



European transport policy on inland waterway transport

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Five reasons...

why transport by inland waterways is important for the EU

- Performance
- Climate friendliness
- Free capacities
- Safety and reliability
- Cost efficiency

Key objectives

- **Shift more freight to inland waterways – White Paper**
- **Inland waterways transport to become a quality mode of transport in all its dimensions**

Five key challenges...

to be addressed by the sector

- **Overcome market weaknesses**
- **Innovate**
- **Reduce emissions**
- **Integrate into the logistic chain**
- **Create attractive jobs & skills perspectives**

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„Towards quality inland waterway transport “

Six key intervention areas

- **Quality infrastructure**
- **Smooth functioning of the market**
- **Innovation**
- **Skilled workforce and quality jobs**
- **Environmental quality through low emissions**
- **Integration of inland waterway transport into the multimodal transport chain**

Five EU funding instruments...

- **Connecting Europe Facility**
- **Horizon 2020**
- **European Structural and Investment funds (Cohesion policy)**
- **Reserve funds**
- **Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (COSME)**

...allowing to finance five areas of intervention

- **Infrastructure**
- **Research, development and Innovation – including deployment**
- **Market development (Cooperation, promotion, etc)**
- **Greening**
- **Entrepreneurship and skills**

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