

**Question for written answer E-004267/2025
to the Commission**

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Subject: Failure by the Spanish Government to submit the Social Climate Plan and to transpose the ETS 2 Directive

Press reports this week indicate that the Spanish government has yet to present its Social Climate Plan to the Commission. This will undoubtedly delay disbursements from the Fund and could prevent regions such as Galicia, which already has projects ready for financing under the Fund, from accessing disbursements in a timely manner. Furthermore, it appears that the Spanish Government has also failed to fulfil its obligation to transpose Directive 2023/959 (ETS 2).

According to the guidance for the implementation of the Social Climate Plan, if a Member State formally sends its plan but has not transposed the ETS 2 Directive, the Commission will not be able to assess the plan submitted. Therefore, even if a plan is submitted by the Spanish government, the Commission will not be able to assess it and disburse funds until the ETS 2 Directive is transposed.

1. How will the Commission ensure that the Spanish Government fulfils its obligations?
2. If the transposition of the ETS 2 Directive continues to be delayed, Spain could find itself forced to implement it without the support of the Climate Social Fund (which has a limited lifespan until 2032). How will the Commission ensure that this funding reaches the regions and citizens who need them?

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