

**Priority question for written answer P-006905/2020
to the Commission**
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Subject: Inclusion of the Ionian coastal corridor in Calabria in the review of the implementation of the TEN-T core network

The core and comprehensive trans-European transport networks (TEN-Ts) are established in Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013.

They are defined out on the basis of a planning methodology with a set of economic, geographical and quantitative criteria for the connection of main road and transport hubs.

Although the main purpose of such networks is to ensure the accessibility and connectivity of all regions of the Union as well as to address bottlenecks and missing links, the entire Ionian coastal corridor in Calabria has been completely excluded from previous planning.

In fact, the ports of Corigliano and Crotone ports, Crotone airport and the major SS 106 Ionica artery are not part of the TEN-T core network.

Given the growing infrastructure gap between Calabria and the rest of the country, and the EU objectives of optimal development of a trans-European network that can ensure the accessibility and connectivity of all the regions of the Union, including its remote and outermost regions, can the Commission state:

1. Whether it might be possible to include the Ionian coastal strip in Calabria in the upcoming revision of the TEN-T core network;
2. Whether, in the context of the interinstitutional negotiations on the CEF for the period 2021-2027, the Ionian coastal strip in Calabria might be included in the Scandinavian-Mediterranean corridor; and
3. What further steps it take to ensure full and fair mobility from and to Calabria?