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to the Commission
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Subject: Regulatory framework for tackling the challenges posed by the use of deepfakes

On 15 October, the European Parliament's Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA) presented the results of a study on the impact of deepfake technologies and possible responses at European level. The study highlights the need to adopt a broader European regulatory framework for tackling the challenges posed by the widespread use of deepfakes which would contain specific remedial policies and tools that go beyond the confines of the narrow technological dimension of deepfake technologies. The legislative framework on artificial intelligences proposed by the Commission only provides responses for tackling some of the risks associated with the use of deepfakes. It would be insufficient to impose restrictions on certain types of AI applications when other methods of producing realistic video recordings, such as 3D animation techniques, also exist.

Does the Commission plan to bring forward legislative instruments and measures to regulate the use of deepfake technologies that go beyond the scope of the legislative framework on artificial intelligence?