

**Question for written answer E-003318/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: SME Initiative

By late January 2015, of the 28 EU Member States only Spain had launched the SME Initiative, the programme designed by the Commission to unlock additional lending for small and medium-sized enterprises by reallocating part of the country's funding from Structural Funds to enable the EIB to secure credits for SMEs and holders of pre-existing loans.

Will all kinds of SME have access to the Initiative, or will priority be given to enterprises that are considered to be in more 'cutting-edge' or innovative sectors?