

**Question for written answer E-009988/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Aid for the construction of a new hospital in Évora

At a recent meeting with the administration of the Espírito Santo Hospital in Évora, which has central hospital status, I was able to confirm the logistical problems facing the hospital. Housed in an old building for more than 40 years, the infrastructure is clearly too small and inadequate to meet users' needs, preventing both the development of existing services and investment and expansion for the provision of new clinical services, such as rheumatology, neurosurgery or vascular surgery, which are vital for users not only in Évora but throughout the region of Alentejo. Also, a new hospital building would allow for investment in technological innovation and diversification, which are essential both for users' health and for the work of health professionals.

There is clearly an urgent need for a new central hospital to be built – a project that has been postponed for years by successive national governments.

- Which programmes and measures under the current Multiannual Financial Framework (2014-2020) could provide aid for the construction of the new hospital in Évora, and what are the conditions governing the proposed co-financing rates?
- Has any body or institution submitted an application for EU funding for the construction of the new hospital?