

WRITTEN QUESTION E-6883/08  
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to the Commission

Subject: Information and publicity measures by Community-supported projects for the public

Measures backed by Community funding are subject to information and publicity requirements (such as point 3.1 of Annex VI to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1974/2006 and Article 7 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 828/2006). These include the stipulation that such information or publicity must include a mention of the Community's role or a reference to the European Union.

Can the Commission say why it flouts this principle in the brochures it (co-)publishes, for example 'Banking on Research, Banking for Research - Risk-Sharing Finance Facility (RSFF)' (2008), which states that 'the European Commission and the EIB will each provide up to EUR 1 billion for the period 2007 – 2013'?

The European Union's budgetary authority is, moreover, the European Parliament and the Council.

Over and above this, how will the Commission ensure that the rules on information and publicity are adhered to in future – including by project partners (the website of a project partner in the framework of the eParticipation Preparatory Action includes the statement that '[...] one of the ongoing Preparatory Actions on eParticipation funded by the European Commission' (<http://www.ideal-eu.net/frontend/index.php?cid=10>)?