



## **Green Paper**

### **TEN-T: A policy review**

#### **Towards a trans-European transport network at the service of the common transport policy**

The public consultation on the TEN-T Green Paper has generated a great deal of interest from a broad range of organisations, public authorities and citizens both in EU Member States and areas outside the EU. In total the European Commission has received around 300 contributions which it is currently analysing. The contributions address all or part of the 13 questions asked in the Green Paper, but a considerable number of them go beyond and bring up new issues and ideas. The Commission is very grateful for the active participation which testifies to the great importance of the further development of the Community's transport infrastructure policy for States, regions, infrastructure managers, transport operators, users, NGOs etc.

The outcomes of the contributions to the public consultation will feed into the further TEN-T policy review process, both at the network planning and implementation levels. In the course of the next few years, this process may lead to legislative proposals and proposals for other Community action in this field. It will be linked up with relevant transport policy action within and across the different transport sectors. One of the main legislative proposals foreseen to be prepared as a follow-up to the Green Paper is the revision of the Community Guidelines for the development of a trans-European transport network (publication aimed for the end of 2010). At a later stage, this proposal is expected to be complemented by legislative proposals on Community funding.

The following steps of the TEN-T policy review process are foreseen:

- Mid July 2009: Publication of a summary report on the results of the Green Paper consultation
- October/November 2009: TEN-T Days 2009 conference with more in-depth discussions on the consultation results and first reflections on the approach to be pursued
- First quarter 2010: Communication of the Commission on the approach to future TEN-T policy.

The Commission would like to thank all respondents for their contributions which have greatly enriched the TEN-T policy review process.

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