Question for written answer E-001395/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Sergio Berlato (ECR)

Subject: Europe to shed full light on Venice's MOSE affair

Venice's experimental electromechanical module, better known as 'MOSE', was financed, inter alia, by the European Investment Bank. Episodes of corruption have been uncovered. Under anti-money laundering legislation, national financial operators reported suspicious transactions, which are being handled by the Venice Public Prosecutor's Office.

Directive (EU) 2019/1153, incorporated into national law by Legislative Decree No 186 of 8 November 2021, guarantees broad access and consultation of bank account information, but only a handful of operators have the right to request and receive financial information and analyses from the financial intelligence unit.

The Italian Government has yet to adopt Directive (EU) 2019/1937 on the protection of persons who report breaches of Union law.

In view of the above:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of this matter?
- 2. What action will it take so that the national recovery and resilience plan (NRRP) can be independently audited in a way that fully protects those reporting breaches of Union law, in accordance with Directive (EU) 2019/1937?
- 3. What safeguards will it request from the Italian Government to ensure the correct usage of NRRP funds?