

**Question for written answer E-003376/2021  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
**Laura Ferrara (NI)**

**Subject:** New regional waste management plan for Calabria

Waste management in Calabria has always been known for being in a critical state, the excessive use of emergency measures and a lack of structural solutions.

Guidelines on adjusting the waste management plan to meet new EU directives have been approved. Notwithstanding this however, in its reply to question E-006733/2020 last February the Commission said that it had not yet officially received the revised and updated regional waste management plan and waste prevention programme.

The lack of any waste management plans that comply with EU legislation in this field (Directive (EU) 2018/851 and Directive 2008/98/EC) not only delays work on meeting the requirements concerning waste prevention, separated waste collections, recycling plans and reduction of landfill numbers, but also threatens to jeopardise the ultimate aim of transition to a circular economy.

Furthermore, this delay threatens to jeopardise future investments under 2021-2027 programming, as approval of the new waste management plan is an 'enabling condition' for obtaining EU funding.

In light of the above:

1. Has the Commission received the updated regional waste management plan and waste prevention programme, which now comply with the latest EU legislation?
2. Is the protracted delay likely to cause or be one of the causes of a new infringement procedure being started against the Member State?