

**Question for written answer E-006090/2015**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Creation of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), sponsored by China, has attracted 57 countries across the world to join as founder members. The bank will have initial capital of 50 billion dollars to finance infrastructure projects in Asia. No EU institution will form part of this important new organisation, although five Member States of the Union, namely the UK, Germany, France, Italy and Spain, will be represented in the AIIB. This situation underscores yet again the lack of ambition in the EU's foreign policy and its subordination to the Member States. It is vital that the EU should be present in the main international organisations and forums in order to be able to develop foreign and trade policies in accordance with its economic weight.

- What is the Commission's view on the creation of the AIIB?
- Has the Commission considered participating as a founder member?
- At all events, does the Commission intend to become a shareholder or otherwise collaborate with the AIIB in the future?