

**Question for written answer E-015431/2015/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Tre Monti landfill in Imola

Tre Monti landfill in Imola (Bologna province) is owned by the consortium ConAmi and managed by HeraAmbiente, a company belonging to the Hera Group, which is a refuse collection group. Recently, an environmental impact assessment has been requested for a seven-hectare expansion project which would increase the landfill's capacity to four million tonnes of unsorted waste and make it the biggest landfill in Italy.

The scarcity of landfills and the consequent high cost of waste disposal constitute an incentive for attaining the targets set in the Waste Framework Directive (2011/753/EU), which are intended to reduce landfilling and provide incentives for increasing separate collection.

If the same company or group both disposes of waste and manages a landfill, its costs will undoubtedly be lower, because it will not have any payments to make.

- Does the Commission consider it desirable to apply the European law in force to prevent conflicts of interest and dominant market positions from arising and being consolidated in the case of companies or groups which, as well as collecting waste, also manage landfills or incinerators?
- Does the Commission consider that the fact that the above circumstances apply to a business could act as a brake on the attainment of the collection targets for 2020, in that they are not conducive to separate collection of waste?