

**Question for written answer E-005351/2014  
to the Council**  
Rule 117  
**Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy (ALDE)**

Subject: Progress in implementation of EU biodiversity strategy

In its Council conclusions of December 2011 the Council 'stresses the importance of ensuring appropriate funding at EU and Member States level for maintenance and restoration of ecosystems and their services'.

Does the Council believe that appropriate funding has been ensured? If not, what does the Council plan to do to attract more funds?