

**Question for written answer E-011152/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: New markets for the pig farming sector

Following the meeting of the Council for Agriculture and Rural Development held this week, consideration was given to the need to analyse the pig farming sector next January and Agriculture Commissioner Hogan spoke about the effects of overproduction in the pigmeat sector, the Russian veto on exports, etc.

According to the Commission's estimates, exports in the pig farming sector will experience lower growth in the short and medium term.

Taking this into account,

1. What plans does the Commission have to help European producers find new markets?
2. Does the Commission have plans to provide compensation in the short, medium or long term for the losses caused in the pig farming sector by the Russian veto?
3. Does the Commission intend to develop a programme in order to react rapidly to the consequences of this kind of crisis?