

Question for written answer E-002934/2019
to the Commission
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Subject: SEPA procedures in Serbia

The Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA) harmonises the Europe-wide non-cash completion of euro payments. These EU-wide uniform payments (non-cash payments in euros) benefit consumers, companies and public administrations in 36 European countries.

On 16 December 2010, the Commission put forward a proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the technical requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euros and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009, with the aim of standardising payments in Europe.

As a result of the increasing economic and financial integration of Serbia with the Member States and the countries in the EEA, its participation in SEPA procedures would be highly beneficial.

- (1) Does the Commission plan to support Serbia's acceptance into the SEPA?
- (2) Is there a timetable for Serbia's accession to the SEPA?
- (3) What is the state of play regarding the other five Western Balkan countries?