

**Question for written answer E-004968/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: European Social Fund - Barano d'Ischia

The Regional Operational Programme (ROP) for Campania 1994-1999, in the context of the project entitled 'European Social Fund financing, Community Support Framework 1994-1999, Nitrodi bridge – Barano – Ischia', saw a total of EUR 728 582 from the European Social Fund being spent in the municipality of Barano d'Ischia, in order to 'improve access to the region'. The ESF was not originally earmarked for these projects, and the Commission previously launched a procedure requesting information on the use of these funds. To date, however, there has been no response clarifying whether or not these funds were misused, and nor has there been any information concerning what actual projects were financed thereby.

1. Can the Commission state what response it has received concerning the implementation of the project?
2. Why was the ESF used to finance a project which did not fall within its scope?
3. If a misuse is shown to have occurred, does the Commission plan to bring action against the Region of Campania in order to obtain reimbursement for the misused funds?