

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Will you recognize PAD & BE as a group affected by a specific form of racism across the European Union?

Yes. By pushing the European Commission for a comprehensive strategy for fighting hate crime, bias violence and discrimination in the EU and working to ensure that in all questions of racism and discrimination that relevant authorities take into account the specific situation of People of African Descent and Black Europeans.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Will you support the demand for updated, coherent, reliable and comparable data on PAD & BE to be collected in collaboration with representatives from the relevant communities, on a voluntary basis, in accordance with the right to informational selfdetermination and in full respect of data protection standards including the anonymized processing of data?

Yes, but only if - as proposed - it is voluntary and in full respect of data protection standards.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Is your party in favor of the European Commission proposing the adoption of an EU framework for national inclusion strategies of PAD & BE by the Member States?

Yes

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Are you in support of installing and upholding affirmative action practices such as quotas in public institutions on all job levels (top to down) with a mandatory representation of no less than 20 % of People of Color and PAD & BE?

In general for a quota yes, by including affirmative action proposals and practices as part of our call for a comprehensive strategy for fighting hate crime, bias violence and discrimination in the EU. But I think that 20% might be quite high for some regions.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you in support of independent commissions of inquiries to investigate the reasons behind the disproportionate incarceration and partial sentencing of PAD & BE in European Member States? Yes

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you for the penalization of all use of derogatory language, images and actions linked to the transatlantic slave trade and Black enslavement under the according national & European law? Yes

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you in favor of asylum seekers to have the freedom to choose which country they seek asylum in within the EU irrespective of the country of arrival, and to have the option to apply to any other country if their case has not been fairly treated, according to the standards established by criteria defined by refugee and asylum seekers organizations?

Yes

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Do you support the abolishment of Dublin II, and that asylum seekers are not deported to the first country where they were seeking asylum?

Yes

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Do you agree that EU funded educational, media and social media campaigns must target specific groups identified as being deprived of the full enjoyment of their human rights?

Yes. Through our representatives on the Culture and Education Committee in the European Parliament we will propose amendments and seek provisions for this to be included in any EU recommendations on education and the media in order to ensure that racist content and imagery is tackled. This must be ensured through EU legislation obliging Member States to follow anti-racism culture and media guidelines.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you for the establishment of a fund to support public programs, education and scholarships on and for PAD & BE across all member states that raises awareness for the continued contribution of PAD & BE to Europe's economic, public and cultural life?

Yes. We will look for ways to highlight the potential of such awareness campaigns and will work closely with relevant NGOs to remain informed of any opportunities to do so.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you in favor of the removal of racist and stereotypical images and content, derogatory terms directed towards PAD & BE from all educational materials and for the replacement with materials free of stereotypical or derogatory images of Black people and people of African Descent? Yes

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Are you in favor of revising in consultation with civil society groups (e.g. experts) of PAD & BE, the school curriculum at all appropriate levels to include content about the history, cultures and achievements of PAD in order to depict a global historical reality?

Yes. As an issue mostly for Member States and not European institutions this question is probably more pertinent for our representatives at the national level. But where the EU may seek to issue recommendations or guidelines related to this area we would certainly look to coordinate with civil society groups in order to achieve the aims you set out on this matter.

The European Network of PAD & BE asks:

Will you legislate for interdisciplinary Africana studies departments for research and curriculum development at the major universities and higher education institutions with a focus not limited to European colonial history and the transatlantic enslavement of Africans and Black enslavement and its aftermath?

Yes, if given the opportunity. Again, this is a question better directed to national parliamentarians.