Question for written answer E-006682/2017 to the Commission

Rule 130

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Subject: Mantua waste incinerator

The Province of Mantua has authorised an installation for the disposal and recovery of waste with a capacity exceeding 100 tonnes per day through incineration or treatment at Cartiere Villa Lagarina s.p.a. (IPPC) in the municipality of Mantua (SCI IT20B0017 'Ansa and the Valli del Mincio'; SPA IT20B0009 'Valli del Mincio'; SCI IT20B0010 'Vallazza'), a Site of National Interest (SNI) to be remediated and an area where EU limit values for air quality are constantly exceeded.

This involves multiple decisions, as the project has been artificially split: Proposal for a Decision 1149 of 30.6.2016; Proposal for a Decision 1321 of 25.8.2016; Proposal for a Decision 684 of 3/5/2017; Proposal for a Decision 687 of 20/6/2017; Proposal for a Decision 1051 of 9/8/2017. There has been no Health Impact Assessment or prior Environmental Impact Assessment, nor has there been a Reference Report.

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), for which the Parco Regionale del Mincio is responsible, has expressly been postponed to a later stage.

In the light of this information, can the Commission indicate:

- whether it is aware of the situation regarding the Province of Mantua and the Parco Regionale del Mincio and the serious damage that the project will have on habitats, health and the environment?
- whether it believes that Directives 2010/75/EU, 2011/92/EU, 2014/52/EU and 92/43/EC are being infringed?
- whether it intends to check whether there are any breaches of EU law, inter alia because of the lack of public participation, by raising the issue with the competent Italian authorities?

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