

**Priority question for written answer P-000128/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Clarification regarding Wärtsilä redundancies at its Bagnoli della Rosandra site (Trieste, Italy)

In July 2022, Wärtsilä Corporation announced that it would be relocating the production of four-stroke diesel engines from Bagnoli della Rosandra (Trieste, Italy) to Vaasa (Finland).

After months of negotiations with the Friuli-Venezia Giulia Region and the Italian Government, Wärtsilä recently refused the solution that had been found among all the stakeholders of having the institutions mediate, causing the potential agreement on extending the social safety net for the workers involved to fall through.

This could lead to a collective redundancy procedure being launched, which would see some 300 workers lose their jobs over 8 months, as per Italian law.

In response to a question I submitted in July 2022, the European Commission stated that its task was to promote corporate social responsibility in the EU and encourage enterprises to adhere to international principles and follow socially responsible management when restructuring.

In view of the above:

1. What has the Commission done to encourage Wärtsilä to adhere to international principles and follow socially responsible management when restructuring?
2. Is Wärtsilä considered to be in compliance with Directive 98/59/EC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to collective redundancies and the European Works Council Directive?
3. What EU funding has Wärtsilä received and for what purpose (please list in detail)?

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