

Question for written answer E-015708/2015
to the Commission
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Subject: Funding of energy efficiency projects in rural, mountainous and remote areas of the EU

Financial support for energy efficiency programmes and projects is enabled through several programmes and instruments of the EU. EU funds and programmes focused on the implementation of energy efficiency aim to create favourable conditions for the implementation of the new energy policies in terms of the funding of local and regional public authorities and their enticement to energy diversification, greater use of new renewable energy in traffic and greater energy efficiency. The European Energy Efficiency Fund devotes approximately 70 % of its funds to the financing of energy efficiency, and the European Regional Development Fund allocates more than 50 % of its funds to energy efficiency, investment and research in less developed regions.

Consequently I ask the following questions:

1. Is there a special provision for funding energy efficiency in rural, mountainous and remote areas of the EU from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development?
2. Is there a special provision for funding energy efficiency in rural, mountainous and remote areas from the European Fund for Energy Efficiency or the European Regional Development Fund?
3. Is there a special provision for funding energy efficiency in rural, mountainous and remote areas of the EU from the Intelligent Energy – Europe programme or the Mobilising Local Energy Investments Project?