

**Question for written answer E-004830/2017
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Pillar of Social Rights

According to the Commission's recent Communication, the European pillar of social rights aims to place social priorities on the EU's agenda and to act to bring about enhanced convergence on living and working conditions.

In many cases, the principles set out in the Pillar take up rights already established in the political and legal framework of the Union, adapting them in the light of a number of important economic and social changes in recent years.

According to statements by high-profile political representatives of the Commission, these rights could be enshrined in the form of an institutional proclamation to be negotiated with the Council and Parliament.

Can the Commission clarify whether it intends to take the same approach to a future proclamation of social rights of this kind as to the Charter of Fundamental Rights and give it the same status as said Charter, which gained constitutional value through incorporation into the Treaties, paving the way for a different legal recognition of some of the principles enshrined in it?

