

**Question for written answer E-002597/2014  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Action to preserve the Lagoa de Óbidos

The Lagoa de Óbidos is a lagoon system of major environmental, social, economic and cultural importance. As it has a natural tendency to silt up, maintenance of the lagoon calls for a range of actions, some of them periodic, for it to be kept in a good state of conservation. At a recent meeting with local people and nongovernmental organisations working on public initiatives to protect the lake, we heard their concerns about the gradual degradation of the lagoon system and the lack of progress on action which could remedy the situation. One such action is the need for dredging in the Barrosa and Bom Sucesso branches of the lagoon, as well as some small-scale intervention at the lagoon mouth to protect houses and infrastructure.

Could the Commission provide the following information:

1. What funds, programmes and measures within the new multiannual financial framework (2014-2020) could be used to support the above-mentioned conservation work in the Lagoa de Óbidos? What are the funding requirements?
2. What funds, programmes and measures under the last multiannual financial framework (2007-2013) could still be used to support the above-mentioned conservation work in the Lagoa de Óbidos? What are the funding requirements?