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Policy Objective 3 - A More Connected Europe by Enhancing Mobility and Regional ICT Connectivity

TRANSPORT

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Land Transport

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Current Situation:

- Reliance on road transport and the use of private vehicles
- High rate of emissions
- Long journey time due to traffic congestion

Development Needs:

Enhanced internal transport network infrastructure to:

- Current population density and population growth expected over the next years
- Decarbonise transport and move towards cleaner fuels
- Develop climate resilient, secure and intelligent road networks to facilitate traffic flows
- Improving access to TEN-T, and investing in TEN-T core and comprehensive networks
- Explore intra multi-modal sustainable transport measures

Internal Marine Transport

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Current Situation:

- Limited use of ferry transportation services (inter-island and cross harbour)
- Limited infrastructure in cross harbour facilities
- Seasonality / weather challenges
- Serious topographical constraints

Development Needs:

Exploring possibilities for additional internal maritime provisions such as:

- Enhancing intra multi-modal sustainable transport measures to reduce car use and emissions, including through port infrastructure
- Explore the possibility of additional transport routes

External Transportation

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Current Situation:

- Dependence on international gateways (airport & TEN-T ports: Valletta and Marsaxlokk)
- Increase in passenger and cargo handling at Airport
- High volumes of imports and exports

Development Needs:

Exploring possibilities to facilitate external transport provisions such as:

- Infrastructure enabling port flexibility to cater for increasing needs
- Improve connections and accessibility to and from the airport

Environmental impacts

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Current Situation:

- Road transport is a major air polluter, adversely affecting public health and the environment
- Marine transport is also a major polluter to the marine environment

Development Needs:

- Decarbonise transport and move towards cleaner fuels
- Improve transport networks to reduce congestion and facilitate flows
- Encourage collective transport usage, including through campaigns

Thank you for your attention.

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