

**Question for written answer E-012082/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: Scientific Advice Mechanism (SAM)

I have been approached by a chemical association that has raised the issue of the Commission's planned Scientific Advice Mechanism (SAM), its composition, and the proposed European Innovation Council (EIC).

1. Will the High-Level Group of the planned SAM have quotas with regard to Member State participation or sector participation?
2. What is the current planning timeline for the European Innovation Council?
3. How is the Commission aiming to implement the proposed EIC under the R&D programmes in Horizon 2020?