

**Question for written answer E-008987/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Linking corridor Vc and the Danube-Sava Canal to the Rhine-Danube corridor

The Rhine-Danube corridor is an inland waterway route linking Strasbourg, Frankfurt, Vienna, Bratislava, and Budapest, from where one branch continues towards Romania and a second runs along the Danube between Croatia and Serbia and on to the Black Sea. Transport is vitally important to the European economy, which without good transport links will not be able to grow and develop. Croatia is encompassed within a very small segment of the TEN-T network, but that does not apply to the other six Western Balkan countries.

The fact that those six countries are engaged in an intensive integration process implies a need to alter – that is to say, fill the gaps in – the existing TEN-T network.

In the light of the foregoing:

1. Does the Commission intend to link rail and road corridor Vc to the Rhine-Danube corridor?
2. Does it intend to link the future Danube-Sava Canal to the Rhine-Danube corridor?