

**Question for written answer E-014554/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Investment Plan for Europe

The Investment Plan for Europe (Juncker Plan) aims to relaunch growth by addressing two major shortcomings in the European economy, the lack of investment and the innovation gap compared to American and Asian competitors. The European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), which has a €21 billion guarantee (€16 billion from the EU budget and €5 billion from the European Investment Bank), should enable €315 billion of investments to be raised in the public and private sectors through the risk-sharing system that has been put in place. This is a paradigm shift in the use of the EU budget, which is no longer simply there to fund subsidies, but instead takes us into an era of guaranteed loans to finance viable projects. As the calls for applications were launched a few months ago,

1. can the Commission specify the sectors in which projects will be undertaken and the values involved?
2. have research and innovation benefited from this plan, and to what level?
3. can the Commission indicate the geographical distribution of the projects selected?