Question for written answer P-001902/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 María Irigoyen Pérez (S&D)

Subject: Distribution of structural funds in Spain

The Commission has published the financial allocations for regional policy for the 2014-2020 period at current prices. Under the new cohesion policy, which has a budget of EUR 325 million (9 % down from present figures), Spain has been allocated EUR 28 559 million.

Although the Commission has stressed the importance of improving cooperation among the authorities responsible for using EU funds and the project partners, by improving consultation processes, transparency, participation and dialogue with partners throughout the whole process (planning, implementation, follow-up and assessment) of carrying out projects financed by the European Structural and Investment Funds, the Spanish Government has so far decided not to publish the distribution among the autonomous communities.

Does the Commission not think that the government's stance contradicts the principles upheld in the code of conduct, in addition to being irresponsible, since it impedes the work of local and regional authorities?

Does the Commission not think that the information detailing the regional distribution of funding should be made public, in order to respect the principle of good governance?

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