

**Question for written answer E-001196/2021  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Announced closure of the Bosch plant in Lliçà d'Amunt

The German automotive components multinational Bosch has announced the closure of another of its plants in Catalonia. It intends to close the factory located in Lliçà d'Amunt (Vallès Oriental), where 336 people are currently employed, and move production to Wrocław (Poland). This is the second relocation of plants in Catalonia by this firm in less than six months, in a region heavily affected by collective redundancies, with 1 064 workers affected in January 2021 alone.

Given the serious socio-economic repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic, and taking into account the provisions of Article 2 of Directive 98/59/EC on collective redundancies:

1. Is the Commission aware of the situation of the company and is it planning measures to mitigate the economic and social consequences of the relocation and collective redundancies?
2. Is any legislation being planned to combat relocations which result in the disappearance of companies from strategic sectors in industrial regions?
3. Does the Commission think that *Next Generation EU* funds might allow such companies to invest in reconversion and avoid forced closures?