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- **Comissão lança consulta sobre o Registo de Transparência para recolher as opiniões das partes interessadas sobre um futuro sistema obrigatório para todas as instituições da UE**  
A Comissão lança hoje uma [consulta pública](#) de 12 semanas para recolher opiniões sobre o atual sistema de registo dos representantes de interesses que procuram influenciar os trabalhos das instituições da UE, bem como sobre a sua evolução futura para um sistema de registo obrigatório dos grupos de interesse, comum ao Parlamento Europeu, ao Conselho da União Europeia e à Comissão. A Comissão concebeu uma consulta em duas partes que permitirá obter os contributos de um amplo leque de partes interessadas, da sociedade civil e dos cidadãos. A primeira parte da consulta não exige um conhecimento aprofundado do atual [Registo de Transparência](#) e permite aos não especialistas responder a perguntas sobre o âmbito de aplicação do sistema e os princípios que lhe são subjacentes, ao passo que a segunda parte visa obter as opiniões dos utilizadores sobre o funcionamento do sistema atual na prática. Os documentos de consulta estão disponíveis em todas as línguas da UE, a fim de encorajar um grande número de contribuições. **A consulta será encerrada na terça-feira 24 de maio.** (*Desenvolvimento em [IP-16-462](#)*)

### **EU renews its support to Palestinian Authority and Palestinian refugees with a first 2016 assistance package totalling €252.5 million**

Today the European Commission has approved a €252.5 million assistance package for [Palestine](#). It is the first part of the EU's 2016 annual support package for Palestine, confirming the EU's long-standing commitment to the Palestinians. Within today's package, €170.5 million will be channelled directly to the Palestinian Authority, through the PEGASE mechanism (*Mécanisme Palestino-Européen de Gestion de l'Aide Socio-Economique*). Through these funds the EU will support the Palestinian Authority in delivering health and education services, protecting the poorest families and providing financial assistance to the hospitals in East Jerusalem. The remaining €82 million will be a contribution to the Programme Budget of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency in the Near East (UNRWA), which provides essential services for Palestinian refugees across the region. This support aims at offering improved access to essential public services and increased livelihood opportunities to the most vulnerable Palestinian refugees. A second package of measures in favour of the Palestinians will be announced later in the year.

- **Eurostat: Euro area unemployment rate at 10.3%**

The euro area (EA19) seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate was 10.3% in January 2016, down from 10.4% in December 2015, and from 11.3% in January 2015. This is the lowest rate recorded in the euro area since August 2011. The EU28 unemployment rate was 8.9% in January 2016, down from 9.0% in December 2015, and from 9.8% in January 2015. This is the

lowest rate recorded in the EU28 since May 2009. These figures are published by Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union. Eurostat estimates that 21.789 million men and women in the EU28, of whom 16.647 million were in the euro area, were unemployed in January 2016. Compared with December 2015, the number of persons unemployed decreased by 163 000 in the EU28 and by 105 000 in the euro area. Compared with January 2015, unemployment fell by 2.034 million in the EU28 and by 1.445 million in the euro area.

A Eurostat press release is available [here](#).

- **Financial stability: New EU rules on central clearing for certain credit derivative contracts**

The European Commission has adopted a new set of rules that requires certain over-the-counter (OTC) credit derivative contracts to be cleared through central counterparties (CCPs).

Mandatory central clearing is a vital part of the response to the financial crisis and follows commitments made by world leaders at the G-20 Pittsburgh Summit in 2009 to improve transparency and mitigate risks. Today's decision takes the form of a [Delegated Regulation](#) and implements part of the clearing obligations set out in the [European Market Infrastructure Regulation](#) ('EMIR'). A press release is available [here](#)

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