

**Question for written answer E-007199/2012
to the Commission**

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Subject: EU gas infrastructure projects

1. There are currently several potential gas infrastructure projects competing in the Southern Corridor to supply gas to Europe from Central Asia. As the Nabucco project no longer seems very realistic in the light of the Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP), can the Commission clarify what its position will be in relation to the two competing projects and whether it will continue to use EU resources from the ERP Fund for Nabucco?
2. What is the Commission's position on the South Stream project, which will enter EU territory in Bulgaria and could provide a reliable and secure direct gas supply?