

**Question for written answer E-000716/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Juncker Investment Plan

With Europe on the verge of deflation and the regions suffering from listlessness, this summer Mario Draghi proved himself incapable of resolving the situation solely via an expansive monetary policy such as the one which is currently in place. Along with a great many others, he called for the injection of a strong additional fiscal impetus.

Possibly in response to these developments, new Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker launched a proposal to provide a minimum of EUR 315 million of investment. We now know that the EU budget will not be supplemented by a single euro of extra public money; existing funds will be diverted from other projects and used to compensate for the 'initial' losses in private investment that it was hoped would be included in the figure.

1. Does the Commission believe that this Plan has the potential to revive the EU?
2. As a consequence, does it consider fiscal stimulation policies to be unnecessary?