

**Priority question for written answer P-001656/2023  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Digital euro

The European Central Bank has been investigating whether to issue a digital version of the euro since 2020. The digital euro has been proposed as a means of boosting financial innovation and enhancing convenience while addressing concerns about privacy and security, and has significant implications for the future of European finance. Since the investigation into the digital euro is due to end this year, some key questions are emerging about its potential implementation. As the Commission is at the forefront of decision-making in the European Union, could it answer the following questions:

1. Will the Commission impose transaction limits or restrictions on the digital euro with a view to preventing illicit activities like money laundering or terrorist financing?
2. How does the Commission plan to educate the general public and financial institutions about the digital euro and raise their awareness of it?
3. How might the digital euro affect the competitiveness of non-euro area EU countries' national currencies and the overall economic stability of these countries?

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