

**Question for written answer E-002654/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: AI liability directive

The Commission proposed an AI liability directive in 2022 with the aim of modernising existing liability rules to include new provisions covering harm caused by AI systems, in order to ensure uniform protection. In the meantime, the AI Act has been adopted, and it entered into force in August 2024. It regulates AI systems according to a risk-based approach, and the Product Liability Directive has been expanded to cover software, including AI. The new Commission has committed to following the overarching objective of legislative simplification and reduction of administrative burdens that hinders EU competitiveness.

1. Will the Commission re-evaluate the idea underpinning the AI liability directive with regard to the need to foster competitiveness and innovation?
2. What specific measures are planned to guarantee that this legislation will not disproportionately impact European small and medium-sized enterprises and start-ups?
3. How does the Commission assess the risk of overregulating an expanding sector and causing additional regulatory hurdles for companies confronted with strong international competition?

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