

**Question for written answer E-010215/2010  
to the Commission**  
Rule 117  
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Subject: Teenage smoking

The average smoker in Europe begins smoking when he/she is 15 years of age, and smoking-related deaths amount to roughly 650 000 per year (German Cancer Research Centre). What policies or initiatives is the Commission proposing to tackle this problem of under-age smoking?