

**Question for written answer E-003980/2016
to the Commission**
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Subject: Digitisation of the economy and job losses

The digitisation of the economy is causing a steep drop in the number of jobs on offer on the European labour market for which qualifications are not required. This situation looks set to become more acute, with many NEETs (young people who are not in education, employment or training) finding it impossible to get into a job. There is clear evidence that this is already an established phenomenon, with youth unemployment rates in the Member States constantly on the rise despite all the EU programmes that have been put in place so far in an attempt to reverse this trend.

1. Why is the Commission not doing more to anticipate the challenges posed by the digitisation of the economy in proposing new forms of support for jobs in favour of unqualified young and unemployed people?
2. Why does it not place more emphasis on job opportunities in the sectors with the most potential (craftsmanship, tourism, ICT, services, etc.) in order to boost what is on offer, rather than focusing on pseudo-skills that are not recognised on the labour market?