

DECISIONS

DECISION (EU, Euratom) 2021/1271 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSION

of 26 July 2021

appointing the Director of the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 6(3) thereof,

Having regard to the list of candidates proposed on 15 July 2021 by a selection committee composed of the Secretaries-General of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission following an open call for candidates with a view to the appointment of the Director of the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 6(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 establishes an Authority for European political parties and European political foundations.
- (2) Article 6(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 provides for the Director of the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations to be appointed for a non-renewable term of five years by common accord of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission, on the basis of proposals made by a selection committee composed of the Secretaries-General of those institutions following an open call for candidates,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Mr Pascal SCHONARD is hereby appointed as Director of the Authority on European political parties and European political foundations for the period from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2026.
2. The Director shall be appointed as a temporary agent at grade AD 12, step 1.
3. The appointment is subject to the signing, by the Director designate, of the declaration of independence and absence of conflict of interests that is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJL 317, 4.11.2014, p. 1.

Done at Brussels, 26 July 2021.

For the European Parliament
The President
D. M. SASSOLI

For the Council
The President
J. PODGORŠEK

For the Commission
Vice-President
M. ŠEFČOVIČ

ANNEX

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND ABSENCE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

I, the undersigned,, declare that I have taken note of Article 6(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations and will exercise my functions as Director of the Authority on European political parties and European political foundations ('the Authority') fully independently and in full compliance with the rules of that Regulation. When acting on behalf of the Authority, I will neither seek nor take instructions from any institution or government, or from any other body, office or agency. I will refrain from any act which is incompatible with the nature of my duties.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge, I am not in a situation of conflict of interests. A conflict of interests exists where the impartial and objective exercise of the functions of Director of the Authority is compromised for reasons involving family, personal life, political, national, philosophical or religious affinity, economic interest or any other shared interest with a recipient of funding under Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014. In particular, I declare that I am not a member of the European Parliament, I do not hold any electoral mandate and I am not, and never have been, an employee of a European political party or of a European political foundation.

Done at [...],

[DATE + SIGNATURE of the Director designate]
