

Question for written answer E-003194/2019
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: ERDF Regional Operational Programme for Calabria 2007-2013: final outcome regarding the 'Piazza Bilotti Cosenza' and 'Lorica Hamata in Sila Amena' projects

The ERDF Regional Operational Programme for Calabria 2007-2013 includes total funding of approximately EUR 30 million for the Integrated Urban Development Project (PISU) for the 'Recreational and cultural redevelopment of Piazza Bilotti - Cosenza' and the 'Lorica Hamata in Sila Amena' Integrated Local Development Project (PILS).

At the closure of the 2007-2013 Calabria ERDF programme, these operations were considered to be the subject of administrative and judicial proceedings.

However, as indicated in the Commission's reply to question P-006331/2018, the planners decided to keep the Lorica and piazza Bilotti operations in the programme, despite the suspension of Commission payment deadlines on 6 April 2017 under Article 91(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006.

Following the conclusion of ongoing administrative and judicial proceedings, either further payments will be made or amounts already paid will be recovered.

Over two years after the suspension of payment deadlines, a number of the projects remain uncompleted. In view of this:

- Can the Commission indicate the amount of the interrupted payments for each of the projects concerned?
- Can it say whether the ERDF project funding commitments are still open?
- Is it aware of the results of the investigations? Who would bear the project costs in the event of ERDF funding decommitment?