

Question for written answer E-004106/2025
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Funding the Monemvasia cable car project through the Recovery and Resilience Facility

According to the Europa Nostra technical report published on 19 September 2025, the cable car project in Monemvasia, Greece, has been included in measure 16735 of the Greek Recovery and Resilience Plan, which aims to ‘harness art as a prescribed therapy to promote social cohesion and activate the “silver economy”’.

The same report notes that this measure is not fully in line with the objectives of the initial project approval decisions and that there is no clear documentation to support the selection of this specific site. The project is being carried out in a protected area (Natura 2000, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and a designated archaeological site), which is included in the Peloponnese Regional Spatial Planning Framework as a proposed candidate for inclusion in the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Can the Commission say:

1. To what extent does it consider the financing of the construction of a cable car in Monemvasia compatible with the content and objectives of measure 16735 of the Greek Recovery and Resilience Plan?
2. Has it examined whether the relevant requirements of Regulation (EU) 2021/241 on the Recovery and Resilience Facility are being met, in particular as regards compliance with EU law on environmental and cultural protection and the ‘do no significant harm’ principle?
3. Will it request additional clarifications or review the financing of the project should failings in the project’s appropriateness or approval process be identified?

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