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The EU is facing a severe housing crisis impacting millions of people. To help tackle this crisis, the Commission has appointed the first-ever Commissioner for Housing and has established a Task Force for Housing. It assists the Commission in coordinating the work among its services and supporting Member States, Mayors and local authorities to address structural drivers, to unlock public and private investment for affordable and sustainable housing, and to add value at EU level, where needed.

The Commission will be working closely with the European Parliament and the Council, across institutions and different levels of public administrations, and across sectors. The Commission will assess various aspects of the lack of affordable housing. Throughout 2025, the Commission intends to extensively consult all relevant stakeholders. All this will feed into the European Affordable Housing Plan (EAHP) and ensure that the plan is well-targeted.

In addition, the Commission services are examining how State aid rules for housing could be revised to enable housing support measures, notably for energy efficiency and social housing, and conduct an analysis of the impact of housing speculations and its economic consequences. The Commission will also work together with the European Investment Bank to establish a pan-European investment platform for affordable and sustainable housing and work closely with other international financial institutions, national promotional banks, and institutions and other stakeholders in this work. The Commission will also develop a European Strategy for Housing Construction.

Regarding the impact of migration on the housing market, the Commission will assess it during the development of the EAHP.