

**Question for written answer E-002894/2019**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
**Laura Ferrara (NI)**

Subject: Urgent Order No 246 issued by the Calabria Region on 7 September 2019 and its compatibility with EU law

By means of Urgent Order No 246 of 7 September 2019 and in a departure from the rules currently in force, the Calabria Region authorised the reopening and extension of a number of regional landfills for the treatment and disposal of municipal waste, in order to protect public health.

The refurbishment of waste treatment plants and the creation of new ones, as provided for in the 2016 regional waste management plan, have not yet been carried out, and landfill is still a key part of waste management in Calabria.

1. Does the Commission consider Order No 246 issued by the Calabria Region to be compatible with Directive 2008/98/EC and the recent changes to EU waste law?
2. More specifically, is Order No 246 issued by the Calabria Region not very much at odds with the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4(1) of Directive 2008/98/EC?
- 3) Does it take the view that the Calabria Region's waste management plan, under which landfill is considered an essential part of the chain (as also reiterated in the recent Order No 246), requires a quick and thorough overhaul to bring it in line with the relevant European laws and policies?