

Rail Hub Cities for South East Europe



Objectives

The RAIL4SEE activities are oriented to the long term sustainability of the project results from a political, financial and operational point of view, as the project directly involves the core decision makers in rail and public transport in SEE, that is to say policy makers and transport operators. In this sense the main visible outcomes are policy & investments improvements, pilot actions on integrated ticketing & information systems for transport users, the set up of regional & transnational cooperation platforms and improved rail services in SEE.



Rail hub cities: the present crucial elements of transport interconnectivity in South East Europe

South East Europe cities are the "first/last legs" of transnational transport chains. These chains consist of local, regional and transnational transport systems. On the one hand South East Europe (SEE) faces the need for transnational rail connections between rail hubs, especially on TEN-T networks and along the main intercity lines. On the other hand rail and in general public transport bound feeder lines need for upgrade, strengthening and better organisation.

That calls for a multimodal integration of local/city transport networks, regional transport systems and transnational transport axes. City rail hubs and Regions have a role to integrate these different transport levels as means for an improved transport interconnectivity in SEE.

Rail hub cities and TEN-T network

In order to enhance rail transport by improving the feeding functions on rail of 11 major hub cities and their respective regions 28 partners from 10 countries cooperate in the RAIL4SEE project.

In this project partners call for complementary interventions facing the alleviation of barriers for rail hubs integration in the local, regional, transnational and TEN-T systems, transport services projecting & harmonisation, governance improvement.

The challenge is the development of models, concepts, measures, harmonised strategies and policy actions targeted to the improvement of rail and intermodal transport in SEE.

Methodology

The RAIL4SEE activities are grounded in the building of joint concepts for rail hubs integration based on experiences exchange, good practice analysis, training and peer review workshops.

Furthermore deep analyses & sound transport planning exercises will be used in order to identify existing bottlenecks and formulate options for infrastructural interventions or public transport services improvements.

These expected results may come out of several rounds of public and technical consultations which aim at building the consensus among key decision makers, stakeholders on future investments and public policies in rail / intermodal and public transport.

During subsequent progress of the RAIL4SEE project may be jointly specified priorities of intervention and defined

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Visit the RAIL4SEE website to read about information about the project and its results, find out more about the partner cities, their starting points and the contents of the project!



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Partnerships

11 rail hub cities are included in RAIL4SEE and represented each time by at least one project partner.

- Province of Bologna (IT)
- Institute for Transport and Logistics Foundation (IT)
- Central European Initiative – Executive Secretariat (IT)
- AustriaTech – Federal Agency for Technological Measures Ltd. (AT)
- Railway Infrastructure Services Company (SCHIG mbh) (AT)
- Railway Company Slovakia, joint stock company (SK)
- Ministry of Transport, Construction and Regional Development SR (SK)
- City of Bratislava (SK)
- KTI Institute for Transport Sciences Non Profit Ltd. (HU)
- TRAINOSE S.A. (GR)
- Municipality of Thessaloniki (GR)
- Center for Research & Technology Hellas, Hellenic Institute of Transport (GR)
- Sofia Municipality (BG)
- Regional Development Agency of Ljubljana Urban Region (SI)
- Ministry of Transport, Republic of Slovenia (SI)
- BDZ Passenger Transport EOOD (BG)
- Surface Public Transport Operator from Bucharest (RO)
- HŽ Passenger Transport (HR)
- Emilia-Romagna Region (IT)
- City of Bologna (IT)
- Veneto Region – Logistics Unit (IT)
- Friuli-Venezia Giulia Autonomous Region (IT)
- Federal Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology (AT)
- Association of Towns and Communities of Slovakia (SK)
- BKK Centre for Budapest Transport Privately Held Corporation (HU)
- Pro-rail Alliance (HR)
- JSC Serbian Railways (RS)
- Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (HR)

Target groups

- Municipalities
- Regional authorities
- Ministries of Infrastructure & Transport
- Rail operators
- Infrastructure managers
- Local public transport companies
- Transport nodes authorities
- Citizens of the RAIL4SEE regions /agglomeration
- Regional association for integrated public transport
- Extended partners (complement the financing partners and associated institutions by involving further policy makers, investors and transport operators)

