

Question for written answer E-003641/2026
to the Commission
Rule 144
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Subject: Monitoring and possible repayment of NextGenerationEU funds for Astún-Candanchú gondola

The Astún-Candanchú gondola project is being financed to the tune of EUR 10 million from the EU's Recovery and Resilience Facility. This is in addition to funding from Huesca Provincial Council and the Government of Aragon, bringing the total budget to around EUR 35 million.

Spain's Ministry of Industry and Tourism has allocated, under two separate calls for different years, EUR 10 million in NextGenerationEU sustainability funding for the construction of this new gondola in the Aragonese Pyrenees.

The project failed to meet the obligatory final deadline for implementation of June 2026. Indeed, far from being completed, the work has barely started and, according to the promoters themselves, it will be several years before the gondola is fully operational.

In addition, despite being financed with a view to improving environmental sustainability, the project is the subject of legal proceedings – declared admissible by the Spanish courts – concerning possible environmental impacts and shortcomings. Some of these have a cross-border dimension and would affect a protected natural area in France.

In view of the above:

Does the Commission intend to examine the justification for this funding and, if necessary, demand that it be repaid if the corresponding conditions and objectives are not met?

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