

**Question for written answer E-004874/2017  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Deliveroo or the 'Uberisation' of labour relations

The technological revolution has given us apps providing services which are convenient for their users but lead to a breakdown in labour relations by putting workers in a position of false self-employment. The apps are a form of technology that serves an uncollaborative 'extractive economy', which bypasses labour rights and diminishes working income to swell capital in an imbalance that is not sustainable.

On 2 July 2017, Deliveroo riders in Spain stopped working in protest at their working conditions. Without the right to paid leave or to benefits for unemployment or temporary incapacity, and monitored by GPS, they are forced to stay on the streets in the hope that the app assigns them an order for which they will earn EUR 4.20. They are asking to be guaranteed 20 hours of work per week and two orders per hour. The lack of regulation is forcing them to beg.

Governments are resisting regulating this limbo situation because the underemployment that it creates helps to 'whitewash' employment figures.

1. What is the Commission's response to the degradation of the labour market caused by apps such as Deliveroo, UberEATS and Uber?
2. Does the Commission still claim to be tackling social dumping? If so, how?