

**Question for written answer E-003074/2024  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
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**Subject:** Serious deficiencies in the management of EU agencies

The recent European Court of Auditors report<sup>1</sup> highlights serious weaknesses in the management of EU agencies, including governance problems, duplication and budgetary inefficiency. It is becoming increasingly clear that the proliferation of agencies means additional costs for European taxpayers, without any real added value or rigorous monitoring of their work.

This situation raises serious questions about the legitimacy of some agencies, and shows that the EU's administrative structures need to be streamlined in order to address the citizens' concerns about transparency and efficiency.

1. Does the Commission intend to carry out an in-depth review of the usefulness of the existing agencies, with a view to reducing duplication and making the budget more transparent for EU citizens?
2. What concrete measures will it take to improve supervision and control of the budgets allocated to each agency, in order to ensure that public resources are used efficiently?
3. Will it assess the relevance of cutting or merging some agencies with similar missions, in an effort to make EU bureaucracy simpler and more accountable?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.eca.europa.eu/ECAPublications/SAR-AGENCIES-2023/SAR-AGENCIES-2023\\_EN.pdf](https://www.eca.europa.eu/ECAPublications/SAR-AGENCIES-2023/SAR-AGENCIES-2023_EN.pdf)