

**Question for written answer E-003451/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Cormorant overpopulation

The issue of cormorant overpopulation was reported to the European Commission on several occasions. As a result, the Commission published an explanatory booklet on the use by Member States of Article 9 of the 'Birds Directive' and set up the CorMan project, a platform for scientific information and the exchange of experiences and best practices. The project was due to end in summer 2014.

What conclusions has the European Commission drawn and what steps does it intend to take to contribute to resolving the problem of overpopulation?