

**Question for written answer E-012072/2015  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Commission strategy on cheap steel imports

For some months now the Commission has been launching investigations or taking anti-dumping measures against the import of cheap steel, primarily from China and Russia.

Over-production by China might lead to the large-scale importing of cut-price steel into the European market.

This would cause European businesses to suffer a considerable loss of market share and a palpable reduction in activity and would, of course, ultimately lead to major job losses in a steel industry which has already suffered heavily from the effects of the economic crisis and global competition.

Does the Commission plan to draw up comprehensive protection measures to enable the European steel sector to withstand the onslaught of global competitors benefiting from huge amounts of public aid and internal social legislation which pays scant attention to workers' rights?