WRITTEN QUESTION P-0644/01 by Elisa Damião (PSE) to the Commission

Subject: Structural indicators - report for the Stockholm Council

In view of the diverse nature of the sources used by Eurostat for the purpose of devising the indicators which are intended as a means of implementing the Lisbon strategy and which have now been published in the report for the Stockholm Council, would the Commission say whether or not the national and regional public bodies which are accredited by the Member States for the purpose of supplying statistical data were consulted by the Commission and, in particular, by Eurostat? Does the Commission accept responsibility for the reliability and comparability of the indicators and would it indicate in greater detail both its primary sources and its methods?

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