

**Question for written answer E-002755/2019
to the Commission
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Subject: Saving the world's forests

This summer has been catastrophic for the world's forests. The Amazon, Equatorial and Siberian regions have suffered from severe forest fires causing devastating damage that cannot be repaired in the years to come. These forests play a key role in protecting the climate worldwide that can affect life on the planet as we know it. The situation is particularly worrying. These are the consequences of an unusually hot July, the warmest ever month on Earth.

What is the Commission doing to protect forests and tackle forest fires worldwide as part of its global climate strategy?

Is the Commission planning to propose particular actions and financial support in relation to the recent fires in the Amazon, Equatorial and Siberian regions?