Instruction and replication material for the article

“Under Pressure: Institutional frictions and issue characteristics as determinants of issue responsiveness in Parliament in times of crisis” published in the Italian Review of Political Science

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The replication material includes two R scripts:

1. ReplicationDescriptiveAnalysis.R
2. ReplicationRegression.R

- Script 1 replicates Table 2 and Figures 1, 2, and 3. It requires three CSV files, from which it loads data: EurobarometerMII.csv, QuestionTime.csv and WrittenQuestions.csv.
- Script 2 replicates Tables 3 and 3, and requires the file DataRegression.csv

To replicate Table 1, there is a CSV file named ScopusItalyCrisis_2005_2022.csv

CODEBOOK DataRegression

The DataRegression.csv dataset consists of 17 variables:

Variable: “cap_macro"

The Macro level topic according to the Comparative Agendas Project Italian Code

Code	Topic
1	Domestic Macroeconomic Issues
2	Civil Rights, Minority Issues, and Civil Liberties
3	Health
5	Labor and Employment
6	Education
7	Environment
8	Energy
9	Immigration and Refugee Issues
10	Transportation
12	Law, Crime, and Family Issues
13	Social Welfare
14	Community Development and Housing Issues
15	Banking, Finance, and Domestic Commerce
16	Defense
17	Space, Science, Technology, and Communications
18	Foreign Trade

19	International Affairs and Foreign Aid
20	Government Operations
21	Public Lands, Water Management, and Territorial Issues
23	Cultural Policy Issues

Variable: “Year"
Time: Calendar year

Variable: “Semester"
Time: First or second semester

Variable: “Date"
Time: YYYY-MM-DD

Variable: “SemesterYear"
Time: the combination of Semester and Year

Variable: “propQT"
The proportion of Questions for Immediate Reply (Question Time) focusing on the relevant top ic

Variable: “propWRITTEN"
The proportion of Questions for Written Reply (Written Questions) focusing on the relevant top ic

Variable: “MII_eco"
The proportion of respondents choosing the economy as one of the two most relevant issues t he country should face (Eurobarometer)

Variable: “MII_unemp"
The proportion of respondents choosing unemployment as one of the two most relevant issue s the country should face (Eurobarometer)

Variable: “MII_Migration"
The proportion of respondents choosing the migration as one of the two most relevant issues t he country should face (Eurobarometer)

Variable: “MII_Health"
The proportion of respondents choosing health as one of the two most relevant issues the cou ntry should face (Eurobarometer)

Variable: “News_eco_k"
Number of articles on economic issues published in ANSA (thousands)

Variable: “News_health_k"
Number of articles on health published in ANSA (thousands)

Variable: “News_mig_k"
Number of articles on migration published in ANSA (thousands)

Variable: “SBCs"
Number of Sea Border Crossings in the Central Mediterranean Route (Source: Frontex)

Variable: “EDI"
Economic Discomfort Index, computed by combining unemployment, GDP growth and intere st rates as explained in the article

Variable: “mortality"
Mortality rate (source: ISTAT)