

Question for written answer E-003354/2015
to the Commission (Vice-President / High Representative)
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Subject: VP/HR - RBA toolbox in external action

Following the adoption in 2012 of the Agenda for Change and the EU Strategic Framework on Human Rights and Democracy, the European Union committed to moving towards a Rights-Based Approach (RBA) for development cooperation. In 2012 the Commission developed a toolbox to work towards that goal, with the aim of integrating human rights principles into EU operational activities for development, covering arrangements both at HQ and in the field for the synchronisation of human rights and development cooperation activities.

The RBA toolbox contains a checklist to be compiled and offers support measures for EU staff in the headquarters and delegations to support the implementation of this new approach.

1. Has the RBA toolbox become operational thus far in EEAS delegations?
2. Are the checklists on individual countries available for the public?
3. Have evaluations been performed on the effective use of the RBA toolbox in EEAS delegations?