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## Sines/Elvas railway connection: Évora-Caia Section – 2nd Phase

2016-PT-TMC-0059-M

**Programme:**

CEF Transport

**Transport corridor:**

Atlantic

**Transport mode:**

Rail

**Call year:**

2016

**Location of the Action:**

Portugal

**Implementation schedule:**

July 2017 to December 2023

**Maximum EU contribution:**

EUR 55,839,020

**Total eligible costs:**

EUR 73,059,035

**Percentage of EU support:**

76%

**Coordinator:**

Ministério das Infraestruturas e da Habitação  
(Portugal)

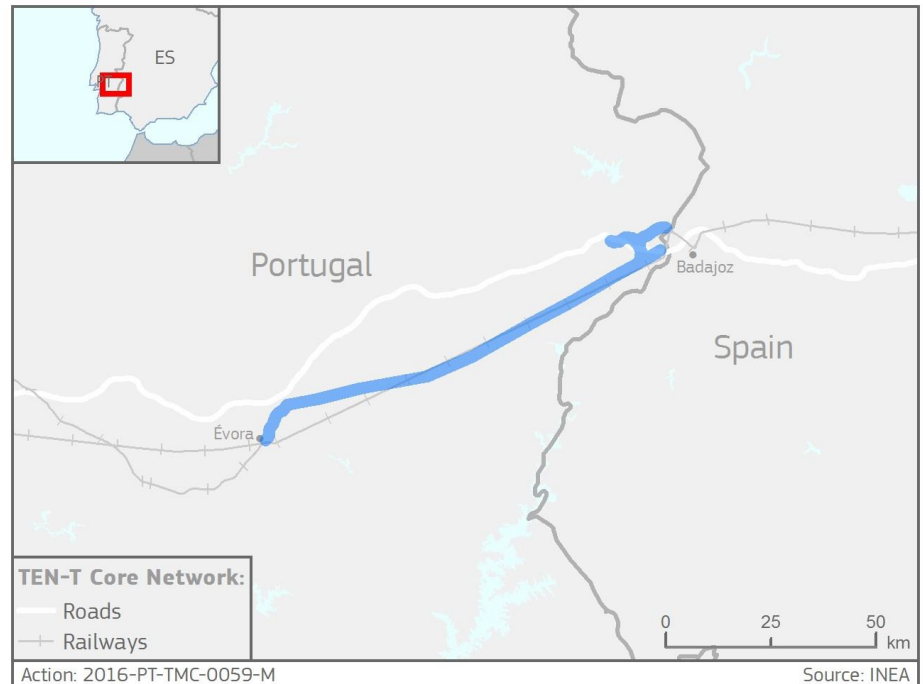
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**Status:**

Ongoing

**Last modified:**

March 2023



The Évora-Elvas/Caia (border with Spain) cross-border section belongs to the Atlantic Corridor as part of the rail freight axis Sines-Elvas-Madrid-Paris and is a missing link in the high speed Lisbon-Madrid connection. The Action includes works for the construction of approximately 84 km of rail superstructure along the mixed traffic (passengers and freight) railway link between Évora Norte and Elvas/Caia. It also covers the design and construction of an electric power substation which will enable the electrification of the entire line.

The new interoperable line will allow the movement of 740 metre freight trains and will be equipped for high speed (equal or greater than 250 km/h). The final result on the section covered by the Action will be approximately 84 km of a single electrified rail line with polyvalent sleepers that will allow future migration to UIC gauge. The Action is part of a Global Project that aims to develop a high-capacity freight and passenger railway axis linking Portugal with Spain and the centre of Europe. It will promote modal split, increase the competitiveness of the port of Sines and serve several logistic platforms.



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**Beneficiaries:**

**Name:**

Ministério das Infraestruturas e da Habitação

**Country:**

Portugal