

Assarmatori asks the EU a change for route in matter for shipping

The prompt shipowning association the nomination of an Italian in the role of European commissioner to the Transports

inforMARE - According to Assarmatori, the action of the EU in matter of shipping under the guide of the outgoing EU commission has been almost nonexistent. In the course of the assembly anniversary of the Italian shipowning association, in development today to Rome, the president of Assarmatori, Stefano Messina, have denounced that the EU commission, except rarest occasions, never has not taken care in rational way of politics of the sea and this even though, for Countries as Italy, on the ships and through the ports transits more of 80% of the commercial interchange.

For Assarmatori, this furtiveness has had dramatic consequences that have emphasized in evident way the distortions of treatment in favor of the Countries of the Europe North, marine nations that second the Italian association benefit of excessive destined European financings to the companies that connect ports of the Sea of the North and the Baltic Sea "with the motivation - Assarmatori - that they join, also with minimal distances has recriminated, ports of various communitarian Countries, but it does not recognize analogous treatment to Italy, neither for national the marine connections along a peninsula that is commercially very more strategic, neither on those with Mediterranean Countries extra EU, in it confronts of which would be today more than ever indispensable cohesion politics".

Therefore the new EU commission the Italian association asks a change for route, beginning from the nomination of an Italian for the role of European commissioner to the Transports.

For Assarmatori, one of the opportunities to find a balance between the North and the South of Europe is constituted by the New Via of the Silk launch from China, with a previewed total investment of 8.000 billion dollars, initiative that for the shipowning association represents an only opportunity in order to move towards South the axis of the exchanges in Europe, throwing again the Italian ports. To such Stefano Messina purpose it has found that Italy has the duty to impose a "Italian Way" to this project and - has specified - this means that the ports go dredged, connected to a modern net railway that you transport containers of last generation, and the investments in infrastructures go quickly unblocked.

"China - it has specified Messina - is an opportunity, but I would want to remember to our Chinese friends whom here in Europe vigono the rules of the market economy. He is the national government who the European institutions exercise therefore their prerogatives in order protect the already active operators in this market from those initiatives that beginning from do not respect the rules that very we know, those which prohibit the aids of State that is prejudice the interests of the Country in the exercise of own strategic infrastructures".

"There is need - it has specified the president of Assarmatori - than the government traces a efficient one and harmonized "Via Italian" to the Way of the Silk. From that table, in the tightest times, indications of priority will have to exit on functional infrastructures, on the times of their realization, but also on the commercial and fiscal policies that Italy intends to adopt". (41)