

**Question for written answer E-014491/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: Money laundering in EU countries

The European Network on Debt and Development (Eurodad) has published a study comparing the stringency of fiscal and banking systems in 15 EU Member States in tackling the phenomena of tax evasion and money laundering and evaluating the attitude of the EU and its institutions in dealing with the global phenomenon of tax fraud and injustice.

The study is highly critical of the EU, but also of countries such as Luxembourg, Germany, Spain and the Netherlands, as regards the institutional framework and the legal regime governing their tax and banking systems, noting that they are favourable towards money laundering, systematic tax evasion and harmful tax practices.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

1. Is it aware of the conclusions of the Eurodad study and particularly its analysis of the favourable regimes in Luxembourg and Germany as regards money laundering?
2. If so, what measures has it taken to combat the phenomenon of money laundering by banking institutes and what steps will it take in the future?