

**Question for written answer E-014952/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Waste incinerator in province of Florence

On 6 August 2015 authorisation was given for the building of a waste incinerator at Case Passerini in the province of Florence, on the basis of an environmental impact assessment (EIA) carried out on an earlier project.

The European Investment Bank included the incinerator in its list of projects eligible for funding under number 20150044 and proposed to provide EUR 80 million in funding, before opening further investigations into its eligibility at the request of various bodies.

The procedure followed is in breach of the Stockholm Convention, as no possible alternatives have been assessed.

Also, the documentation for the EIA does not include the baseline report provided for in Article 22(2) of Directive 2010/75/EU.

What is more, during the EIA, the impact of motor vehicle emissions (in particular nitrogen dioxide) on an area in which there is already a substantial amount of pollution from other sources was estimated on the basis of vehicle manufacturers' figures.

In view of the recent scandals concerning falsified consumption and emissions figures, there is good reason to believe that that estimate grossly underestimates the impact of motor vehicle emissions and, accordingly, that the EIA is extremely inaccurate.

Would the Commission agree that there appear to be major flaws in this project and that a fresh EIA should therefore be carried out and authorisation procedures should be reviewed?