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to the Commission
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Subject: EU Medical Device Regulation

The Baden-Württemberg state government is calling on the Commission to support facilitations in the implementation of the EU Medical Device Regulation (EU MDR). With over 800 companies and a turnover of some EUR 14 billion, Baden-Württemberg is one of the leading locations for medical technology in Europe. Companies in the Schwarzwald-Baar-Heuberg region in particular are among the drivers of innovation[1]. Inhibitory, contradictory interpretations of the EU MDR are jeopardising this success.

1. What is the Commission's assessment of Baden-Württemberg's call for the outstanding significance of the location for medical technology in Europe to be reinforced by means of immediate assistance and support in the implementation of the EU MDR?

2. What flaws does the Commission see in the published guidelines for the EU MDR, and how does it intend to improve these to ensure that Baden-Württemberg is not put at a competitive disadvantage internationally?

3. How will the Commission guarantee the security of supply of medical products for the EU in future?

[1] https://medtech-zwo.de