## **European Cash May Not Make It to Christmas...**

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The European Commission recently conducted a consultationThe use of cash[1]. It has not yet made public the results of this consultation, butThe European Parliament has already ruled in favor of a restriction of cash. [2]

According to the consulting firm Cap GeminiThe banks will be ready for the end of the cash as of 2018in Europe. [3]

The official objective is to fight the financing of terrorism, but according to the economist Henri Bourguignat, professor at the Montesquieu University of Bordeaux, The end of cash would enable the public authorities to tax saving without a possible loophole. [4]

But you ? What do you think ? Are you to keep your coins and bills or so that they disappear:



I do not want cash to disappear

No thanks, I do not want any more cash

Thank you for your participation!

To your good fortune,

Olivier Perrin, the valiant little economist

## Notes:

- [1] https://ec.europa.eu/info/consultations/eu-initiative-restrictions-payments-cash\_en
- [2] http://www.eesc.europa.eu/?i=portal.en.eco-opinions.41281
- [3] https://www.worldpaymentsreport.com/kriis#KRIIs-Clustered-by-Primary-Objectives-2015
- [4] http://www.lemonde.fr/idees/article/2016/03/02/vers-la-disparition-de-largent-liquide\_4875004\_3232.