

**Question for written answer E-000492/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Co-marketing flights, sponsorship agreements signed by public bodies in Europe. Airgest case in Sicily

The Trapani Public Prosecutor's Office is investigating Airgest, the company which manages Trapani Birgi Airport, and has issued 15 notices of indictment for embezzlement and false accounting.

On 25 February 2014 TPS and Airport Marketing Services Limited concluded a co-marketing agreement for the web marketing and promotion service via the www.ryanair.com website and other modes; the marketing fee was EUR 2 100 000 per year.

Since 2014 participant numbers have slumped.

In the light of the foregoing and of Articles 107 and 108 TFEU:

- 1) Does the Commission consider the Ryanair/Airgest co-marketing policy to be appropriate and compatible and in line with the TFEU?
- 2) Does it consider Decision No 13 of 30 July 2017 by the contracting authority (CUC Trinkaria Sud, Comiso section) to be in accordance with State aid rules?
- 3) What is the connection between co-marketing agreements and the operations of low-cost airlines at European airports?