

Trans-European transport network: development

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The Commission presents a report on the exercise of the power to adopt delegated acts conferred on the Commission pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network and repealing Decision No 661/2010/EU.

Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network and repealing Decision No 661/2010/EU sets out a long-term strategy for the development of a complete trans-European transport network (TEN-T), consisting of infrastructure for railways, maritime and air transport, roads, inland waterways and rail-road terminals.

Article 49(4) of Regulation - Adaptations of the list and the maps based on statistical data

Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 contains maps of the comprehensive and core networks which define the scope of Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 and identify projects of common interest.

Annex II to this Regulation establishes the list of nodes of the core and comprehensive network. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts which will adapt the maps and lists annexed to the Regulation as regards the quantitative thresholds which are necessary to be met by sea and inland ports, airports and rail-road terminals to be part of the TEN-T. The Commission adopted on 7 December 2016 the Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2017/849.

The Commission may also adjust the maps for road, railway and inland waterway infrastructure in a strictly limited way so as to reflect progress in completing the network.

Article 49(6) of the Regulation - Adaptations of the indicative maps of the neighbouring countries

Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 contains indicative maps of certain neighbouring countries. The Regulation provides for the possibility to adopt delegated acts to adapt those maps or to include maps of further neighbouring countries, based on high-level agreements on transport infrastructure networks between the Union and the neighbouring countries concerned.

The Commission used this delegation in the following instances:

- the Commission adopted on 17 January 2014, the Delegated Regulation No 473/2014. This regulation concerns the lines of the railway and road network, as well as the ports, airports and rail-road terminals on the comprehensive network in the following third countries: Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan and Russia;
- the Commission adopted on 4 February 2016, the Delegated Regulation No 2016/758. This regulation concerns the identification of the core network connections on the comprehensive network maps of the railway and road networks, as well as ports and airports in the following third countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, the Republic of North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia;

- the Commission adopted on 9 November 2018, the Delegated Regulation No 2019/254. This regulation concerns the revision of the indicative extension of the comprehensive TEN-T maps, as well as the identification of the core network connections on the comprehensive network maps in the following third countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine.

Prior to the adoption of all the delegated acts referred to above, the Commission consulted experts from the Member States and the representatives of the European Parliament.

Lastly, the Commission invites the European Parliament and the Council to take note of this Report. In the future, the Commission plans to use its delegated powers for the further adaptations of the Annexes I, II and III to Regulation (EU) 1315/2013.