

**Question for written answer E-013892/2015
to the Council**

Rule 130

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Subject: The subsidiarity principle in the interinstitutional agreement

The Lisbon Treaty significantly upgraded the subsidiarity principle, which is to become a universally applied institution in law. The proposal for an interinstitutional agreement brought forward by the Commission (COM(2015) 216 final) does not place any great emphasis on the implementation of that institution. It only appears with reference to the choice of legislative instrument (point 20 of the proposal), but is no longer a basis for assessing the impact of regulation (point 27 of the Interinstitutional agreement on better law-making currently in force stipulates that in its legislative proposals the Commission is to take due account of their financial or administrative implications for the Union and the Member States, in particular with regard to the subsidiarity principle).

In the light of the above, will the Council be seeking to ensure, in the negotiations on the new agreement on better regulation, that the subsidiarity principle is given a higher profile than it has in the Commission proposal?