

**Question for written answer E-003985/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Introduction of an EU-wide asset registry

The Commission commissioned a feasibility study for the creation of an EU-wide asset registry (2021/S 136-358265) in a public invitation to tender of 16 July 2021. The value of the tender is EUR 400 000 excluding VAT. The central registry will collect and store a wide range of information on bank accounts, securities, company shareholdings, land register entries and valuable assets.

1. On what legal basis does the Commission plan to create such a central asset registry?
2. Can the Commission exclude the possibility of additional taxes on EU citizens being introduced via this registry in the future?
3. Is the Commission considering bringing the registry in line with the data-protection law principle of purpose (Article 5(1)(b) GDPR)?