

**Question for written answer E-003088/2015  
to the Commission  
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Subject: Startup ecosystem to boost economy

The app sector is one area of the digital economy where Europe can really lead, but we have to address concerns about connectivity and fragmentation. In Europe the single market is our crown jewel. It's about bringing down those barriers and building a connected, competitive continent for all, about ensuring that every European can enjoy the devices and services they need, and about regaining a global lead and restarting our economic engine.

I fully support the Commission's activities in launching Start-Ups Europe and Fi-Ware. We are starting to see European companies dominating the app market and becoming major players in the global digital economy (UK-based King.com with Candy Crush, Finnish firm Rovio with Angry Birds, etc.). In a highly competitive business world and faced with the difficulty of finding young people who have certain skills, startups need support.

How does the Commission intend to support the startup environment? Does it plan to introduce financial incentives for business-support services provided by accelerators and corporations? Does it recognise the need to create more free and open regulations for venture capitalists in Europe so that the startups with the truly greatest potential for expanding globally can receive investment?

Does the Commission have any plans for more approachable entry regulations for entrepreneurs from the Eastern Neighbourhood?