

**Question for written answer E-001066/2021/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: The 'Great Reset', the European Union, the Member States and referendums

The World Economic Forum (WEF) is seeking to achieve progress in the right direction through the 'Great Reset'¹ of capitalism, with the COVID-19 pandemic providing a suitable opportunity to put this idea into practice.

The Prince of Wales has outlined his own approach to the project, adding that it would only come into effect if people really wanted it. The WEF is anxious to tailor the scheme to current realities, with the market being steered towards 'fairer' outcomes, stepping up investments directed at mutual progress and ecological goals and leading up to a 'fourth industrial revolution'.

Prince Charles emphasised that the private sector would be the engine driving the plan.

The Canadian Prime Minister, US President-elect Joe Biden, and the British Prime Minister all expressed their support for the plan.

Despite this, a petition in Canada to halt the Great Reset collected 80 000 signatures within 72 hours.

1. Has the Commission already examined the Great Reset and, if so, what are its conclusions?
2. Does the Commission consider that the Great Reset might pose a threat to the democratic decision-making process if an economic and political elite seeks to implement it without consulting the people?
3. To what extent does the Commission advocate the holding of referendums on this issue in the Member States?

¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Reset