

**Question for written answer E-007502/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Pensions

According to the Commission's recent 2014 country-specific recommendations, in 2013 'Malta received a recommendation to further reform the pension system in order to curb the projected increase in expenditure and to increase the cost-effectiveness of the healthcare sector'. Based on the analysis, Malta was said to have made 'limited progress on measures taken to respond to this recommendation'.

1. In view of this, what does the Commission intend doing if the Maltese authorities fail to implement the necessary measures to reform the existing pension system?
2. Given the negative effective an unsustainable pension system could have on Maltese public finances, is the Commission planning on taking action to ensure that the reform takes place?