

**Question for written answer E-001078/2017  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Follow-up to the EU Strategy on Eradicating Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is a growing and lucrative form of crime affecting millions of people in the world and generating billions of euros for criminal groups.

In 2012, the EU adopted an EU Strategy towards the Eradication of Trafficking in Human Beings 2012–2016. This Strategy set out a full range of measures to be taken at European and national levels. Has the Commission done a proper evaluation of the implementation of the Strategy and of each measure?

Secondly, Parliament has been requesting a post-2016 strategy, and so have the Member States, international organisations and civil society. Can the Commission confirm that we can expect a post-2016 strategy?

Thirdly, in its European Agenda for Migration, presented in May 2015, the Commission set out the fight against smugglers and traffickers as a key priority and committed itself to improving the existing EU legal framework to tackle migrant smuggling and to complete the initiatives provided for in the current strategy. In this regard, which measures are envisaged in the next few months and has the Commission taken initiatives to encourage Member States to fully ratify and implement the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings?