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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Mīnzatu
on behalf of the European Commission
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Article 165 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union states that the EU's role in education is limited to supporting, coordinating, or supplementing the actions of its Member States. Member States remain solely responsible for the content of teaching and the organisation of their education systems. The Commission monitors and supports Member States' education policies under the European Education Area cooperation framework (see Education and Training Monitor¹), the European Semester and through EU funds to help Member States ensure access to quality education and lifelong learning to all.

While the learning environment is essential in this respect, defining common technical specifications for schools is not in the competence of the EU. According to the information available, Ktiriakes Ypodomes S.A. is Greece's sole authority that undertakes the construction of public buildings including schools. The municipalities are responsible for the maintenance of schools.

EU funding for education and training tripled during the 2021-27 period compared to the 2014-20 period, with the total allocation exceeding EUR 130 billion, including EUR 75 billion under the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF).

In Greece some EUR 470 million public funding have been allocated under the cohesion policy programmes for the development and modernisation of infrastructure and equipment for all levels of education.

In addition, Greece supports under the RRF investments related to education, training and skills representing more than 10% of the budget allocated amounting at EUR 30.5 billion. Greece supports the modernisation of its education and training system, including by upgrading digital infrastructure and equipment.

¹ <https://op.europa.eu/webpub/eac/education-and-training-monitor/en/>.