

**Question for written answer E-002199/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Barriers to e-commerce

In light of the fact that the development of e-commerce in the EU is still coming up against barriers between Member States:

1. What specific action will the Commission take to minimise barriers to e-commerce among Member States arising from differences in national regulations?
2. Why is it that, despite progress in the harmonisation of legislation, obstacles to cross-border online trade persist and what initiatives is the Commission planning to eliminate these once and for all?
3. What steps will the EU take to boost consumer confidence in online shopping, particularly as regards data privacy and cybersecurity, which are key components of secure e-commerce?

Given the tremendous potential of e-commerce to support the EU economy, it is important to remove the existing barriers and build consumer trust in cross-border online shopping.

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