

**Question for written answer E-002032/2021**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Charging infrastructure for electric vehicles – shortfall in facilities and funding

The European Court of Auditors' report on charging infrastructure for electric vehicles, published on 13 April 2021, criticises the delays in setting up charging points in Europe and slams the Commission's failures in this area.

Of course, the main obstacles that people face when it comes to buying an electric vehicle are the high prices and the paucity of charging infrastructure.

According to the Court of Auditors, 'obstacles to travel across the EU in electric vehicles remain. The availability of charging stations varies between countries, payment systems are not harmonised and there is not enough real-time information for users.'

As a result, it will be impossible to achieve the target of 1 million charging stations being installed by 2025, let alone the later target of 3 million by 2030.

It is also claimed in the report that Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) funding had been misallocated, as 'the Commission has been unable to ensure that it goes where it is most needed'.

What will the Commission do to address the shortfall in facilities and funding exposed by the Court of Auditors?