

**Question for written answer E-007023/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: Youth Employment Initiative

As Commissioner László Andor stated during plenary in Strasbourg, all Member States have now submitted operational programmes, and negotiations on the funds allocated under the Youth Employment Initiative – EUR 6 billion at EU level, or EUR 10 billion when ESF funds are added – will be concluded by the end of 2015.

This news is encouraging when compared with the data that we have received so far, as implementation does not appear to have been too successful in practice. However, it would be a good idea if these funds were paid out by the end of 2015, as young people need urgent assistance.

How many Member States have thus far requested the reimbursement of funds for actions carried out since 1 September 2013 under the Youth Employment Initiative, which Member States did so, and what is the total amount that has been reimbursed so far, broken down by country?