

**Question for written answer E-6015/2010  
to the Council**  
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Subject: European identity, Community commemorations and Europe Day

Europe Day is celebrated on 9 May.

And yet few countries make it a really special day, although it is a strong defining component in our European identity and a tangible symbol of our shared citizenship.

Few European citizens seem to be aware of the symbolic significance of this date, partly because their attention is not drawn to it.

Is the Council aware of this information deficit as regards 9 May?

In more general terms, how does the Council plan to arouse the interest of Europe's citizens in the history of the Community and its symbolic dates?