

Question for written answer E-002293/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Romania's adoption of the euro

In 2007, Romania and Bulgaria joined the European Union together. They have also both joined the Schengen area as regards their air, sea and land borders. However, when it comes to euro area integration, the paths taken by the two countries have begun to diverge. According to the European Commission's Convergence Report of June 2025, Bulgaria fulfils all the necessary criteria for adopting the euro, while Romania remains outside the eligibility framework despite the repeated commitments expressed by various governments in recent years.

In view of this divergence, I would like to ask the Commission the following questions:

1. What is Romania's current situation as regards fulfilment of the requisite convergence criteria for adopting the euro?
2. What are the Commission's estimates as to when Romania could join the euro area, should it manage to meet all the necessary criteria?
3. What are the Commission's concrete recommendations to the Romanian authorities for speeding up the preparations for joining the euro area, especially given that a Member State which joined the EU at the same time as Romania – Bulgaria – is ready to take this important step?

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