

**Question for written answer E-004504/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Nutri-Score system and the Mediterranean diet

The Nutri-Score front-of-package labelling system developed in Europe gives a distorted assessment of the nutritional value of important Mediterranean products such as olive oil, which it classifies as fat without taking into account its nutritional and health benefits¹.

As part of its farm-to-fork strategy, the European Commission has recommended the adoption of a single European nutrition labelling system and has sought the opinion of the EFSA on the matter.

In view of this:

1. What stage has been reached by the single European labelling system that is to complement Nutri-Score and when will it be completed?
2. In what way will the new classification system highlight the benefits of Mediterranean food products, which have been scientifically confirmed at international level, and will it make a distinction between these products and standardised/processed foods, with which there is obviously no comparison?
3. How does it consider that a supplementary labelling system should work in practice on the basis of the farm-to-fork strategy, especially with regard to Mediterranean food products?

¹ <https://www.ypaidhros.gr/koino-metopo-apenanti-nutriscore-apo-biomixania-paragogikous-foreis/>