

**Question for written answer E-002223/2023
to the Commission**
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Subject: Stage reached in projects financed through POT 2021-2027

Last year, EUR 9.6 billion was allocated to Romania to develop its major road, rail and sea transport infrastructure over the 2021-2027 period.

The Sibiu-Pitești, Sibiu-Brașov, Ungheni-Iași-Ungheni-Târgu Neamț, Brașov-Bacău, Timișoara-Moravița and Pașcani-Siret motorways; the modernisation of the Craiova-Caransebeș railway; the construction and modernisation of rail infrastructure on the TEN-T network, the procurement of engineering trains and associated equipment to modernise and electrify railways and the modernisation/restoration of railway bridges are just a few of the projects that were to be financed through the Transport Operational Programme (POT).

In terms of rail transport, Romania lags a long way behind the countries of Western Europe. Most trains move at a top speed of 60 km/h.

In view of the foregoing, can the Commission give details of the stage that has been reached in the operations to be financed through POT 2021-2027?

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