

**Question for written answer E-009578/2014  
to the Commission**

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Subject: LIFE+ PRIME project for recovering beached *Posidonia oceanica* residues - late payments

The Commission has informed the beneficiaries of the LIFE+ PRIME project – aimed at recovering beached *Posidonia oceanica* residues – that payments will be suspended until January 2015, despite the fact that all the individual components of the project and all its reporting obligations have been sufficiently fulfilled and submitted.

The reason behind this suspension appears to be a decision made by the budgetary authority which reduced the availability of funds for these payments.

Can the Commission reveal the extent of these delays, outlining the timeframe for payments to all the beneficiaries of LIFE+ projects?

Does it intend to provide reassurances to the banks and credit institutions which granted loans to the beneficiaries in question, while also confirming that the late payments will nevertheless be compensated by charging interest against any debts owed by these beneficiaries, with the aim of completing the LIFE+ projects?