

**Question for written answer E-003596/2016  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Adriatic-Ionian macroregion

European Union macroregional strategies are intended to find solutions for common challenges faced by Member States, but also by third countries located in the same geographical areas which therefore benefit from strengthened cooperation leading to economic, social and territorial cohesion. The many challenges faced by the Adriatic-Ionian macroregion include issues relating to environmental protection, inefficient transport connections and lack of cooperation in enhancing cohesion, competition and innovativeness.

Since the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI) provides huge opportunities for financing common projects, what activities are envisaged to increase the visibility of the Fund and target it more at macroregional projects?