

**Question for written answer E-009189/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Will the EU better regulation agenda lead to longer legislative procedures?

In its communication entitled 'Better regulation for better results – An EU agenda' (COM(2015)0215) the Commission sets out a commitment to holding more public consultations. Increasing openness and transparency is fundamentally a good thing, but it also entails some risks. That being the case:

1. How will the Commission ensure that access to a greater number of consultations will be afforded on an equal footing and hence include those participants whose financial resources are more limited (non-governmental organisations, for example)?
2. How does it view the risk that, because of numerous consultations, the already lengthy procedures for adopting European legislation will become even more protracted and bureaucratic?