

**Question for written answer E-002545/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**
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Subject: The demographic problem: Greece and the EU are dying a slow death

The EU's demographic problem, especially in Greece, has already turned into a serious crisis.

According to the Hellenic Statistical Authority, Greece's population has been continuously declining over the last decades, the older population has been steadily increasing and the fertility rate remains well below the population replacement level.

Although the situation is just as concerning in other Member States, the EU institutions are still not making this matter a top priority.

On the contrary, the Commission and national Governments alike see the influx of migrants from non-EU countries as the solution for offsetting the population decline.

In view of the above:

1. How does the Commission plan to highlight the true extent of the demographic problem and help tackle the issue in a meaningful way in Member States?
2. Does the Commission plan to help Member States to fund support programmes for European families and how?
3. What steps does the Commission plan to take to limit the influx of illegal migrants to genuine refugees only?

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