

**Question for written answer E-001920/2012  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Violation of competition rules for the allocation of subsidies for renewable energy projects

On 6 December 2011, I addressed a written question to the Commission concerning its assessment of compliance with Community law of a decision taken by the National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management in respect of the geothermal project of the Lux Veritatis Foundation of Toruń.

The reply sent by the Commissioner 20 January 2012 included the following statement: 'The managing authority responsible for implementation of the Infrastructure and Environment Project, within the framework of which the project concerned was to be financed, is the Polish Ministry of Regional Development. It has full responsibility for the project selection process'.

This statement provoked an objection from the Polish Ministry of Regional Development, which, in a letter to one of the newspapers, reported that: 'The Ministry of Regional Development has not participated in the financing of this project in any way...'

In view of the fact that the explanations of the Polish Ministry of Regional Development call into question the credibility of the Commission, we request that a position be adopted on this matter and ask if the Commission can investigate the circumstances in which the National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management has severed the contract for a grant to study the geothermal waters in Toruń that was signed earlier with the Lux Veritatis Foundation?