

**Question for written answer E-008156/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Free educational laptops

Schemes for supplying laptops free of charge to education systems, and primary schools in particular, can bring a variety of economic and social benefits. There is evidence that many children learn more easily with the aid of interactive content. Pupils are given an opportunity at an early age to become digitally literate and can also be offered a whole range of content to which they would not have access in a conventional book-learning system. In addition, such schemes help to cement the principle of equal opportunities – every child, irrespective of wealth or social status, can have a computer and access the same educational content.

Does the Commission think that it might introduce schemes of this kind at EU level in order to reduce differences as regards digital literacy and the accessibility of computers and education systems not just between parts of countries, but also from one Member State to another?