

**Question for written answer E-000883/2023
to the Commission**
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Subject: Lack of active EU support for indigenous breeds

In the EU, indigenous breeds stand for authenticity, history, culture and connection to the land. In short, they are valuable livestock and are fundamental for making the best use of ecosystems and preserving biodiversity, as well as keeping traditions like transhumance alive, encouraging people to live in rural areas and creating employment and wealth.

The lack of support and assistance for these types of breeds by the European Commission is striking, especially considering Brussels' promotion of other factors that support biodiversity, such as organic farming, which even has its own action plan.

1. Does the Commission have data on the number of indigenous breeds in the different EU livestock sectors and their conservation/recovery status?
2. What measures are currently in place to promote this valuable livestock, considering the highly positive impact that it has on preserving biodiversity?

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