

**Question for written answer E-008074/2014  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Payment crisis

The European Commissioner for Financial Programming recently warned that the payment of European grants and financial aid for RDI would have to be halted if the budget were not increased as soon as possible.

Far from being an isolated problem, the payment crisis has taken on alarming dimensions in a number of areas, to the point where it is threatening to hinder the progress of EU-funded programmes, from Erasmus to programmes linked to cohesion, environmental and neighbourhood policies. Indeed, Parliament has highlighted the fact that outstanding payments for 2014 stand at EUR 26 billion.

1. How does the Commission intend to resolve the current payment crisis and prevent similar crises in the future?
2. What projects in Galicia have been affected or may be affected before the end of the year as a result of the non-payment of EU funding?