Question for written answer E-001623/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Gabriel Mato (PPE) and Carlos Iturgaiz (PPE)

Subject: Promoting sustainable work

In the light of the inevitable ageing of the EU's population, the Union needs to take immediate action to ensure it is in a position to address the issues that will arise across a number of spheres, including employment.

The number of people who will have to work for longer is unquestionably on the rise, but at present the necessary steps towards accommodating this scenario does not appear to have been taken, as jobs have yet to be adapted to the needs of older people.

What action is the Commission planning to take to ensure that the labour market is open to older people who will need to work for longer?

Does the Commission consider promoting sustainable work with a view to meeting the challenges of the future to be a priority?

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