

**Question for written answer E-000979/2011
to the Commission**
Rule 117
Alan Kelly (S&D)

Subject: Pig producers

In relation to pig producers, does the Commission plan on implementing measures which would offer financial assistance to Irish pig producers who are unable to pay their feed bills and are unable to secure either credit from millers or funding from banks?

How does the Commission plan to ensure that the pig sector does not find itself in a crisis akin to the milk or cattle crises of recent times, given the doubling of cereal prices in the last 12 months? What targeted initiatives, if any, are envisaged?