



European Commission



**Extension of the major TEN-T
axes to the neighbouring
countries**

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Policy development process

- 1993 TEN policy into the EU Treaty
- 1996 TEN Guidelines for EU15
- 1990's Pan-European Corridors and Ares
Regional network development
- 2001 Revision of the TEN Guidelines to include
ports and intermodal terminals
- 2004 Major revision of the TEN Guidelines and the
Financial Regulation in view of EU27
- **2006** **Communication on the extension of the
major TENs axes to the neighbouring
countries (December 2006)**
- *2010* *Revision of the TEN Guidelines?*

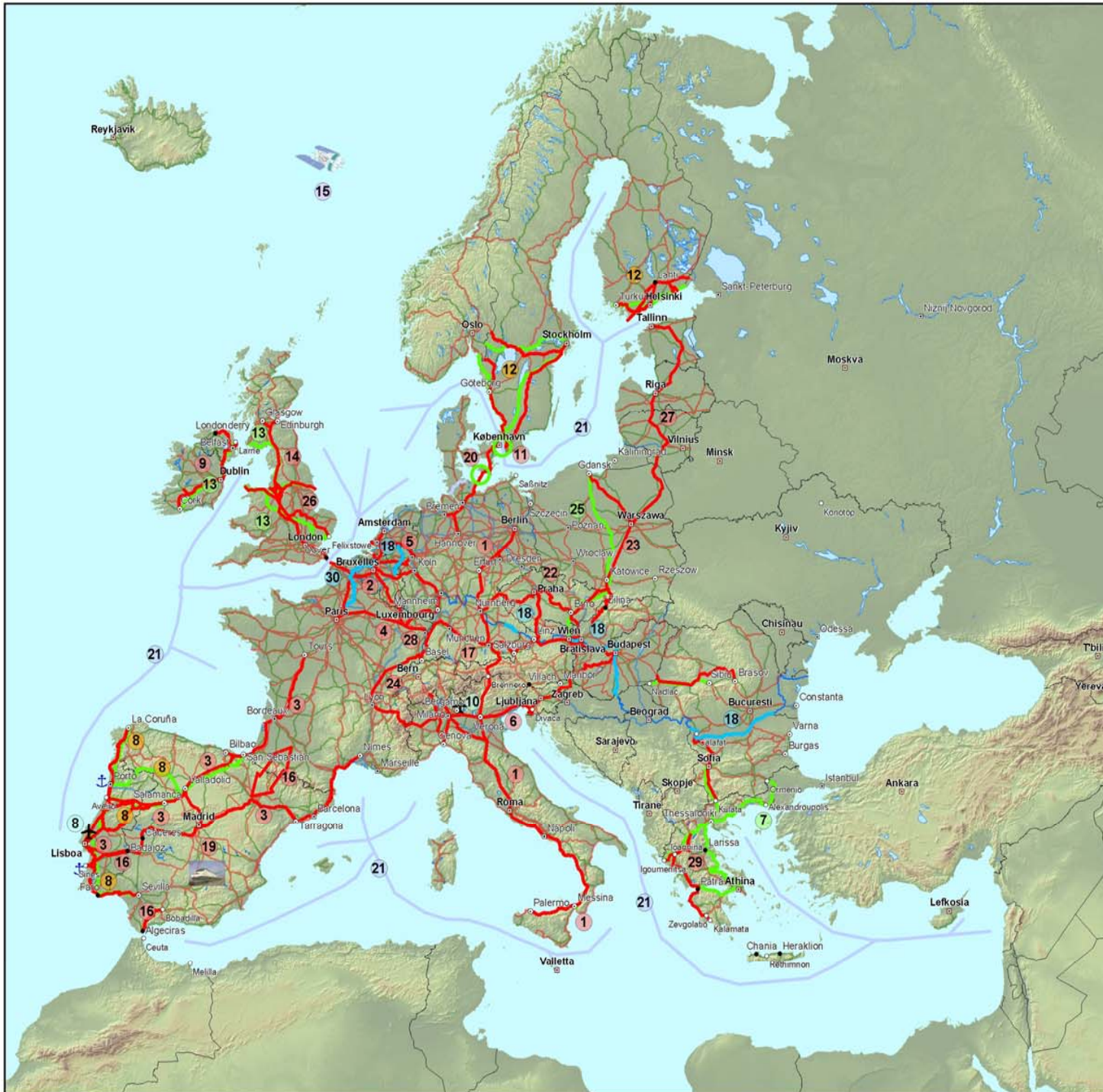




Extent of the TEN Network

- TEN-T network (EU25, existing and planned) consists approximately of
 - ◆ 90 000 km of roads,
 - ◆ 100 000 km of rail tracks,
 - ◆ 12 000 km of inland waterways,
 - ◆ 400 airports,
 - ◆ 400 international sea ports,
 - ◆ 300 inland ports and
 - ◆ traffic management systems.





Trans-European Transport Network and TEN-T priority projects

(Ref.: Decision 884/2004/CE)

TEN-T priority projects

- Road
- Railway
- Inland waterway
- Motorway of the sea
- Airport projects
- Port projects

TEN-T network

- TEN-T Road
- TEN-T Railway
- TEN-T Inland waterway

Project section numbers

- Railway project
- Road project
- Multimodal project
- Inland waterway project
- Motorway of the sea
- Airport
- Galileo





TENs and the neighbouring countries - process

- Context: Accession Framework and the European Neighbourhood Policy
- Aim: Avoid dividing lines in Europe
- Tool: Connect the major TEN axes of the enlarged EU with those of the neighbouring countries
- Methodology: High Level Group chaired by Ms de Palacio and including the EU27, 26 neighbouring countries and 3 banks





TENs and the neighbouring countries - process

- Working method:
 - ◆ The Group met app. once per month from November 2004 until November 2005
 - ◆ Five regional subgroups to discuss technical matters
- Report: The Group submitted its recommendations to Vice President Barrot in December 2005
- Public consultation open until March 2006





The Group's recommendations

- **5 major transnational axes to focus cooperation and financing**
- **Infrastructure projects to address physical bottlenecks**
- **More than 20 horizontal measures to tackle non-physical barriers**



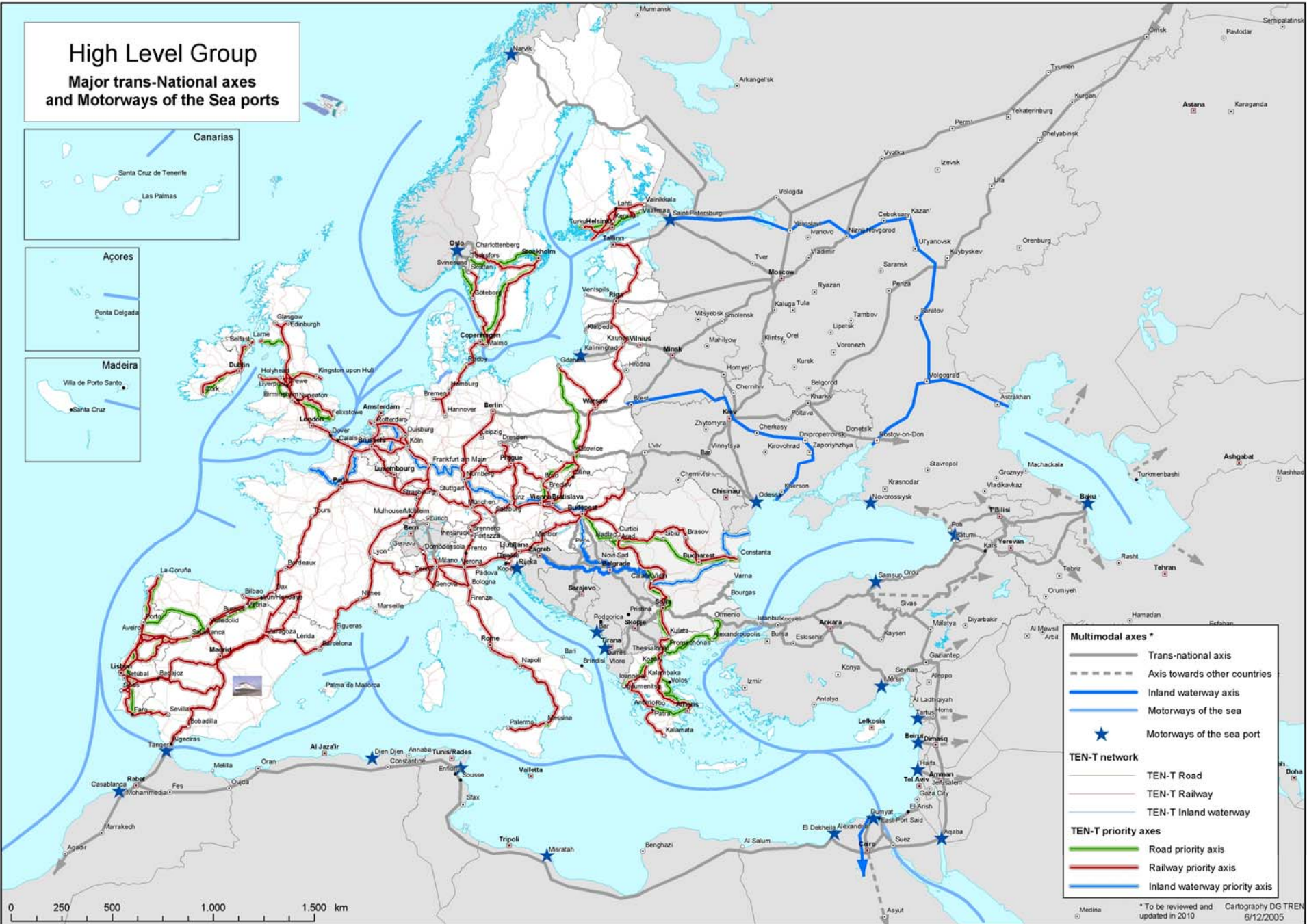


The 5 axes

- Motorways of the Seas
 - Northern axis
 - Central axis
 - South Eastern axis
 - South Western axis
- ***The axes are proposed to be endorsed by the Commission***



High Level Group Major trans-National axes and Motorways of the Sea ports



Multimodal axes*

- Trans-national axis
- - - Axis towards other countries
- Inland waterway axis
- Motorways of the sea
- ★ Motorways of the sea port

TEN-T network

- TEN-T Road
- TEN-T Railway
- TEN-T Inland waterway

TEN-T priority axis

- Road priority axis
- Railway priority axis
- Inland waterway priority axis

* To be reviewed and updated in 2010 Cartography DG TREN 6/12/2005



Infrastructure projects

The Group classified projects proposed by the countries into 2 lists and recognised the need for further studies:

- List 1 – Projects of short to medium term interest
(completion by 2020, 62 projects, 35 bn €)
 - List 2 – Projects of longer term interest
(completion beyond 2020, 16 projects, 10 bn €)
- ***It is proposed to consider the project lists as indicative and to underlined the importance of developing master plans for the axes.***





Horizontal measures

In total more than 20 measures were put forward:

- Speeding up **border crossing procedures**
 - Simplification and harmonisation of **trade and transport related documentation**
 - Implementation of compatible **new technologies**
 - Measures to improve **safety and security** in all transport modes
 - Technical and administrative **interoperability**
- ***It is proposed to endorse the horizontal measures as the basis for cooperation in view of making transport along the axes more rapid and effective.***





Financing and PPPs

The Group noted that private capital can usefully complement public financing through public-private partnerships

- ◆ However, the role of **public budgets** remains crucial
- ◆ Clear and transparent **public procurement legislation** prerequisite for successful PPP schemes

- ***It is proposed to***
 - ***Strengthen EU-IFI cooperation further***
 - ***Extend the concept of the Western Balkans Infrastructure Steering Group to other regions***
 - ***Put in place Neighbourhood Investment Facility***





Need to strengthen coordination – the process of implementation

- ***It is considered that a strong binding coordination framework is essential***
- A stepwise approach is proposed
 - ◆ Exploratory talks would be launched with all the neighbouring countries
 - ◆ Concrete proposal(s) to implement the policy and coordination framework
- Questions to be addressed in the exploratory talks
 - ◆ Type of agreement (MoU, Treaty)
 - ◆ Decision making and technical support structures
 - ◆ Geographical coverage; link to regional network exercises
 - ◆ Measures to be included (infrastructure, horizontal, other acquis)





Further information

- DG Energy and Transport
http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/energy_transport/index_en.html
- Trans-European Transport Networks
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Thank you for your attention!

