

EU PROJECTS AS A POWERFUL TOOL TO TEST INNOVATIVE CROSS-BORDER PASSENGER RAIL SERVICES

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Cross-border PT passenger train service Villa Opicina - Rijeka

Launch event – 24/04/2024

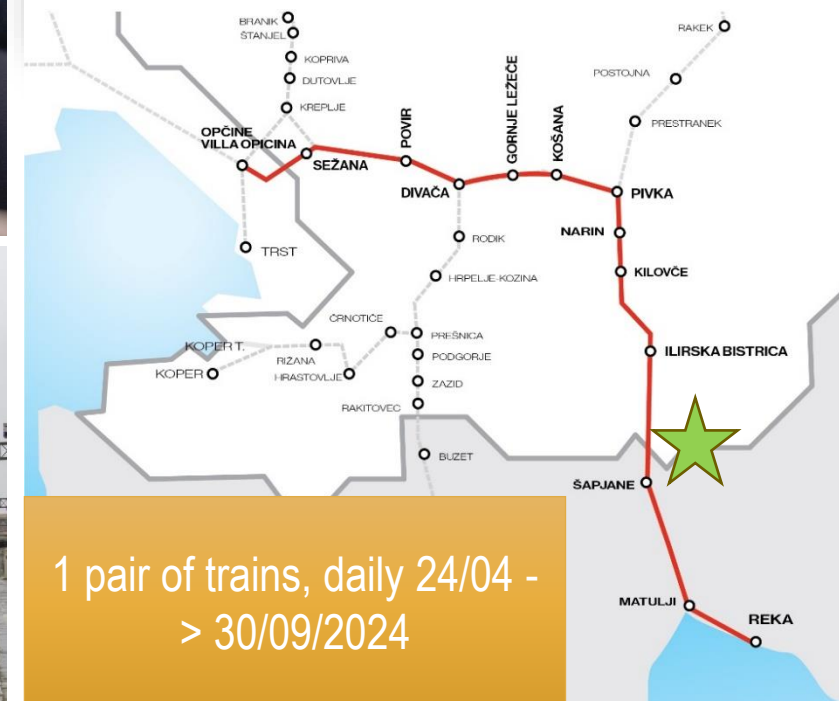


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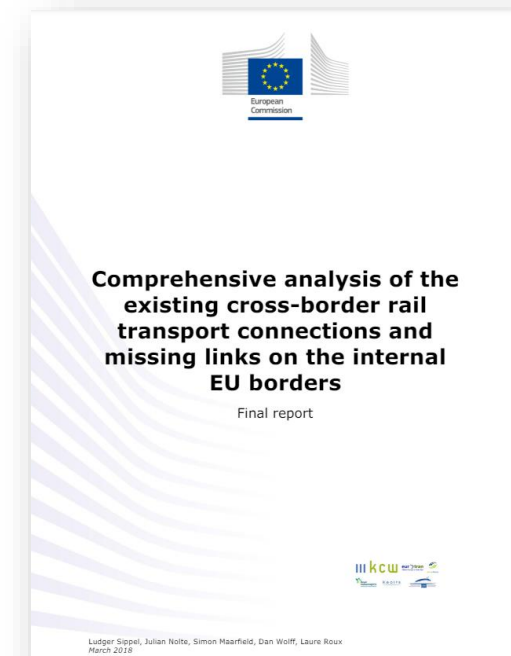
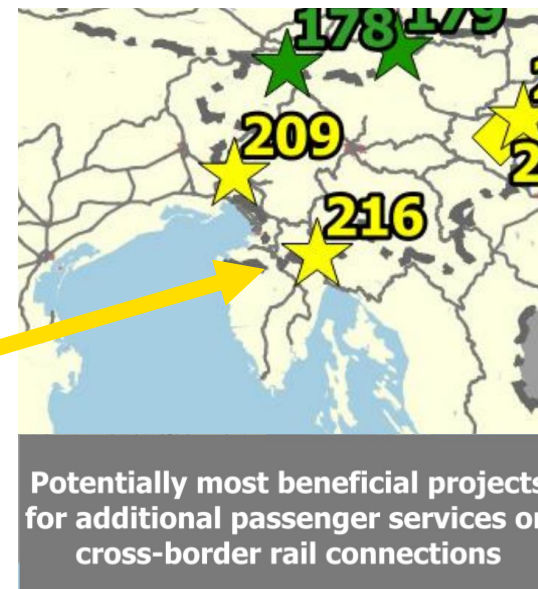
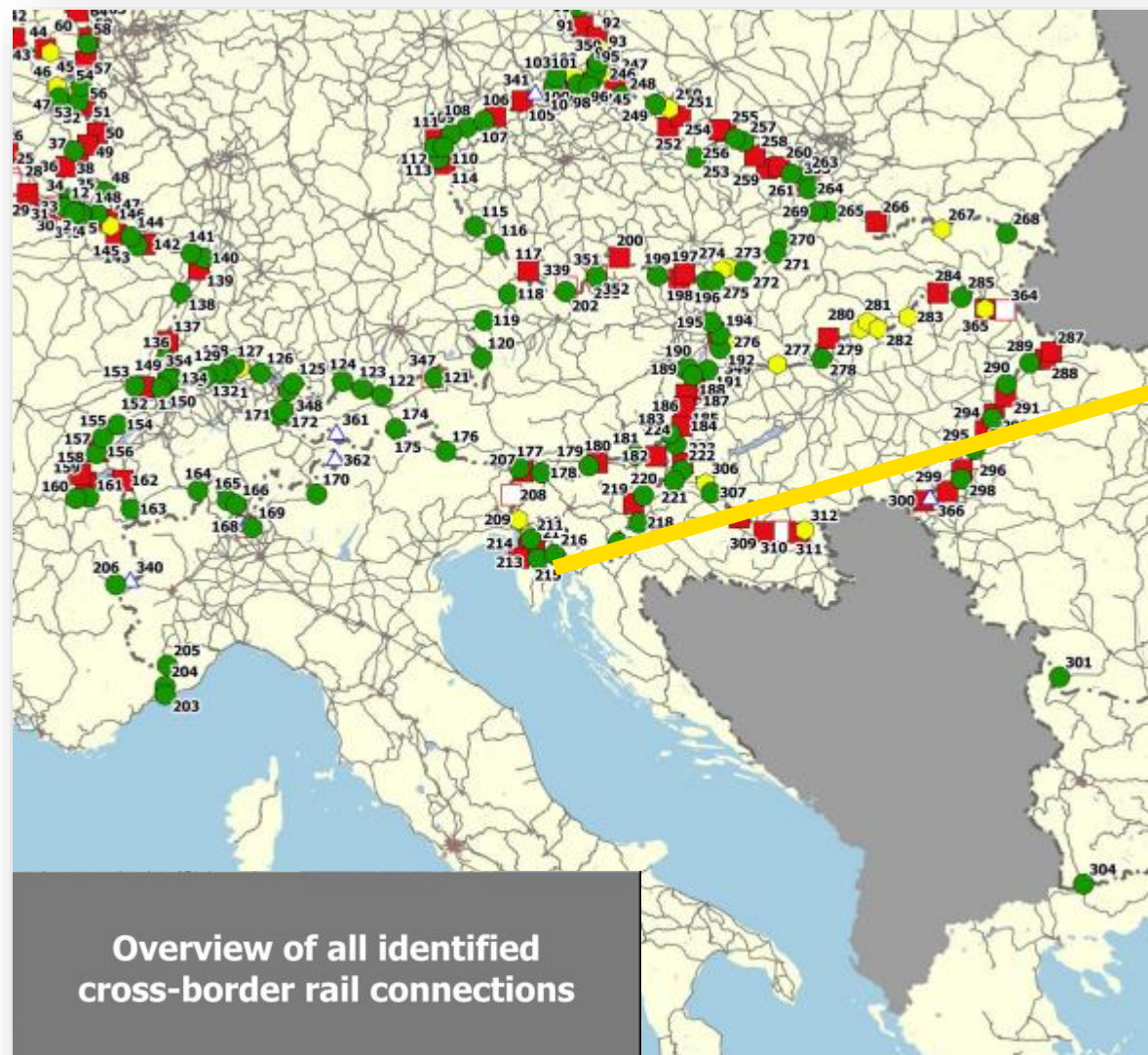


1 pair of trains, daily 24/04 -
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MISSING RAIL SERVICES/LINKS AT CB LEVEL

EC Study on missing rail links (2018)



Analysis of 365 cross-border rail connections in the EU

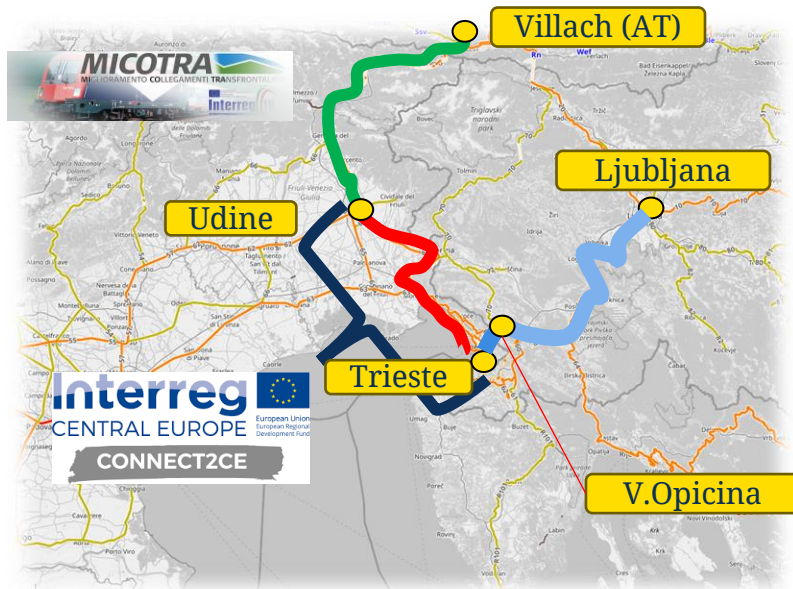
Out of which...

149 non operational

33 Promising links (within the TEN-T Core/Comprehensive Network)

EU FUNDED PROJECTS AND CROSS-BORDER RAIL SERVICES

SOME ACHIEVEMENTS



EXPERIMENTAL EXTENSION TO
TRIESTE OF THE PT CB RAIL
SERVICE VILLACH-UDINE

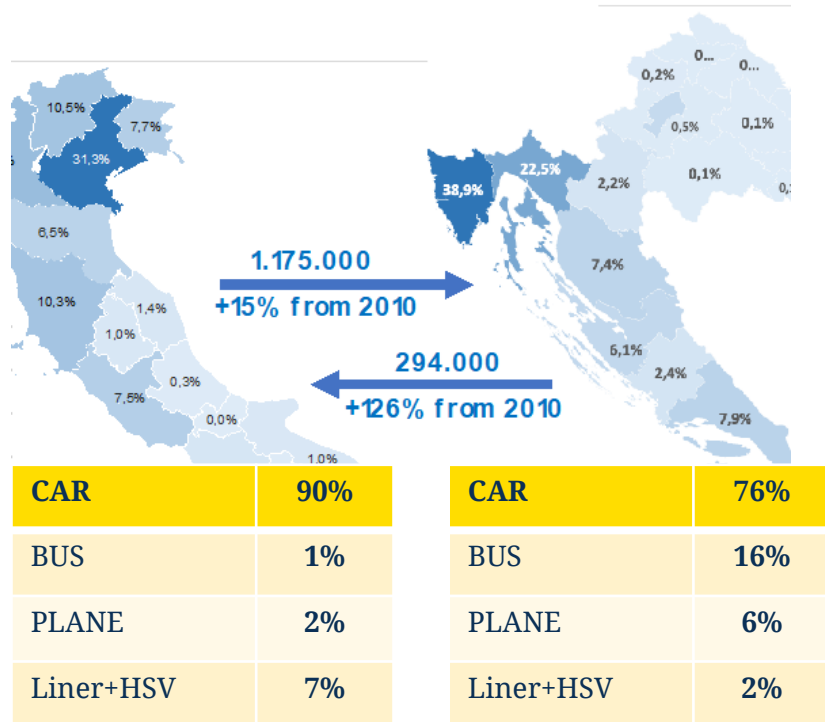


COMBINED CB IT-SI SINGLE TICKET
(URBAN BUS+TRAIN) LINKING
TRIESTE CITY CENTER WITH
LJUBLJANA



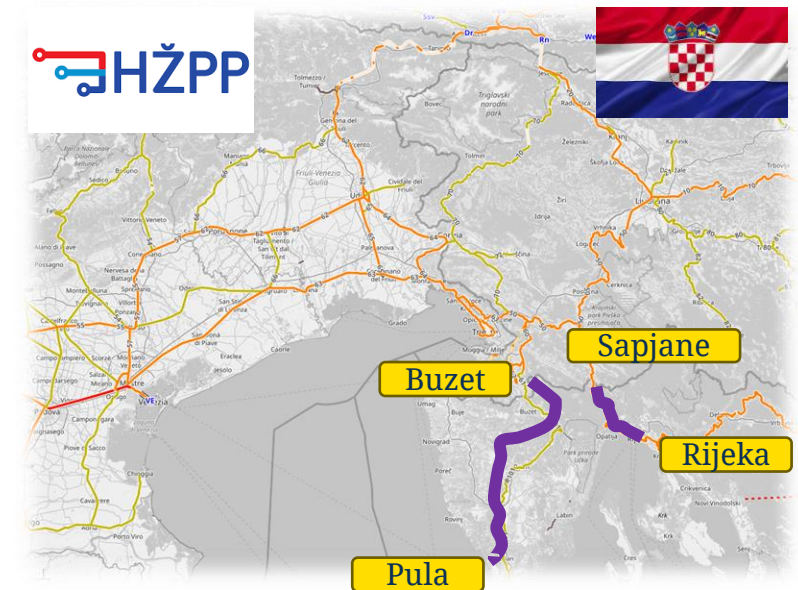
MOU SZPP / HZPP FOR THE
IMPROVEMENT OF CB PASSENGER
RAIL SERVICES

SOME ACHIEVEMENTS



*“It is fair to assume that the most efficient and effective long-term solution in reducing car use would be the **train**.”*

A possible railway line connecting North-Eastern Italy with Istria and Primorje-Gorski Kotar would certainly be able to change not only the tourist flows but also the permeability of the borders between the two countries, creating the conditions for a significant increase of excursionists in both directions, as well as for the reduction of travellers by car.”



PASSENGER TRANSPORT DEMAND
ANALYSIS IT-HR

Lack of CB direct train connections
between N-E Italy and Primorje-Gorski
Kotar County (HR)

MARKET POTENTIAL ANALYSIS OF
TWO RAILWAYS LINES

2021 – THE YEAR OF RAIL AND FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES

YEAR OF RAIL

EU ACTION PLAN TO BOOST CB AND
INTERNATIONAL RAIL SERVICES

DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE NEW EXPERIMENTAL TRAIN SERVICE
TRIESTE – RIJEKA WITH SZPP – HZPP – TRENITALIA – SLOVENIAN
MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURES

PROJECT PROPOSAL WITHIN THE FIRST CALL OF THE INTERREG CE
PROGRAMME

POTENTIAL TRANSPORT DEMAND ANALYSIS FOR A DIRECT RAIL
SERVICE (funded by FVG REGION)


PT ACCESSIBILITY ASSESSMENT OF THE ROUTE TRIESTE RIJEKA (funded
by SUSTANCE)

PILOT ACTION LAUNCH (funded by SUSTANCE)



THE ROADMAP

1. TRANSPORT DEMAND ANALYSIS
2. INFRASTRUCTURAL AND INTEROPERABILITY ISSUES
3. PUBLIC TRANSPORT ACCESSIBILITY ASSESSMENT (AS IS / TO BE)
4. DISCUSSION WITH OPERATORS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITIES
5. BUDGETING THE EXPERIMENTAL TRAIN SERVICE /FUNDING
6. AGREEMENTS ON TARIFFS, TIMETABLES, TICKETING, ...
7. EXPERIMENTAL PHASE (EU FUNDED PILOT ACTIONS)
8. PILOT ACTION RESULTS AND ASSESSMENT W/STAKEHOLDERS
9. LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY PLANS
10. (POSSIBLE) INTEGRATION OF THE TRAIN SERVICE IN THE REGULAR TIMETABLE

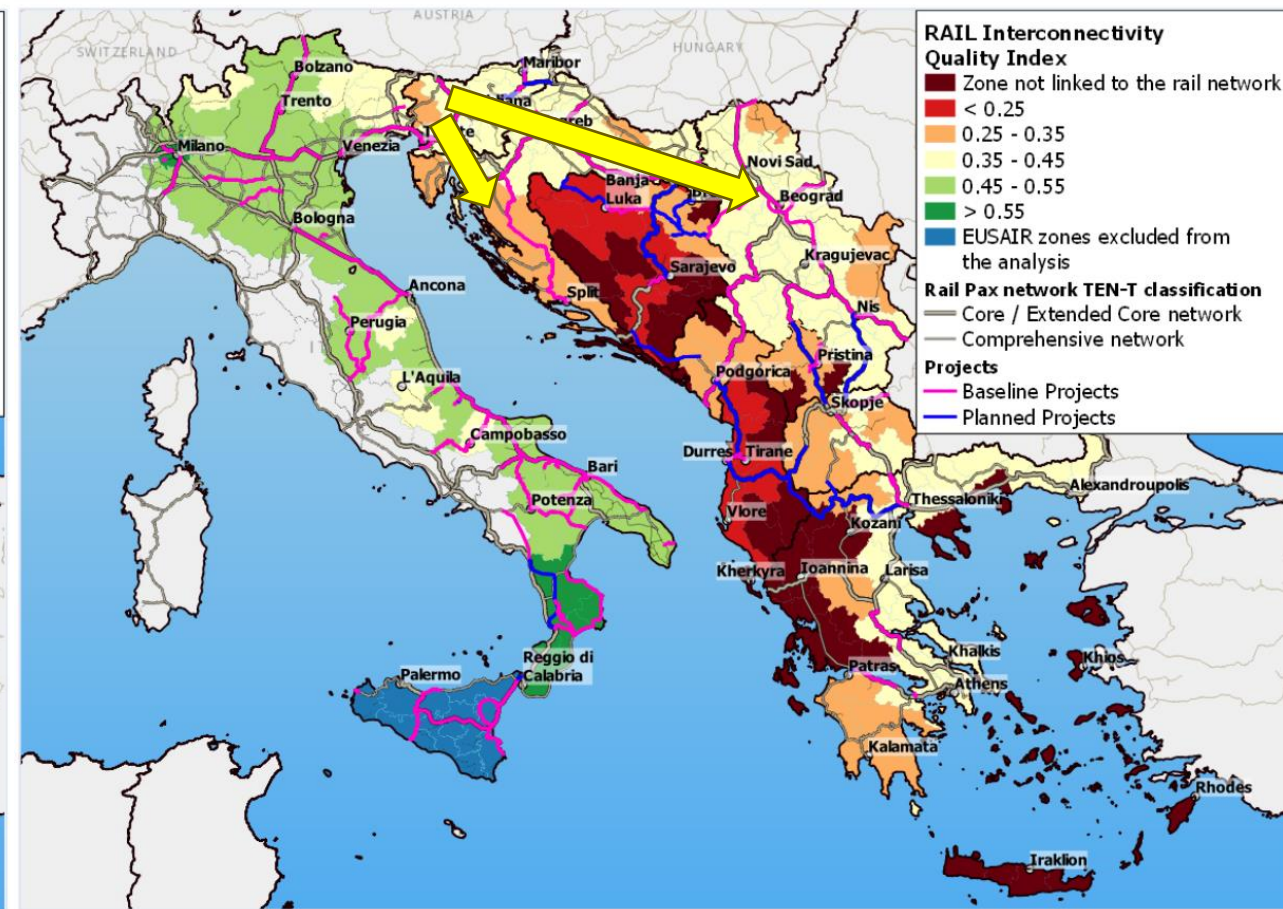
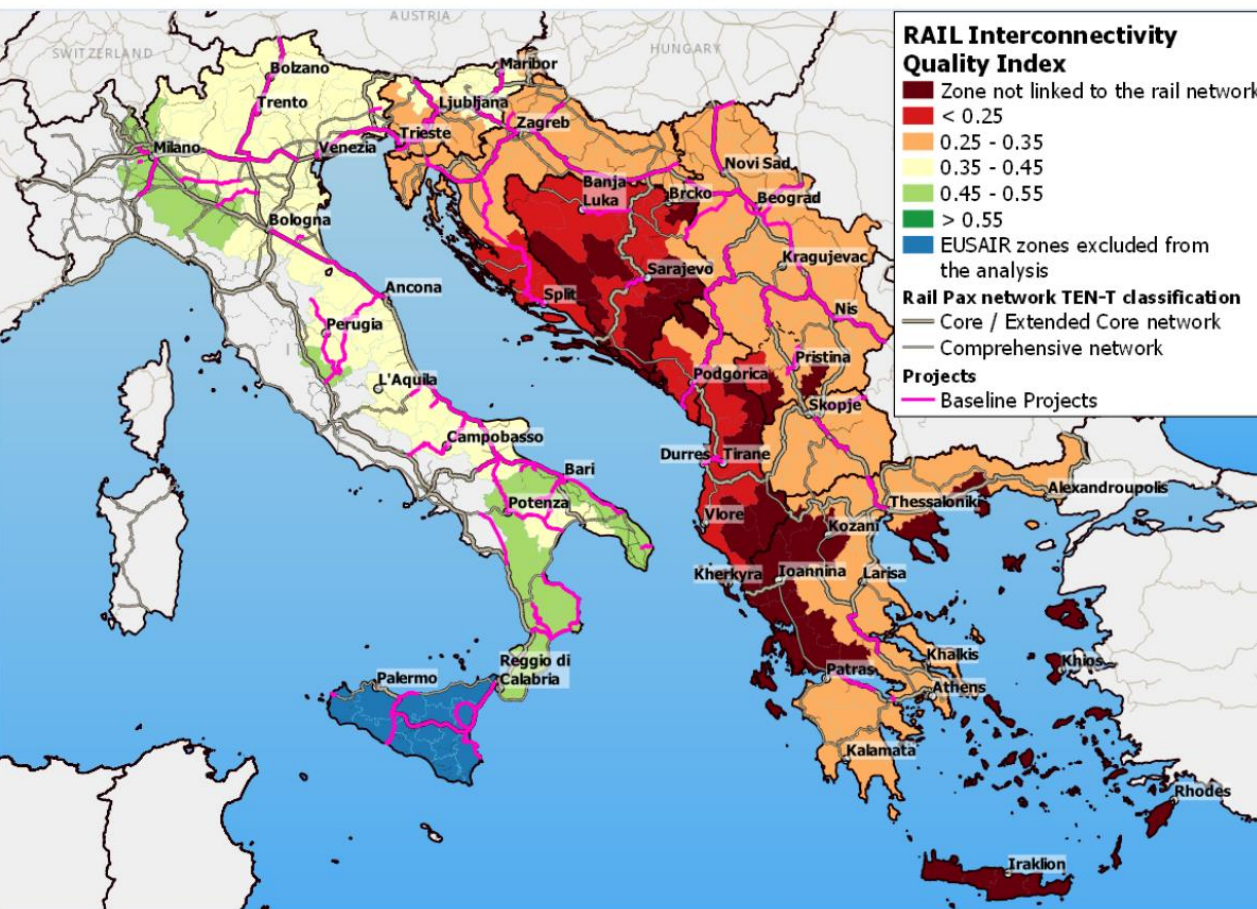


ROADMAP FOR
REPLICABILITY TO OTHER
AREAS

RAIL CONNECTIVITY IN THE ADRIATIC IONIAN REGION

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EUSAIR TRANSPORT MASTERPLAN



BASE YEAR 2017



BASE YEAR 2030

CEI-ES ONGOING ACTIVITY

Funded by the Joint Operational Programme CEI-ES / Friuli Venezia Giulia Region



WORK IN PROGRESS:

Analysis on how to improve passenger rail connections along the route Trieste – Ljubljana – Zagreb – Belgrade

The study will focus on:

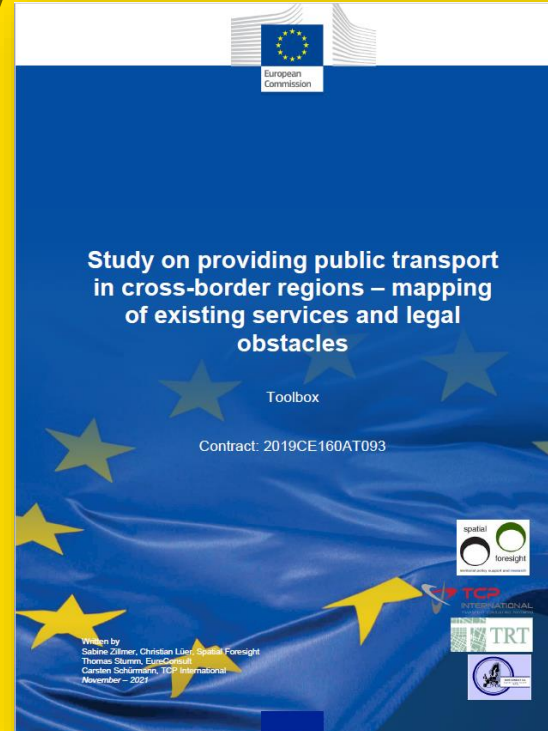
- potential transport demand analysis
- public transport accessibility analysis
- infrastructural and interoperability issues
- recommendations for planning a passenger rail service

THE STUDY WILL BE AVAILABLE BY THE END OF 2024

REG 1370/2007 - Interpretative guidelines concerning Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 on public passenger transport services by rail and by road (2023/C 222/01)

2.1.3. «Application of Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 to **international** public transport services»

s. The pre-requisite for the establishment of an international public service is the **agreement of the competent authorities** of the Member States on whose territory the services are provided. Such competent authorities remain free to decide whether to recognise the public service status of the proposed service on the territory under their jurisdiction.



“Interreg projects can play an important role in supporting commitment and analytical needs.

They can support an in-depth (ex-ante/ex-post) demand analysis and enable testing for new connections. As already happened many times, positive results of Interreg pilot actions can convince public authorities to continue the experimental cross-border service or to integrate it in regular regional/cross-border services”

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