

**Question for written answer E-003587/2025/rev.1
to the Commission**
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Subject: Current Commission policy on European agriculture

In view of the increasing dependence on imports of agricultural products, the Commission should boost Europe's self-sufficiency when it comes to food and reduce the risks of supply chains being destabilised. The Commission should suspend the ratification process for the EU-Mercosur agreement, which as it stands represents unfair competition for European farmers. The Commission should also make efforts to halt both the continuing decline of small and medium-sized farms and rural depopulation. Farmers are not asking for privileges: they are asking to be treated fairly. To weaken farming is to weaken Europe.

In response to an appeal by European agricultural organisations expressing deep concern about EU agricultural policy, I would like to ask the following questions:

1. Will the Commission guarantee access to effective, safe agricultural inputs (NGTs, plant protection products, precision farming) and support the development of environmentally friendly technologies without imposing unrealistic restrictions?
2. Will the Commission introduce binding 'mirror rules' requiring importers to comply with environmental and production standards that are the same as those that apply in the EU?

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