

**Question for written answer E-007938/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Public investment for sustainable economic recovery

The European Central Bank (ECB) has stated its intention to finance recovery by means of a concerted EU-level policy of public investment, this being done by printing money.

1. Why could the ECB not do for the community as a whole what it is doing for the banking sector, i.e. provide cheap money, thus making for investment to tackle the challenges ahead, namely the energy transition and infrastructure modernisation?
2. Does the Commission not think that the authorities should support housing supply, either directly or indirectly, so that prices and rents fall?