

**Question for written answer E-001081/2020  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: European transport routes

Moving traffic from the road to railways and waterways is important not only from an economic perspective but also in order to reduce emissions.

The existing infrastructure in Germany is approaching the limits of its capacity, as it cannot be sufficiently extended or rebuilt. However, its geographical location means that the country plays a crucial role in the European context. This is another reason why European-level cooperation is necessary.

1. Does the Commission consider this matter to be a common European problem? If so, how does it plan to alleviate or tackle it?
2. All sections in the countries through which the Rhine-Alpine Rail Freight Corridor (Rotterdam-Genoa) passes have been made future-proof or have been rebuilt, except for the sections in Germany. What action can currently be taken if a Member State – in this case, Germany – fails to comply with European standards with regard to the intra-European rail freight corridor?
3. What action will the Commission take to ensure that such problems or divergences between the Member States do not arise in the future?