

**Question for written answer E-012860/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Negative discrimination in schools

The regional government of the Autonomous Region of Madeira, through its regional education department, is intending to introduce a new educational model in a pilot project lacking in any modern scientific basis. It will cover seven schools teaching the second and third cycles of education in the region.

Under this new model, students will be grouped according to their quantitative efforts in the fourth and sixth years of education, separating the good pupils from the bad in order to produce classes with similar levels.

Does the Commission not take the view that this experiment will jeopardise the European Youth Strategy, since it fails to promote equal opportunities in education and will not enable all young people to reach their full potential?