

<b>Title</b>	
	Consultation on the aftermath of the expiry of Regulation (EC) No 1407/2002 on State aid to the coal industry
<b>Policy field:</b>	
	Energy
<b>Target group(s):</b>	
	All citizens, organisations and Member States are welcome to contribute to this consultation
<b>Period of consultation:</b>	
	From 11.05.2009 to 15.07.2009
<b>Objective of the consultation</b>	
	<p><i>Regulation (EC) No 1407/2002 on State aid to the coal industry (the "Coal regulation") is set to expire on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010. From that date, in the absence of new sector-specific rules, State support to the hard coal industry shall be governed by the general EC Treaty rules on State aid. The Commission services consults stakeholders in order to see whether there are reasons which may militate for maintaining or adopting sector-specific State aid rules for the coal mining industry for the period starting at the expiry of the Coal Regulation.</i></p> <p><i>The context and specific questions are provided in the consultation paper.</i></p>
<b>How to submit your contribution</b>	
	<p>We welcome contributions from citizens, organisations and public authorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you are answering this consultation as a <b>citizen</b>, please click <a href="#">here</a> to submit your contribution.</li> <li>• If you are answering this consultation on behalf of an <b>organisation</b>, please click <a href="#">here</a> to submit your contribution.</li> <li>• If you are answering this consultation on behalf of a <b>public authority</b>, please click <a href="#">here</a> to submit your contribution.</li> </ul> <p><i>All responses will be published in full on the Internet unless it is specifically indicated that the information contained within the response is confidential..</i></p> <p><i>Please send responses only by e-mail to TREN-COAL-CONSULTATION@ec.europa.eu before 15 July 2009.</i></p>
<b>View the consultation document</b>	
	<a href="#">Consultation paper</a>
<b>View the questionnaire</b>	
	Page 13 of the consultation document
<b>Access the invitation to</b>	
	nine
<b>Reference documents and other, related consultations</b>	
	none
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<b>Reason why the consultation period is less than 8 weeks</b>	
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<b>Reason why notice of the meeting*/seminar*/public hearing* is less than 20 working days</b>	
	-
<b>Number of responses received to this consultation</b>	

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