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EU Whistleblower Protection Directive approved

Quote from Benedek Jávor MEP

Today, the European Parliament has just approved the outcome of trilogue negotiations on the EU Whistleblower Protection Directive. The Directive will give legal guarantees and protection to those individuals who want to speak out when they encounter wrong-doing in the work place.

Benedek Jávor MEP, Greens/EFA spokesperson on transparency and democracy, comments:

"For the first time across the EU, those who wish to expose corruption, wrong doing and illegality in the workplace will be able to come forward safe in the knowledge that they will have legal guarantees and rights to protection. This Directive has been a long time coming and is a shining example of how the EU can directly improve the lives of citizens.

"Whistleblowers deserve the utmost protection no matter where they are, not persecution and prison cells. Now it's up to the Member States to turn this Directive into national law and we call on all EU countries to improve on the standards of this text and make it as wide ranging, comprehensive and inclusive as possible."

The Greens/EFA group are co-hosting an event on the future of the EU Whistleblower Protection Directive with Lux Leaks Whistleblower Antoine Deltour, at 15h00-16h00, 17 April, in the European Parliament, Strasbourg, ROOM R3.1. Details here: https://whistleblowerprotection.eu/blog/future-of-whistleblower-directive/

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