

**Question for written answer E-002694/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Growth of 'green jobs' and future workforce needs

The Commission defines green jobs as jobs which depend on the environment or which are created as part of the transition to a green economy. In a report dated 7 July 2015, Parliament forecast that 'the green economy' could generate three million green jobs by 2020.

The report emphasised that the transition to a green economy would call for professional skills in engineering and science. In general, the number of science and engineering-related jobs is expected to increase by 12.1% by 2025, as compared to overall job growth of 3.8% (CEDEFOP, 2015).

Graduates in science and technology represented between 18 and 19% of all graduates between 2007 and 2012. The average annual growth rate over this period was 3.8%.

1. Does the Commission expect there to be future labour shortages in the green energy sector?
2. What are the Commission's recommendations on adapting academic training to meet the need for 'green skills'?
3. Does the Commission plan to employ specialised labour immigration schemes in order to meet some of these future labour needs?