

**Question for written answer E-004074/2018
to the Commission**
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Subject: Combating the grey economy

The Commission defines undeclared work as 'any paid activities that are lawful as regards their nature, but not declared to public authorities, taking into account differences in the regulatory systems of the Member States'. Assessments vary as to the scale and cost to the European economy of undeclared work, which makes it difficult to design effective policies to address the problem. Experience in some Member States has shown service voucher schemes to transform undeclared work into declared work and increase tax and social contribution levels.

Set up in 2016, the European Platform Tackling Undeclared Work brings together experts from national authorities and aims to raise awareness of undeclared work and promote cooperation between the Member States.

Is the Commission considering taking further action through this platform to encourage EU countries to create incentives for people to declare previously undeclared work?