

**Question for written answer E-014445/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Dairy sector crisis in Italy

According to recent statistics, the dairy sector in Italy is going through a very severe crisis, as sales prices very often do not even cover the cost of milk production. Moreover, this crisis is not affecting only farms, which are often forced to close down, but is also having an impact on related economic activities, such as feed businesses, commodities traders, machinery companies and vets.

The milk package and the entire legislative framework have proven to be inadequate to support the current crisis in the sector.

Can the Commission therefore say:

- whether it is considering amending the milk package;
- whether it intends to take any alternative measures to support the dairy sector in Italy?