

**Question for written answer E-015406/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Implementing Integrated Territorial Investments (ITI)

Territorial cohesion has been recognised as one of the fundamental objectives of the EU. It is a fact that more emphasis has been placed on adopting an approach to economic, social and territorial cohesion that is integrated and directed towards specific areas by preparing ITIs (Article 36 of the Common Provisions Regulation), which is intended to assist in the implementation of Integrated Territorial Strategies. Given that ITIs can be used to attain the objective of sustainable development, several questions arise following analysis of the appropriate documents.

1. When will the Commission prepare guidelines and recommendations for ITIs in view of the fact that they are currently a very flexible tool and not all potential solutions can be specified? This is an exceptionally important issue, especially for potential beneficiaries.
2. What resources have been earmarked for the implementation of ITIs under the current MFF (in EUR and as a percentage of the EU budget under the current MFF)?
3. What role will representatives of NGOs play at EU level in terms of developing good practices, recommendations and guidelines?