Question for written answer E-002729/2024 to the Commission Rule 144 Paolo Borchia (PfE)

Subject: Risk weight in Italian healthcare bodies

In relation to the application of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms, exposures to Italian national healthcare bodies are assigned a risk weight of 20 %, which is not the case in other EU countries.

In Spain, which has a constitutional healthcare architecture that is entirely comparable to the Italian one, exposures to bodies in the national healthcare sector are treated as exposures to the central government; they are therefore assigned a risk weight of 0 % (Banco di España Circular No 2/2016).

The same approach can also be found in Portugal, as well as, for example, in Germany, France and the Netherlands.

In view of the above:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of this particular situation in Italy, which stands out as unique within the EU?
- 2. What steps might it take in order to ensure an adequate level playing field and remedy a situation that is extremely anomalous and disadvantageous to all those who service or finance the Italian healthcare sector, by removing resources that could be put to better use for the benefit of the real economy?

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