

**Question for written answer E-014800/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Florence airport

On 24 March 2015 the Italian Civil Aviation Authority (ENAC) launched an environmental impact assessment of the 2014-2029 master plan for Florence airport, which includes plans for the construction of a new takeoff and landing runway.

The plan fails to take account of adjacent areas that would be at risk in the event of an accident. What is more, the ENAC's assessment procedure is at odds with the standard International Civil Aviation Authority (ICAO) methodology and the new runway is to extend into wetlands in which there is a major risk of bird strikes, which is contrary to all ICAO rules.

1. Is the Commission aware of this situation?
2. Will it ascertain whether the ENAC used the correct ICAO methodology for calculating the usability factor?
3. Would it not agree that having aircraft taking off and landing over Florence is at odds with Directives 2002/30/EC and 2002/49/EC?