

Question for written answer E-001710/2022
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Speeding up transport projects

Having an efficient and well-developed transport network is essential for the economic performance of Germany and the entire EU as it underpins the high competitiveness of EU companies. For economic growth to continue and gain momentum in the EU, infrastructure projects need to be implemented more quickly, which will only happen if planning and authorisation procedures are simplified and shortened.

1. Will guidelines be drawn up to clarify the provisions of Directive 2011/92/EU on environmental impact assessments?
2. Will the Commission revise the Birds Directive (Directive 2009/147/EC) so that bans on projects are restricted exclusively to cases where a species proven to be endangered is affected?
3. Are the annexes to the Habitats Directive regularly updated on the basis of scientific knowledge?