

**Question for written answer E-015812/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: Access to Commission evaluation of the potential impact on jobs and investment in Romania and other Member States of changes made to the Renewable Energy Directive

At the time when the Commission proposed changes to the Renewable Energy Directive (RED), warnings were given that the proposed changes would have a 'chilling impact' on investor confidence, with a negative knock-on effect on Member States such as Romania. Investment in the ethanol industry has dried up and projects that were planned in a number of Member States have been cancelled. Against this background, I would like to ask whether the Commission fully assessed the negative impacts of its proposals to amend the RED on investment and jobs, and, in particular, for details to be published of the Commission's assessment of the likely impact of its proposals on the following:

- Future job creation in Romania in the ethanol sector, specifying the industry sources consulted by the Commission in making its assessment;
- Farming incomes and rural investment in Member States such as Romania, which has an extensive and unrealised capacity for sustainable low ILUC ethanol production.