

**Question for written answer E-013249/2013
to the Commission
Rule 117
Vojtěch Mynář (S&D)**

Subject: the Danube-Oder-Elbe water corridor and the Regulation on Community guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network

Whereas on 19 November 2013, Parliament adopted a draft Regulation of the Parliament and of the Council on Community guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (COM(2011)0650/3 – C7-0375/2012 – 2011/0294(COD));

Whereas Annex No 1 to the Regulation sets out a map of the main network and the global network which does not include the project to link up the Danube, Oder and Elbe rivers in several central European Member States;

Whereas Article 54 of the Regulation assumes that the Regulation will not be revised until 2023, which seems to be an excessively long timeframe for important transport projects that support the European objectives of Strategy 2020 and the proposed NAIADES II programme;

Assuming that a feasibility study will be carried out on the Danube-Oder-Elbe water corridor and that the opinions of affected Member States will be submitted;

1. Can the Commission say whether it can take advantage of the possibility provided for in Article 49(3) of adopting a delegated act and, pursuant to point (c), of modifying the infrastructure map to include the project that aims to link three European seas?
2. If not, is there another legislative option that could be taken to modify the transport network in order to bring it into line with what the Member States have now agreed upon?