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Answer given by Mr Tzitzikostas
on behalf of the European Commission
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1. Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Transport projects, including 21-EL-TC-KARTOXRAIL ‘Construction of the new single railway line, section Nea Karvali – Toxotes’, granted under the 1st CEF2 call CEF-T-2021-CORECOEN, have been awarded funds in compliance with the EU acquis¹ and, particularly, with the environmental legislation in force. The project was retained for funding based on approved national environmental conditions, which were in force at the time of the selection decision. These environmental conditions are currently under review by the national Council of State (Administrative Supreme Court), following an appeal procedure initiated by a locally established company after the signature of the respective Grant Agreement.
2. The management of the project’s identified risks falls under the responsibility of the beneficiary implementing the project. Any potential update of the risk register of the project, as a result of the revision of the national environmental conditions, will be assessed accordingly by the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA).
3. Based on the decision of the national Council of State, with regard to the national environmental conditions, the Commission will determine its position concerning the co-financing of the project.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2021/1153 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, OJ L 249, 14.7.2021, p. 38, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1153/oj>; Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1. <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1046/oj/eng>.