

**Question for oral answer O-000009/2019  
to the Council**

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Subject: Monitoring framework for the circular economy

Further to Parliament's call in its resolution of 9 July 2015 on resource efficiency: moving towards a circular economy – in addition to the commitments set out by the Commission in its Action Plan for the Circular Economy of 26 January 2017 – on 16 January 2018, the Commission finally published its communication on a monitoring framework for the circular economy.

1. What information does the Council deem to be a prerequisite in order to evaluate how effectively and efficiently the circular economy is implemented? What information does it believe is required in order to assess the increase of resource efficiency? Is it convinced that the indicators identified by the Commission are able to genuinely measure circularity and progress towards the achievement of the goals of the Action Plan for the Circular Economy, and prioritise strategic value chains and value retention? If not, what indicators do the Member States consider relevant?
2. How do the different Member States monitor progress towards a resource-efficient circular economy?
3. How does the Council intend to follow up on the actions undertaken by the Member States and stakeholders in the transition to a circular economy?
4. What concrete measures does the Council's Presidency plan to take in order to follow up on the Commission's above communication?
5. What role did the Member States play in the development of the communication?

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