

**Question for oral answer O-000136/2016
to the Commission**

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on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

Subject: Finalisation of Basel III

The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (BCBS) has put forward proposals for refining the prudential framework for banks addressing credit and operational risk (finalisation of Basel III, the so-called 'Basel IV'). The proposals aim to enhance the risk sensitivity and robustness of standardised approaches, consider additional constraints on the role of internally modelled approaches in the capital framework, and finalise the design and calibration of the leverage ratio and a potential capital floor based on standardised approaches.

1. What is the Commission's view on the possible impact of the proposed reform package on the European banking sector, in particular regarding financial stability, increased comparability of risk-weighted assets, overall capital requirements, and the lending capacity of the banking sector to the real economy?
2. Is the Commission of the view that the proposals are taking the specificities of the European banking sector sufficiently into account? Are the proposed measures sufficiently balanced to ensure a level playing field in different regions of the world? How does the Commission intend to calibrate the final Basel standards, taking into consideration the different business models and sizes of European banks?
3. How does the Commission intend to contribute to the final Basel standards, in particular if a comprehensive quantitative and qualitative impact assessment leads to the conclusion that they would result in a significant overall increase of capital requirements for the European banking sector?

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