

**Question for written answer E-003122/2025
to the Commission**
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Subject: Establishment, financing and governance of the India-Middle East Europe Economic Corridor under the global gateway

The India-Middle East Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC), announced at the 2023 G20 summit, presents a major strategic opportunity for the EU to foster Euro-Asian connectivity and, taking into account the instability in the Red Sea, diversify its trade routes. The project is part of the global gateway strategy, under which the EU pledged to raise up to EUR 300 billion by 2027 for sustainable global infrastructure.

As it stands, IMEC is devoid of formalised multilateral governance, a public timetable and dedicated European resources. By contrast, an invest plan worth EUR 10 billion has been drawn up for the Trans-Caspian Corridor (TITR).

Some Member States have applied to host the European IMEC terminal. Of those applications, the port of Trieste stands out for its strategic position, direct access to central Europe and integration in TEN-T rail corridors.

In the light of the above:

1. Is the Commission aware of any assessments of the technical and economic feasibility of the IMEC corridor or operational steps planned with a view to its establishment?
2. How does the Commission intend to ensure that IMEC is strategically integrated into the global gateway, including as regards complementarity with the TITR?
3. Have provisions been made for any dedicated resources or funding instruments and territorial agencies to support the development IMEC infrastructure and assess Member States' applications, including Italy's for the Port of Trieste?

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