

**Question for written answer E-003938/2022
to the Commission**

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Subject: Fertiliser shortages and integrated nutrient management plan

Secure and affordable food supplies in the EU are currently being jeopardised by serious fertiliser shortages. The Commission communication of 9 November on ensuring availability and affordability of fertilisers adopts a medium- and long-term approach without offering any immediate solutions. An integrated nutrient management plan seeking to ensure the more sustainable use of nutrients and provide market incentives for nutrient recovery and circularity was due to come into effect in the last quarter of 2022. However, despite the urgency of the matter, publication of the plan has not been treated as a priority and has, on the contrary, been postponed until 2023.

1. Can the Commission say why the integrated nutrient management plan has been postponed?
2. What solutions to the current fertiliser shortage can be proposed to ensure farmers a successful crop and accompanying profits for 2023?

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