Question for written answer E-002639/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Development of EU standards for artificial intelligence

The 2025 annual report of the European Ombudsman, Teresa Anjinho[1], mentions an inquiry being opened into the development of EU standards for artificial intelligence. That inquiry raises questions about the creation of the standards and the people working on them.

With the technical standards developed as part of implementing the AI Act being likely to have significant consequences for French and EU businesses, administrations and citizens, the rules in question must surely be developed in a clear manner to increase public trust.

In view of the above:

1. How does the Commission ensure transparency in the process of developing EU standards for artificial intelligence, particularly as regards access to information on participants and their contributions?

2. How does it make sure there is balanced representation of the different stakeholders participating in the work, including SMEs, researchers, civil society organisations and Member States?

3. Does it think that the rules could slow down the development of AI in the EU and increase its dependence on the US and China?

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[1] https://www.ombudsman.europa.eu/en/publication/en/223854