

**Question for written answer E-000423/2024  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Cohesion policy in the outermost regions

The recently published study 'Cohesion Policy in the outermost regions' includes the following recommendations for policies affecting those regions:

- adding flexibility and tailoring to cohesion policy and other EU policies to achieve complementarity among EU funds;
- supporting transport development (for example, by way of a new POSEI-like transport programme).

The study's executive summary also mentions the need to use more tailored approaches and territorialise cohesion policy.

All of this demonstrates the need to set up specific, tailor-made financial instruments for the outermost regions and go further than the positive discrimination those regions have when accessing those instruments. These conclusions respond to what outermost regions' residents and authorities have been calling for, as well as recurrent proposals made in a variety of facets of the European Parliament's work, such as setting up a POSEI-Transport and a POSEI-Fisheries.

In light of the above:

1. How does the Commission see the idea of setting up the above-mentioned funds (or any others it sees fit)?
2. What timetable could be adopted for setting up those funds, following the content of the study?

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