

**Question for written answer P-007658/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Extending the eligibility period for rural development programme spending for the period 2007-2013

Owing to the economic crisis, many beneficiaries of rural development programmes have not been able to complete their projects by the deadline set – 31 December 2015.

Bearing in mind that 17 Member States have asked for the eligibility period for rural development programme spending for the period 2007-2013 to be extended, what steps will the Commission take to prevent a situation where projects are left uncompleted, jeopardising the future of farms?