Question for written answer P-003230/2013 to the Commission
Rule 117
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Subject: Construction of a wind farm in the German-Czech border region

An investor is planning to build 18 wind turbines in the crest area of the Erzgebirge mountains, which form the border between Germany and the Czech Republic. The planned windfarm is located in the middle of a European bird protection area and immediately adjacent to the 'Oberes Osterzgebirge' landscape protection area. The deadline for final observations concerning the environmental impact assessment was the beginning of March.

- 1. What legal persons or institutions are entitled to challenge the legality of a decision in the context of an environmental impact assessment pursuant to Directive 2011/92/EU, in particular where cross-border consideration is involved?
- Does the Commission know what measures have been taken in the Czech Republic, as part of the process of transposing Directive 2011/92/EU, to ensure that members of the public concerned have access to a review procedure pursuant to Article 11 of Directive 2011/92/EU?
- 3. Does the Commission know to what extent the Czech Republic has ensured, pursuant to Article 11(5) of Directive 2011/92/EU, that information is made available to the public on access to and the use of judicial review procedures?
- 4. Does the Commission know whether the Czech Republic has sought financial support from the European Union for the planned windfarm?

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