

**Question for written answer E-001968/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Funding for gender equality activities

The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) has conducted a survey of the European Structural and Investment Fund (GRNET) programmes for the period 2014-2020 in 11 Member States. The survey concerns gender mainstreaming as reflected in GRNET.

The survey notes that less than 1% of GRNET funding has been allocated to promote gender equality, while gender-specific targets with indicators and data are largely missing from many operational programmes.

Despite the emphasis on gender equality in the analysis and programming phase, little attention is given to implementation and monitoring.

This is despite the legal obligations and political commitments of the EU to remedy the gender gap in all Member States.

Will the Commission say:

- Why has gender mainstreaming in GRNET been limited to the work-life balance?
- Will it introduce quantitative targets and a system for monitoring the funding of gender equality activities in GRNET, as has occurred with activities to combat climate change?
- What level of resources does it plan to channel into actions through the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) to promote gender equality?¹

¹ <https://eige.europa.eu/publications/gender-budgeting-mainstreaming-gender-eu-budget-and-macroeconomic-policy-framework>