

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3927/03  
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to the Commission

Subject:           Modular road trains on European roads

At present it is only Sweden and Finland which are taking advantage of exemptions to use modular road trains up to 25.25 m in length.

Two modular road trains take up less space than three normal lorries, which help reduce the congestion on the European road network. It also means a reduction in the number of drivers and thus in the risk to road safety.

The introduction of modular road trains will also mean lower emissions per tonne of transported goods, with clear benefits to the environment.

What measures does the Commission propose to take to introduce modular road trains into transnational transport throughout the EU – with a view to reducing emissions in the transport sector and congestion on the European road network?

What is the Commission doing to incorporate the environmental dimension into regulations on weight and dimensions?