

**Priority question for written answer P-000973/2020  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Artificial Intelligence

On 9 January 2020, at the hearing of Commission experts by Parliament's Committee on Legal Affairs, I asked questions to which I did not receive satisfactory answers. I therefore wish to pose these questions again in writing:

1. In view of the new problems associated with the development of artificial intelligence, what progress has been made with the impact assessment of Directive 2006/42/EC on machinery since the publication of the 2018 report (SWD (2018) 0160), which expressed doubts about the suitability of this new technology <sup>1</sup> ? Which independent organisation carried out this assessment?
2. Will the Commission evaluate the other directives affected by the use of artificial intelligence and the emergence of new generations of robots, namely Directive 85/374/EEC on defective products, Directive 93/42/EEC on medical devices and Directive 2009/48/EC on toy safety?

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<sup>1</sup> See page 38 of the report: '[...] the Directive is widely perceived as being less able to deal with coming emerging digital innovations than it was so far. In particular, doubts have been raised on the relevance of the Directive to cover future digital innovation.'