

**Question for written answer E-002271/2024
to the Commission**
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Subject: Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

The European Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), which is part of the European Green Deal, is due to fully come into force as of 2026. The test phase is still ongoing. However, industry associations are now complaining that the legislation is extremely inadequate. Just under 14 months remain until the CBAM is introduced in full and, according to the Chief Executive of the German Engineering Federation, the Federation of German Industries and the German Chamber of Industry and Commerce, improvements are urgently needed. Criticism is focused on the considerable volume of red tape involved. The de minimis limit, which is intended to counteract the red tape, is not effective and, in addition, is to be completely done away with. Particularly for countries that are very much geared towards exports, the CBAM represents a significant burden.

1. How does the Commission intend to respond to industry's complaints, and will any changes be made?
2. To what extent is this fair by comparison with countries such as France that are benefiting greatly from the new regime?
3. How does the Commission intend to ensure that the de minimis limit is not only retained, but also raised?

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