

Question for written answer E-006733/2020
to the Commission
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Subject: New waste management plan in Calabria

A typical feature of waste management in Calabria has always been the excessive use of emergency measures and a lack of structural solutions.

As already mentioned in its replies to questions P-002188/2019 and P-003821/2020, the Commission expected to receive, by 5 July 2020 (date of transposition of Directive (EU) 2018/851 amending Directive 2008/98/EC), the updated versions of Calabria's regional waste management plan and its waste prevention programme.

Over the past few weeks, the Calabria Region, through its regional minister for the environment, has announced the approval of the new guidelines in order to adapt the regional plan to the new EU directives.

However, to date, it has not yet been possible to find the official document setting out those new guidelines, nor do we have any information about the stages of, or specific arrangements regarding, the announced measures.

In view of this, can the Commission say:

1. whether it has received the updated regional waste management plan and waste prevention programme in accordance with the latest EU legislation;
2. whether the delays in adopting the new waste management plan risk jeopardising access to funding under the new cohesion policy 2021-2027, given that the existence of a sound plan is one of the essential prerequisites allowing Member States to use the Structural Funds to support their waste management infrastructure;
3. whether it intends to take any further measures to put an end to these delays?