

**Question for written answer P-004257/2014/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: EU strategy on health and safety at work

The EU strategy on health and safety at work came to an end on 31 December 2012¹. Despite countless calls by Parliament² the Commission has still not submitted a new strategy³. Parliament and the European Trade Union Confederation have been expecting a new European strategy on health and safety at work to be published on 28 April 2014.

The Commission has made it clear that the 2007-2012 strategy on health and safety at work had a positive impact across the EU and that a number of challenges in the area of occupational health and safety need to be addressed in the years ahead.

It is now being reported, however, that no new strategy will be submitted at the end of April after all.

Can the Commission say why that is the case? Can it furthermore say when it intends to submit a new strategy?

¹ Improving quality and productivity at work: Community strategy 2007-2012 on health and safety at work.

² European Parliament resolution of 15 December 2011 on the mid-term review of the European strategy 2007-2012 on health and safety at work (2011/2147(INI)).

³ European Parliament resolution of 12 September 2013 on the European strategy on health and safety at work (2013/2685(RSP)).