

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3146/00  
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to the Commission

Subject: High price of heating fuel in Italy

In Italy the price of heating fuel is twice as high as that set by the other Member States and has now reached Lit. 1 700 per litre, compared with the European average of Lit 800.

This problem is particularly acute for Italians living in mountain regions, especially pensioners, who are obliged to heat their houses for nine months a year. It is essential to bring the price of heating fuel in Italy into line with the European average.

Does the Commission intend to propose legislation setting out the conditions for establishing a uniform price for heating fuel in all the Member States?