

## Fehmarnbelt project Construction Act passed by Danish Parliament

**The upcoming link between Denmark and Germany across the Fehmarnbelt has today reached another important milestone with the adoption of the project's Construction Act in Denmark.**

The bill on the construction and operation of a fixed link across the Fehmarnbelt with associated landworks has today been passed by the Danish Parliament with strong political backing.

*“Parliament’s adoption of the Construction Act for the Fehmarnbelt project is without doubt one of the greatest and most important milestones for the project. I am, as Transport Minister, enormously proud and pleased that we’ve reached this milestone today. The Fehmarnbelt link is an historic project without parallel that will create growth, development and many, many jobs,” said the Minister of Transport, Magnus Heunicke.*

The Fehmarnbelt link is a great benefit to society, and it will provide new opportunities for both business and the public. The link will create a direct corridor to our major trading partner and bring Scandinavia closer to the rest of Europe.

In the autumn, the political parties behind the fixed link will have to decide on the start of construction work following clarification of the project's overall economics. This includes an updated construction budget based on final construction costs, clarification of the level of EU funding for the project and the status of the German plan approval.

*“With the adoption of the Construction Act, the project has received Danish environmental approval, which is a big step. This is a highly complex project, however, and we’re not there yet. We cannot commence construction until we have clarification of the project's overall economy and the status of the German approval of the project in the autumn. This is the most responsible approach to dealing with such a huge project,” says Magnus Heunicke.*