

**Question for written answer E-005223/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: Financial guidance for capital-intensive research institutes

During the negotiations for Horizon 2020, the Commission promised that it would provide additional financial guidance for capital-intensive research institutes, in order to help clarify which capital costs should be allocated as direct costs under Horizon 2020 grants.

Rothamsted in the East of England is the longest-standing agricultural research facility in the world and obviously has significant capital costs. It is important that organisations like this should have their costs covered when they are participating in an EU-funded programme.

Can the Commission please confirm in what way institutions of this nature can access such advice?