

**Question for written answer E-007714/2016  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Entrepreneurship poles for students in university centres

According to statistical data, only 2% of university students who finish their studies become managers of their own business while they are studying or after graduating.

Several university centres in the Member States are trying to develop projects to increase the number of entrepreneurs among students by setting up entrepreneurship poles for students, focusing on innovation.

These projects are also an attempt to foster cooperation among engineering schools, trade schools or schools in other fields, as the centres put forward proposals for common entrepreneurship modules. Their purpose is to give students the opportunity to take a step towards becoming entrepreneurs in the future, starting up their own business within the universities, and combining their knowledge of different disciplines to better meet the requirements of the market.

How will the Commission support programmes for the development of entrepreneurship poles for students in university centres, and of entrepreneurship project incubators and accelerators?