

**Question for written answer E-002752/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Financing the Juncker plan

Very significant leverage effects can be achieved by employing techniques involving guarantees and debt subordination. In the case of the Juncker plan, every EUR 1 in public contributions (in reality EUR 1 in guarantees drawn from public funds) would be transformed into EUR 15 in investments. Many economists, including those working for the French investment bank Natixis, are sceptical about these figures, however.

1. How has this leverage effect been calculated?
2. Can the Commission give a few examples of projects which have been successfully implemented and which demonstrate that the 1:15 leverage ratio is realistic?