

**Question for written answer E-016061/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Research infrastructures in the EU

Research infrastructures play a crucial role in the advancement of knowledge and technology. They are responsible for some of the greatest scientific discoveries and are also influential in attracting the best researchers. Over the last few decades it has become clear that more and more Europeans are looking to study and work in the United States, given that many of the best research infrastructures are located there.

In view of the above, can the Commission state what steps it has taken recently to create better research infrastructures in order to help researchers and scientists develop their careers in the EU?