

**Question for written answer E-002113/2024
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Potential loss of a historic site in Oviedo: European funding for soil decontamination at the old gas and electricity factory

Just as the platform Fábrica de Gas e Ideas and the municipal group IU-Convocatoria por Oviedo have warned, the planned renovation works at the old gas and electricity factory in Oviedo — including its demolition and decontamination — could lead to the loss of a historic site and of the opportunity to restore it. The entire premises would then be handed over to public use, as Rome, Athens and Glasgow have already done.

In the urban speculation project that threatens the conservation and restoration of this site, which holds irrefutable cultural value, a schedule of works is to be carried out by the private company Ginkgo Advisor to decontaminate the soil and water.

Given that this decontamination must be done in full compliance with the relevant EU legislation and that the demolition, besides entailing an enormous loss of cultural heritage, could result in health repercussions:

1. Has the European Commission been informed of the planned renovation of the old factory?
2. Could the Commission clarify if it has granted European funds for any part of the special plan to renovate the interior of the gas factory in Oviedo?
3. Is the Commission aware that the company Ginkgo Advisor is receiving European funds to decontaminate the site at issue?

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