

Question for written answer E-002159/2019
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Calabria regional operational programme 2007-2013: risk of final-balance cut

More than two years after the deadlines for reporting under the Calabria regional operational programme 2007-2013, dozens of projects financed under this programme still have yet to be implemented, increasing the risk of partial or complete non-payment of the final balance.

In the light of the communication of 7 June 2019 sent by DG REGIO to the Calabrian regional authorities, a number of problems and irregularities have emerged concerning projects financed with European funds but not yet implemented.

In view of the answer to question P-000993-19 and with a view to ensuring that the public is correctly informed regarding the Calabria Region's management of European funds:

1. Has the Calabria Region provided adequate explanations for the delays in and the failures to carry out projects for which financing has already been earmarked?
2. As things stand, how much does uncertified expenditure and suspended payments for those projects amount to and which projects have not been carried out?
3. Has the Commission decided what measures to take in these cases and when does it expect to take a final decision regarding the balance for this operational programme?