Question for written answer E-015679/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Cristian-Silviu Buşoi (PPE)

Subject: Antimicrobial resistance

Antimicrobial resistance is an increasingly serious threat to global public health that requires the development of new antimicrobials, as recently acknowledged by the G7 health ministers, and a coordinated response.

Parliament has repeatedly called for the creation of an appropriate EU legislative framework that would promote the development of new antibiotics, including in its resolution of 22 October 2013 on the implementation of the Council Recommendation (2009/C 151/01) on patient safety, including the prevention and control of healthcare-associated infections, and in its resolution of 19 May 2015 on safer healthcare in Europe: improving patient safety and fighting antimicrobial resistance.

The Commission is currently working on the evaluation of its 2011 Action Plan against the rising threats from antimicrobial resistance.

- 1. Can the Commission give precise details about the scope and the envisaged steps of the evaluation process that it is conducting and the timeline?
- 2. Can it indicate whether it intends to follow Parliament's call for an EU legislative framework to encourage the development of new antibiotics?
- 3. How will it ensure the continuation of the EU Action Plan after 2016?

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