

**Question for written answer E-000278/2014
to the Council**
Rule 117
Hans-Peter Martin (NI)

Subject: Costs of construction of the Europa building

In its answer to Question E-002198/2013¹ by Hans-Peter Martin, the Council estimated the costs of constructing the Europa building to be EUR 303 million on the basis of calculations made in January 2013. The costs were originally estimated to be EUR 220 million in January 2004 and the Council set a ceiling of EUR 240 million.

1. What are the total costs of constructing the Europa building according to the most up-to-date estimates?
2. How much of this has already been transferred to the Belgian state as the main contractor?
3. How much was transferred to the Belgian state in 2013 and what sums does the EU plan to transfer in the years from 2014 until all costs have been settled?
4. Is it possible to meet the handover deadline of 15 April 2014? Are the construction measures progressing according to plan, or are there any delays? If so, what is the new schedule and will this affect the costs?

¹ <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?type=WQ&reference=E-2013-002198&language=DE>