

**Question for written answer E-003247/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: One-way brain drain from the EU to the US

EU countries have uneven scientific research capacities and infrastructure. In particular, the new Member States from former Eastern European countries have less developed scientific capacity due to many years of under-investment in science. In addition to the outflow of scientists within the EU due to smaller salaries and lower opportunities for professional advancement, there is an increasing outflow, especially of young scientists, from less developed EU Member States to the US.

- Is the Commission aware of this problem?
- What measures is the Commission planning to take in order to prevent a one-way brain drain from less developed countries of the EU to the US?