

**Question for written answer P-002188/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Calabria Regional Waste Management Plan: problems and delays

Waste management in Calabria has always been tackled using emergency measures.

A lack of structural solutions and squandering of public money have negatively affected this sector, which is mainly based on the use of landfill.

As has emerged from several hearings before the national parliamentary committee on the so-called eco-mafia, the lack of waste treatment and disposal facilities in Calabria, in addition to the calls for tender launched with a view to transporting the waste out of region, are creating an environmental problem locally as well as an increase in costs and charges for Calabrian citizens. The plan to upgrade old plants and build new ones, set out in the Regional Waste Management Plan adopted in December 2016, has not yet been implemented.

That said, can the Commission say whether, in its view, Directive 2008/98/EC and EU waste legislation in general are being properly implemented and complied with in the Calabria Region, given that a number of recommendations drawn up by the Commission and set out in the Roadmap¹ for Southern Italy have not been acted upon?

Can it also say to what extent the funds from the 2014-2020 regional operational programme for Calabria² (EUR 114 388 019.00), which were supposed to have been used, have hitherto actually been used to upgrade and complete public waste facilities and implement the measures under the Regional Waste Management Plan?

¹ http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/framework/pdf/EN_SOUTH_Roadmap_FINAL.pdf

² ROP Calabria 2014-2020 - OT 6 - Specific objective 6.1 - Measures 6.1.1; 6.1.2; 6.1.3.