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**Question for written answer E-002824/25
to the Commission
Mihai Tudose (S&D)
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Subject: Interconnectivity funding

The Commission has selected 94 transport projects to which it is allocating EUR 2.8 billion in EU grants under the Connecting Europe Facility. This is an encouraging signal for connectivity, mobility and competitiveness in the EU. I welcome the focus on strategic and solidarity investments, such as the improvement of rail connectivity and border crossing points between Romania and the Republic of Moldova.

So far, 95% of the Connecting Europe Facility budget (EUR 25.8 billion for 2021-2027) has already been allocated to the projects selected.

Given the clear value of investing in interconnectivity, and its strategic nature, how much does the Commission envisage allocating to it in the next Multiannual Financial Framework?

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**Answer given by Mr Serafin on behalf of the European Commission
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The new Connecting Europe Facility, as part of the proposals on 16 July 2025 in relation to the next multiannual Financial Framework, will contribute to finance the completion of the Trans-European Networks and foster the EU's clean transition in energy and transport.

Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine and the need to decouple from Russian fossil fuels have underlined the vital importance of a genuine Energy Union and well-integrated EU infrastructure networks.

The Connecting Europe Facility will give a renewed impulse to these essential investments in Europe's resilience and security, including by supporting projects in the least connected parts of the Union, such as islands and the outermost regions.

It will invest in cross-border interconnectors and grids, cross-border transport connections, offshore networks, renewable energy sources and storage and alternative fuels infrastructure, supporting the Union's climate ambitions.

The Facility will also fund dual-use civilian-military transport projects to enable seamless military mobility throughout the EU, a prerequisite for a stronger and better prepared European Defence Union.

The proposed financial envelope for the implementation of the Connecting Europe Facility for the period 2028- 2034 is set at EUR 81.4 billion in current prices, with EUR 51.5 billion for the specific objectives on transport and military mobility and EUR 29.9 billion for the specific objectives on energy.
