

## THE 12 ETHICAL PROPOSALS BY ANTICOR FOR THE EUROPEAN ELECTIONS ON JUNE 9, 2024

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For the June 2024 European elections, which will see the election of 720 Members of the European Parliament (81 from France), Anticor is putting forward several priorities to enhance trust in European democratic life.

These proposals address both public decision-makers and the legislative functioning of the European Union. We urge the future elected officials to embrace the thematic reform avenues suggested by Anticor to ensure a fair and free Europe.

**Proposal 1 Integrity of candidates** - Require candidates to be in good standing with the tax authorities and to have a clean criminal record. Extend this obligation to MEPs during their term of office.

**Proposal 2 Transparency of parliamentary activities** - Make it compulsory to systematically report on the European Parliament website on the activities of MEPs and their staff, their attendance, amendments written or supported, work and votes in committee and plenary. Automatically penalize absenteeism from plenary sessions by reducing remuneration.

**Proposal 3 Transparency of Additional Allowances** - Require justification for the use of general expenses allowances (€4,950 monthly), shifting from the envelope system to an advance system with the obligation to provide receipts. Extend this practice to expenses incurred by or on behalf of the MEP's staff. Sanction any abuse.

**Proposal 4 European Ethics Body** - Establish an independent body responsible for monitoring the effectiveness of ethics and integrity rules applicable in the institutions and agencies of the European Union. Provide for the possibility for associations accredited by this body to lodge complaints.

**Proposal 5 Fight against conflicts of interest** - Require all European public officials to complete a declaration of assets and interests as soon as they take office, and to update it whenever there is a change. Regulate all parallel activities and reconversions, particularly in lobbying.

**Proposal 6 Strict control of lobbying** - Make the Transparency Register, containing information on interest representatives, mandatory and common to all three institutions (European Parliament, Council of the European Union and European Commission). Impose a "normative footprint" and organize the traceability of texts, from drafting to voting.

**Proposal 7 Ban on gifts** - Ensure the effectiveness of the ban on interest representatives offering gifts or trips to members of parliament.

**Proposal 8 Fight against corruption** - Adopt a new European directive on the protection of European democratic interests and strengthen the powers of the European Public Prosecutor's Office.

**Proposal 9 Fight against tax evasion** - Add non-cooperative European states to the list of tax havens and strengthen preventive measures against tax avoidance.

**Proposal 10 Corporate Law** - Enable access to economically significant data by abolishing the directive on trade secrets.

**Proposal 11 Media Freedom and Plurality** - Limit media concentration to ensure transparency, information pluralism, and preserve media independence.

**Proposal 12 Whistleblower Protection** - Establish a fund to financially support whistleblowers and penalize gag lawsuits.

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### About Anticor

Anticor is an association founded in 2002 to combat corruption and restore ethics in politics. Its aim is to restore the relationship of trust that must exist between citizens and their political and administrative representatives. The association brings together citizens and elected representatives of all political persuasions who are committed to upholding the requirements of democracy.