

**Question for written answer E-003818/2021**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Promoting future-oriented technology in space travel

The EU's European Space Agency is one of the leading players in space. 'Raumfahrt [space travel] made in Europe' is an integral part of international efforts to explore space. Space travel is also a key industry of the future. Earth orbit has a great potential particularly for the digitisation of Europe.

1. What is the Commission doing to support the establishment of a 'New Space Ecosystem' and the growing share of middle-sized companies in the space travel sector?
2. What action is the Commission taking to create more open competition for European launch vehicles?
3. How is the Commission promoting a more sustainable use of space at international level, thereby enabling future generations to have access to it?