

**Parties to the main proceedings**

*Appellants:* ZR, AR and BS

*Respondent authority:* Bezirkshauptmannschaft Hartberg-Fürstenfeld

*Interested party:* Finanzpolizei

**Questions referred**

1. Must Article 56 TFEU, Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services <sup>(1)</sup> and Directive 2014/67/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the enforcement of Directive 96/71/EC <sup>(2)</sup> be interpreted as precluding a national provision which, for infringements of formal obligations in connection with the cross-border deployment of labour, such as a failure to make available documents relating to pay or to report to the Central Coordination Office (ZKO notifications), provides for very high fines, in particular high minimum penalties, which are imposed *cumulatively* in respect of each worker concerned?
2. If the answer to Question 1 is in the negative:

Must Article 56 TFEU, Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services and Directive 2014/67/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the enforcement of Directive 96/71/EC be interpreted as precluding the imposition of cumulative fines for infringements of formal obligations in connection with the cross-border deployment of labour *which have no absolute upper limits*?

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ 1997 L 18, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ 2014 L 159, p. 11.

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**Request for a preliminary ruling from the Landesverwaltungsgericht Steiermark (Austria) lodged on 14 November 2018 — ZR, BS, AR**

**(Case C-713/18)**

(2019/C 122/05)

*Language of the case:* German

**Referring court**

Landesverwaltungsgericht Steiermark

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**Request for a preliminary ruling from the Hoge Raad der Nederlanden (Netherlands) lodged on 17 December 2018 — Stichting Schoonzicht, other party to the proceedings: Staatssecretaris van Financiën**

**(Case C-791/18)**

(2019/C 122/06)

*Language of the case: Dutch*

## Referring court

Hoge Raad der Nederlanden

## Parties to the main proceedings

Applicant: Stichting Schoonzicht

Other party to the proceedings: Staatssecretaris van Financiën