

**Question for written answer E-002079/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Italian Su.Pr.Eme programme

The Italian Su.Pr.Eme programme, which is currently receiving AMIF support from the Commission DG for Migration and Home Affairs,

is part of a three-year plan by the Directorate-General for Migration of the Italian Ministry of Labour and Social Policies to combat the exploitation and illegal recruitment of farm labourers. The objective is the formulation of an extraordinary integrated plan to combat and put an end to the shameless exploitation of marginalised and vulnerable migrant workers in those areas of the five southern regions concerned (Apulia, Basilicata, Calabria, Campania and Sicily) where the problem is the most acute.

The programme, approved by the Commission on 25 July 2019 with a budget of over EUR 30 million, was scheduled to run for 18 months up to April 2021.

However, it appears that, in the past few weeks, the DG for Migration and Home Affairs has approved a 12-month extension for the implementation of various measures.

In view of this:

1. Can the Commission explain why such an extension was granted, given that it will risk undermining the anticipated benefits?
2. What progress has been made in implementing the programme?
3. What specific measures have already been taken in Calabria or what progress is being made in this direction?