

**Question for written answer E-003248/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Waste management in Croatia

The EU Framework Directive on waste provides that, by 2015, Croatia must introduce selective collection of waste, i.e. primary selection in municipal waste. In so doing, there is a special need to separate paper, glass, textiles, metal and plastic. In addition to municipal waste, primary selection must also cover biological, construction, medical and other types of special waste categories.

The most challenging year financially is 2018, by which Croatia has to rehabilitate all the existing landfills, a total of 90, and introduce a system of integrated waste management.

Landfill rehabilitation and the introduction of integrated waste management are not progressing at the desired pace and, if we do not meet the negotiated objectives by the set deadlines, serious financial penalties will follow for which it is questionable whether a financially unstable country such as Croatia can bear them.

Does the European Commission have the following information:

- At the current pace of realisation of objectives, what situation is expected after the expiry of deadlines?
- Is there an estimate of potential future penalties for Croatia?