies in all Member States to publish data on the gender pay gap, the EU is establishing itself as a major political player in the fight against gender discrimination.

"In the coming months, we will work to strengthen this proposal in the Parliament in order to remedy the injustice of gender discrimination: Equal pay for equal work must be the rule inside the EU and sanctions must be applied in case of non-respect of this fundamental right."

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