

# EU INSTITUTIONS DEBATE RULE OF LAW MECHANISM

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EU Commission dismisses the European Parliament's call for action.

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EU Commission president Ursula von der Leyen has dismissed the European Parliament's call for action under a new rule-of-law conditionality mechanism, which links EU funds to respect for legal norms, [EUobserver.com reports](#).

In a five-page letter, dated Monday (23 August), to European Parliament president David Sassoli, the commission chief argued that, in its call for action, the parliament had not been clear enough on what cases it wanted the EU executive to act on.