

**Question for written answer E-003350/2025
to the Commission**
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Subject: Infrastructure and investment in the Dodecanese and the Eastern Aegean

Despite the crucial geostrategic role played by regions such as Kos, Samos and Kastellorizo, the reality for the inhabitants of these islands remains disappointing: inadequate health infrastructure, limited coastal shipping connections, energy dependence and a general sense of abandonment.

The above regions constitute external borders of the European Union and are subject to intense geopolitical pressure, and have also been repeatedly included in European cohesion and development financial frameworks.

Accordingly:

1. How does the Commission assess the fact that these island regions have not yet acquired basic infrastructure, despite the flow of European funds through the NSRF, the Cohesion Fund and other programmes?
2. Has the Commission assessed the efficiency and effectiveness of the allocation of European funds in the Dodecanese and Eastern Aegean regions?
3. Does the Commission intend to develop targeted financial instruments for islands in critical strategic locations, such as Kastellorizo, in order to strengthen the retention of the population and the functional adequacy of the structures?

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