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to the Commission**

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Subject: Support for projects ensuring safe water supplies

The supply of drinking water is crucial for the development of regions and countries across the world that are in a precarious situation. Water scarcity and declining water resources are two problems that, according to the experts, are far from getting better and are more likely to become more worrying over the coming decades.

What projects is the EU backing in third countries to facilitate better access to drinking water for people living in the most disadvantaged regions?

Is the Commission supporting those projects within the EU that are committed to innovation and new technologies so as to ensure safe water supplies for Europe in the future, and which might also be transposed to other regions across the world?