Question for written answer E-005299/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Gabriel Mato (PPE) and Carlos Iturgaiz (PPE)

Subject: EU policies to ensure the happiness of Europeans

The International Day of Happiness was held on 20 March, giving cause to also reflect in the EU as to whether enough is being done to improve the wellbeing, and therefore the happiness, of our citizens throughout Europe.

As the UN has recognised, happiness is very relevant and should be considered a universal aspiration, and accordingly must be one of the objectives of public policies, including those pursued within the EU.

Does the Commission consider that enough is being done to develop a policy which truly enables citizens of the EU to be happier?

What measures does the EU consider as a priority to bring forward in this sense?

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