

**Question for written answer E-004262/2021  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Accessibility for disabled persons on the Tunes-Lagos railway line

One of the approved projects in the recovery and resilience plan submitted by the Portuguese Government and negotiated with the Commission is the electrification, under COMPETE 2020, of the rail lines between Tunes and Lagos, in the Algarve, Portugal. However, these regional trains are not currently accessible for people of reduced mobility. Given that this is a matter of safeguarding fundamental rights in the Union, and in view of the European strategy for the rights of persons with disabilities, recently endorsed by the European Parliament, we would like to know:

1. Was this issue raised during negotiations with the Portuguese Government on their recovery and resilience plan?
2. In accordance with the European strategy for the rights of persons with disabilities, is funding for railway electrification contingent on accessibility for persons of reduced mobility?