

**Question for written answer E-005305/2014  
to the Commission**

Rule 117

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Subject: Collective redress (class actions) in matters relating to competition law

Several Member States have adopted legislation to permit class actions. However, these class actions are not recognised under EU competition law.

Class actions would have positive effects even outside the competition sector, as they can help draw attention to malfunctioning in the internal market and increase consumer confidence in cross-border trade.

Is the Commission considering making any legislative proposals with a view to recognising class actions in matters relating to competition law?