

WRITTEN QUESTION P-3278/06  
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Subject: Nabucco and South European pipeline projects

The construction of the Nabucco gas pipeline between Iran and south-east Europe is to commence in 2007. By 2011, it will supply gas for Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria. However, Hungary and Russia are planning to build the South European pipeline, which would be the extension of the 'Blue Stream' pipeline, currently running from Russia to Ankara. These pipelines are planned to be built in immediate proximity to each other. My question is whether realisation of the latter will cause difficulties for the Nabucco project, and to what extent will the European Commission support both projects?