

**Priority question for written answer P-002745/2026
to the Commission**
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Subject: Reference to the Digital Markets Act in the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement

A few years after the entry into force of the Digital Markets Act (DMA), we now observe that several third-country jurisdictions have taken inspiration from the EU and have adopted, or are in the process of adopting, ex ante regulations similar to the DMA in order to ensure fair, open and contestable digital markets. This trend highlights the DMA's growing influence at the global level.

The United Kingdom, with its Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024, is among those jurisdictions. Given the close economic and historical ties between the EU and the UK, and the fact that the challenges posed by gatekeepers do not stop at the borders of the single market, cooperation between the UK and the EU in the regulation of digital markets is of the utmost importance.

In the light of the need for closer cooperation between the European Commission and the UK Competition and Markets Authority on digital competition matters, has the Commission considered the possibility of introducing an explicit reference to the DMA in the competition policy chapter of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement, in accordance with the procedures governing amendments to that agreement?

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