

**Question for written answer E-015746/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Equine identification and traceability

Last year the Commission published proposals for new EU regulations on equine identification and traceability (with an implementation date of 1 January 2015); however, these do not provide for a single passport issuing organisation (PIO). My understanding is that the Commission is currently considering an amendment to the zootechnical legislation which would facilitate the implementation of a proposal for a single PIO.

Can the Commission outline when this proposal will be published?