

**Question for written answer E-007391/2014  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: European water policy

European water policies require more effective representation and a higher profile on the EU agenda.

With particular reference to the Water Framework Directive and the subsequent three implementation reports, by what means will the Commission ensure consistency in EU legislation regarding such matters, in particular by ensuring that the regulatory framework for competition, for the regulation of public procurement and for the development of new investment respects the special nature of this public asset?

Also in the light of the objectives initially set out in the recent Water Blueprint for Europe, how does the Commission intend to promote the cooperation and involvement of local communities and all other stakeholders in determining the future of EU public water policies and to avoid creating disparities between markets?