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## **Rethink EU transport infrastructure**

### **Stop unsustainable XXL projects and focus on European added-value**

#### **WHAT ARE THE TEN-T?**

The Trans-European Transport Networks (TEN-T) are a project of the European Union to co-fund the establishment of a transport infrastructure connecting all EU Member States. Ever since its first conception however, a contradiction exists between the number and size of projects and the available financing. The existing network is a patchwork – it has gaps – and they are exactly where the borders are.

On the one hand, the financial and economic crisis worsens this situation, but on the other it offers a unique opportunity to create a more sustainable transport infrastructure that saves money, for example by minimizing external social and environmental costs. More transparency and participation of the citizens are needed to act smart and concentrate on networking, supporting smaller projects and improving existing trans-border rail links.

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