

**Question for written answer E-011886/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Aid for the construction of medium-sized milk-processing units

Several dairy farmers on various islands in the Azores are in extreme difficulty, particularly as a result of the European Union's decision to end the milk quota system. It is a known fact that dairy farming has always played a major role in the economy of several islands in the Azores. Many producers and producers' associations think it is vital for the industry's development not only to reintroduce a regulatory mechanism like milk quotas but also to construct medium-sized processing units, which will take farmers' milk at guaranteed fair prices.

What funding might be available under the EU's current multiannual financial framework for 2014-2020 to support this type of project, particularly in the Azores?