

**Question for written answer E-014598/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Funding and legalisation of driverless cars in Europe

The Réva2, a driverless car invented by the Nice-based scientist Raoul Parienti, was unveiled on 3 November 2015 in Paris. This intelligent vehicle was selected for COP21, which opens in Paris this December.

It moves autonomously by following RFID chips embedded in the road. Its inventor believes that this new type of vehicle would be economically viable as well as technologically realistic. Indeed, the benefit of the Réva2 compared to its competitors is that it does not require a satellite link in order to be driven. It is therefore not dependent on its environment.

1. Does the Commission anticipate funding the development of the Réva2 under the Horizon 2020 programme, which is intended to fund ambitious research projects?

More broadly, the United Nations Convention on Road Traffic was amended last year to allow driverless vehicles, on condition that the user can stop the car if needed. EU countries have also signed this convention.

2. Does the Commission intend to adapt current European legislation to allow driverless vehicles within the EU while observing road safety?