

**Question for written answer E-001657/2022  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Political will at EU level to put an end to intensive animal farming

A study conducted by the association L214 brought to light the 'agony' that animals in intensive farming suffer.

At EU level, the organisation Compassion in World Farming launched the European Citizens' Initiative 'End the Cage Age', which received over 1.6 million signatures and was presented at a public hearing in the European Parliament.

The majority of consumers seem to be in favour of this initiative and more than 140 scientists signed a letter to Commission President Ursula von der Leyen calling for her to put an end to cage farming across the EU. Large food companies from all over Europe have also written to the Commission to express their support for this initiative.

While the calls for more animal-friendly farming continue to grow in number, the transition has yet to happen.

1. Is the Commission looking into the consequences of intensive farming, and will it put an end to it?
2. Will it provide support to livestock farmers so that they can cope with the move away from this unsustainable, abusive way of farming?