

**Question for written answer
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Transparency of Commission “chance”-meetings in the margins of conferences and events

Journalist Samuel Stolton has reported¹ that in spite of the company Palantir having made a record in their transparency register with the European Commission of their CEO’s meeting, in the margins of Davos, with Commission President von der Leyen, the Commission seems to have kept no records of the Davos meeting between President von der Leyen and Palantir CEO. This discrepancy between the records kept by a private company and the records kept by the Commission, seems to contradict the political guidelines on ethics, transparency and integrity communicated for the 2019-2024 term of President von der Leyen.

- 1 How will the Commission ensure that records are kept of all substantive meetings held, regardless of them being organised by previous agreement or by chance encounters?
- 2 Moreover, how will the Commission ensure that the records kept will not be reduced to a lowest common denominator, if private companies are seen to keep more detailed records than the EU Commission?

¹ <https://www.euractiv.com/section/data-protection/news/commission-kept-no-records-on-davos-meeting-between-von-der-leyen-and-palantir-ceo/>