

**Question for written answer E-001151/2021  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Definition in the CMO Regulation of economic activities linked to production and their representatives

Article 157(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 on a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products defines the characteristics of interbranch organisations (IOs) and stipulates that they are to be composed of: 'representatives of economic activities linked to the production and to at least one of the following stages of the supply chain: the processing of or trade in, including distribution of, products in one or more sectors'.

To rule out misunderstandings on the part of Member States, can the Commission clarify the following:

1. What are the 'economic activities linked to [...] production' to which the article refers?
2. Are producer groups and organisations regarded as 'representatives of economic activities linked to [...] production' under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013?