

**Question for written answer E-006606/2016
to the Commission**

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Subject: Digital divide in peripheral areas

In order to overcome the phenomenon of the digital divide in the remotest areas and to promote their innovation and competitiveness, will the Commission propose to Member States an extraordinary plan for the digital sector in peripheral areas, with guidelines for putting part of VAT revenue from digital products to uniform use in order to take more effective action to develop digitisation (for example by increasing cabling and the establishment of wifi networks and by means of greater digitisation of schools, hospitals and administrations)?