## Question for written answer E-000206/2024 to the Commission

**Rule 138** 

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Subject: EU strategy for sustainable biofuels

The European Court of Auditors has published a report entitled 'The EU's support for sustainable biofuels in transport' that analyses EU policies in that area.

It found that, owing to an outdated and fragmented legal framework (the EU Biofuels Strategy dates back to 2006), the EU has no clear policy perspective on biofuels.

Only EUR 430 million from the 2014-2020 programming period and the Horizon 2020 programme were made available for research and support for biofuels.

Investment in the sector has not been forthcoming as a result of EU policies, which have made it uncompetitive and unattractive to investors.

In view of the above:

- 1. Was the failure to draw up proper strategic plans and economic measures, a failure which has severely restricted the development of biofuels, a deliberate political choice to benefit the electricity sector?
- 2. Can an effective strategic plan for biofuels the purpose of which, as stated in the report, is to decarbonise transport (paragraph 53) be a viable alternative to achieve the decarbonisation of transport?

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