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Subject: Governance of national recovery and resilience plans

Spanish regions and their municipal councils are concerned about the slow deployment of the Recovery and Resilience Facility funds and when they might reach the productive fabric.

The central government has been publishing calls and distributing funds without involving regional and local authorities, in breach of Articles 18 and 28 of the Recovery and Resilience Facility Regulation.

The operational agreement provides for an annual meeting with the stakeholders responsible for implementing the recovery plan. The Commission has experience in coordinating activities with Member States and regional and local authorities.

In the light of the above:

1. How will the Commission ensure that regional and local authorities are properly involved in the design and development of reforms and investments provided for in national plans and subsequent implementation agreements?

2. How will it ensure that the Recovery and Resilience Facility funds and the 2021-2027 structural and investment funds are complementary and implemented properly and that they reach their final recipients, avoiding delays in their implementation and repayment?