

**Question for written answer E-000323/2017
to the Commission**

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Subject: Food waste

The Court of Auditors' special report No 34/2016 on combating food waste points out that the EU has not thus far contributed to a resource-efficient food supply chain by combating food waste.

According to the report, the Commission proposal on the creation of a platform does not address the issues in full, because the fact that there is no common definition of food waste and no agreed baseline means that it is difficult for action to be taken in this area.

The report highlights the need for the Commission to: step up the EU strategy to combat food waste; take account of food waste in its future impact assessments; identify and overcome legal obstacles to the donation of food; and promote the option of donating food.

Given the recommendations made in the report, is the Commission intending to take further action in this field?