

**Question for written answer E-005865/2018
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: The need to secure affordable housing for citizens

One of the biggest social problems, which is accentuated day-by-day and which the EU is obligated to address, is the security of affordable housing or low rent for European citizens.

Small countries such as Cyprus are affected more by this problem due to their limited supply of land and properties. Taking into account the increasing number of students in Cyprus, the phenomenon of prohibitively expensive rent and a shortage of available properties is being observed.

I believe that the EU is able to support countries such as Cyprus, with funding programmes and a structural housing policy, so that they can effectively address the housing problem.

Can the Commission say:

How it intends to address the burning housing issue concerning EU countries such as Cyprus?

Which European programmes are being offered in order to address this housing issue?

How will the EU address the high rent and limited housing problem in Cyprus?