

**Question for written answer P-013932/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Increasing national ownership of the European Semester

On 15 September 2015, Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs held an exchange of views with representatives of national parliaments in various Member States on the European Semester for policy coordination. Representatives of 20 national parliaments were present during the discussion.

As the rapporteur on this issue, I listened to the participants attentively, being mindful that their perceptions would bring added value to the whole report.

The majority of participants view the European Semester as an appropriate framework for policy coordination in the European Union. However, various issues were addressed during the meeting, such as the lack of implementation of country-specific recommendations (CSRs) and the scope thereof.

Nevertheless, most of the participants agreed that in order to make better use of the European Semester, the level of ownership at national level has to be increased.

What concrete steps does the Commission intend to take with a view to further enhancing national ownership of the European Semester and engaging more fully with countries at national level, while also improving the process as a whole?