

**Question for written answer E-002113/2018  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Water abstraction area in Gualdo Tadino (Perugia)

In 2015, 7 years in advance, Rocchetta obtained the renewal of the concession to exploit 6 wells to extract water within the 'Monti Maggio - Monte Nero' Site of Community Importance (SCI), regulated by 'The Habitats Directive' No 92/43/EEC and 'The Birds Directive' No 79/409/EEC.

European rules provide that projects within an SCI are subject to an environmental impact evaluation (EIE), providing for 'compensation' especially if, as in this case, an increase in water abstraction from 13 to 25 litres per second is concealed.

The obligation for an EIA and an EIE has been surpassed thanks to a legal artifice and only the appeals presented by the 'Ente Comunanza Agraria', owner of the land, has prevented this from going ahead.

Furthermore, the 'compensation works' presented - in a totally arbitrary manner - involved the construction of an 'Oasis', a term with no legal value, with a car park and an enclosure for wild animals.

Was the Commission aware of the presented facts? What initiatives does it intend to take to verify the violation of Directives 92/43/EEC and 79/409/EEC?

How does it intend to verify that doubling abstraction without the necessary preventive assessments does not violate the aforementioned directives?