

**Question for written answer E-007198/2012
to the Commission**

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Subject: Environmental infrastructure projects and financing

1. As most environmental infrastructure has to be built at municipal level, how can the Commission ensure that local authorities have the necessary know-how to develop and manage environmental projects that will be presented for EU co-financing?
2. Would the Commission consider a co-financing national authority that would support municipalities in preparing project pipelines for tendering and managing environmental projects?
3. Can the Commission provide Bulgaria with technical assistance for the development of the public private partnerships (PPPs) that will attract private investment in environmental and other types of project?
4. Why has the Jessica financing instrument not been developed in Bulgaria, and how would the Commission help in promoting its potential and use in the country?