

ORAL QUESTION WITH DEBATE O-0068/10
pursuant to Rule 115 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Council

Subject: Consequences of the financial and economic crisis for the EU 2020 strategy and its governance

What, in the Council's view, are the consequences of the financial and economic crisis, particularly in terms of the impact of the eurozone rescue package, for the EU 2020 strategy and its governance?

Has the Council position evolved regarding eurobonds as a means of financing sustainable public investments and therefore as a tool for the 2020 strategy?

Is the Council ready to tackle the issue of internal imbalances in order to target not only excessive deficits, but also surplus Member States, as a means of reinforcing economic policy coordination?

The sovereign debt crises both show clearly that the public and private debt crises are strongly interlinked and therefore that financial supervision must be substantially reinforced. Will the Council show in the coming weeks that it has started to learn the lessons of the last two chaotic years and hence drastically strengthen its position on the supervision package?

With a view to delivering a single market which will correspond more closely to EU citizens' concerns and expectations, what measures does the Council envisage taking in order to ensure better coordination among Member States' fiscal policies, in particular regarding company taxation and taxation of financial transactions?

Does the Council support framework legislation on Services of General Economic Interest, in line with the new Article 14 of the Treaty and its Protocol on Services of General Interest?

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