Trans-European energy networks: guidelines

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In adopting the report by Mr Gordon Adam, the European Parliament approved the Commission proposal. In its amendments, the EP: - stressed that the development of energy networks should help to reduce the cost of energy supply and promote growth, competitiveness and employment; - highlighted that the interconnection of electricity and natural gas networks with third countries should take place in accordance with the European Energy Charter Treaty; - requested that the Commission be assisted by an advisory committee composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission, and called on the Commission to take the utmost account of the opinion delivered by the committee and any observations of the EP; - called for the EP to be consulted on any revision of the priority projects listed in the annex. With regard to the projects, the EP: - added "Baltic ring": Germany, Poland, Russia (Kaliningrad enclave), Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Sweden and Finland; - added "Italian peninsula" to the Corsican and Sardinian projects; - added Finland and the Baltic countries to the projects concerning Norway, Denmark and Sweden (joint Nordic/Baltic gas grid)