Question for written answer E-001660/2023 to the Commission

Rule 138

Ana Miranda (Verts/ALE)

Subject: Shortcomings in the plans for the construction of the eastern ring road in Lugo and its

disastrous environmental impact on the Parque do Rato

The Parque do Rato, a park in the Galician town of Lugo, is at risk as a result of the construction of the town's eastern ring road, whose route will seriously damage more than four kilometres of nature trails and native forest of exceptional scenic value in a special protection area in the Terras do Miño Biosphere Reserve.

The Galician Government is relying on an environmental impact statement drawn up in 2003 for the project. The statement cannot possibly be valid for the updated project begun in 2022 because it is out of step with the project specifications, the nature of the protected area, the needs of the city and current legislation.

Given the project's significant shortcomings, the absence of an up-to-date environmental impact assessment and the failure to honour the Green Deal priorities, will the Commission urge the Galician Government to publish a new environmental impact statement and reconsider the project?

Submitted: 24.5.2023