

**Question for written answer E-003466/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Achieving the 10 % electricity interconnection target for 2020.

Renewable energy and increased energy efficiency leading to energy savings are critical to a stable, secure, independent and democratic energy system for the European Union, which generates high-quality jobs and wealth within a future-oriented sustainable economy. With this in mind:

1. Will the Commission carry out an independent audit on the resources available to all national energy regulators and the extent to which they have achieved independence, including recommendations on how to improve the situation? If so, when?
2. Will the Commission grant ACER the appropriate competences and authorisation to gather essential information on individual cross border transmission capacities so that the agency can carry out its supervisory role effectively? If so, when?
3. When will the Commission assess the situations in which the use of best available technology (BAT) could be established as a precondition for allocating EU funds to projects?