

**Question for written answer E-016000/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: 'Wake up Europe'

It should be noted that: a) according to the Commission's Annual Report for 2014 on monitoring the application of EU law, Hungary has fewer procedures than other Member States; b) under Article 4(2) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU), 'the Union shall respect the equality of Member States before the Treaties as well as their national identities, inherent in their fundamental structures, political and constitutional [...]'; and c) the 'EU Framework to strengthen the Rule of Law' is a complementary tool and first resort, along with infringement procedures, before activating the 'nuclear option' (Article 7 TEU).

1. Can the 'Wake up Europe!' European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) be reconciled with the abovementioned provisions and instruments?
2. Is this ECI, which proposes the use of a last-resort mechanism, compatible with Commissioner Jourová's statement that 'the conditions to activate the Rule of Law Framework regarding Hungary are at this stage not met' and that she does not see any 'systemic serious breach of the values on which the Union is founded' in Hungary? Commissioner Jourová has also stated that there are 'other Member States where we see similar problems'. Can the Commission specify which Member States have 'similar problems', and the nature of those problems?