Question for written answer E-002717/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Christian Ehler (PPE)

Subject: 'Do no significant harm' principle in Horizon Europe

In its answer to question for written answer E-003400/2021, the Commission wrote: 'The application of the 'Do No Significant Harm' principle in Horizon Europe is voluntary at project level; its possible inclusion in the project description will have no impact on the assessment of the proposal (no impact on the scoring of the proposal). Evaluators are duly informed on project evaluation procedures and principles. Projects applicants can describe in their proposals how their methodology takes into consideration the 'Do No Significant Harm' principle according to Article 17 of the EU Taxonomy Regulation, where relevant. No declaration of projects compliance with the principle is requested.'

- 1. What percentage of applications under Horizon Europe, and specifically under calls and work programmes that do not explicitly mention the 'do no significant harm' (DNSH) principle, included the DNSH principle in the project description?
- 2. What percentage of the budget under the work programme for 2021/2022 was covered by DNSH either by a mention in the specific calls or by a general mention in the particular work programme?
- 3. In how many evaluations did any of the evaluators refer to the DNSH principle as a factor in the assessment of the application?