

## The role of ombudsman institutions in upholding the Charter of Fundamental Rights

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In April, the European Ombudsman [submitted a contribution \[Link\]](#) to the European Commission's consultation on the role of national human rights institutions, ombudsman institutions and equality bodies in making the Charter of Fundamental Rights a reality in people's lives.

The consultation was organised in the context of the Commission's preparation of its new strategy on the Charter.

[Vice-President of the European Commission Vera Jourova replied \[Link\]](#) on 16 June, welcoming the Ombudsman's contribution, and highlighting the important role ombudsman institutions will have to play in the implementation of the strategy.