

Question for written answer E-009206/2016
to the Commission
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Subject: Combating radicalisation and upholding human rights

Human rights are an integral part of the EU's policy on combating terrorism and preventing violent radicalisation.

The combating of terrorism and preventing the violent radicalisation and recruitment to terrorist organisations of EU citizens remains a task for which Member States have competence, but cooperation at the local, European and international levels is vital if this is to be done effectively.

Societies which fully respect human rights and uphold international and regional standards, *inter alia* by combating discrimination, racism and other forms of intolerance, play a fundamental role in preventing and combating violent radicalisation.

Does the Commission plan to work with the Member States to step up efforts – especially through transnational/trans-sectoral cooperation – to investigate the deep-seated causes of violent radicalisation and the factors and influences that give rise to it, so as to enable instruments to be developed with which the EU can pursue a policy that is based on what is actually happening on the ground?

Can the Commission encourage the Member States to implement policies on combating discrimination, especially in schools and on the job market, which are more proactive and interventionist?