

**Question for written answer E-000070/2015
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Estimates from the annual report of the European Court of Auditors on how well the EU's money is being managed

The report published by the European Court of Auditors in November 2014 revealed that 5 % of the EU's overall budget is not being used in accordance with EU rules.

Across areas under shared management, the estimated error rate was 5.2 % compared to 3.7 % for the spending programmes most directly managed by the Commission. The estimated error rate for the EU's own administrative expenditure was 1 %.

In light of the above, and given the sums of money involved:

- How does the Commission believe that this error rate can be reduced?
- What initiatives does it intend to implement in the immediate future?