

**Question for written answer E-000003/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Irregularities in public procurement procedures involving EU funds

According to Parliament's Committee on Budgetary Control (CONT), the number of cases of fraud and irregularities in public procurement procedures involving EU funds increased in 2022.

More specifically, a CONT Committee report would seem to indicate the most important critical issues to concern the RRF (Recovery and Resilience Facility), where a lack of effectiveness was found in the disbursement process and potentially also as regards the assessment of whether to suspend payments.

In view of this:

1. Is the Commission aware of these weak spots in the area of public funds?
2. What steps does the Commission intend to take to reduce the irregularities in the disbursement and management of EU funds?

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