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European Parliament votes to protect whistleblowers

Citizens across Europe should be able to speak up about crimes

The European Parliament has today (Tues 14 Feb) voted in favour of a report on the protection of whistleblowers. Commenting after the vote, Greens/EFA transparency spokesperson **Benedek Jávor said:**

"The European Parliament has once again called on the Commission to propose a horizontal directive to ensure the proper protection of whistleblowers across the EU. The Greens have been pushing for EU-wide legislation that would protect whistleblowers in all areas of EU competence. This way, citizens across Europe will be able to speak up about environmental crimes, human rights violations and other wrongdoing without fear of reprisal.

"We also want to see the establishment of an independent body to receive alerts about budgetary fraud affecting the EU. Whistleblowers play a crucial role in preventing and uncovering fraud and mismanagement of the EU budget and there needs to be a secure channel for them to share vital information."

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