

**Question for written answer P-007400/2016**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
**Bendt Bendtsen (PPE)**

Subject: Late payments and access to public procurement in Italy

1. Further to Question P-010223/2014, would the Commission specify what steps have been taken in the case relating to Italy's implementation of the Late Payments Directive (2011/7/EU) since the letter giving formal notice in 2014, including whether the 'Decreto Legge' (Legislative Decree) of 8 April 2013 and the 'Legge conversione' (Implementing Act) of 6 June 2013, and the subsequent adjustments made, now constitute proper implementation of the directive.
2. Does the Commission regard it as compatible with EU rules on free movement for public and regional authorities in Italy usually to insist on a CCC vehicle ('Consorzio Cooperative Costruzioni - CCC Società Cooperativa) in order to participate in public procurement procedures in Italy and hence to gain access to the market there?
3. Does the Commission regard it as compatible with EU law that payment for work carried out for public authorities in Italy should be channelled through CCC vehicles, meaning that authorities' creditors, especially foreign SMEs, are discriminated against - because of the CCC requirement - on the basis of country of origin?