



# 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of Rail and Inter-modal Working Group

## Decisions of the Steering Committee 27<sup>th</sup> April 2006

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- Railways Soft Measures
- Common Network Approach
- Next Steps

## *About SEETO*

- Memorandum of Understanding signed 11<sup>th</sup> June 2004 with EC
- Steering Committee, 8 Members, Alb. BiH, HRV, FYROM, Mont. Kos, Serb, EC met 6 times
- Comprising 9 personnel, National Coordinators in each country
- Technical Secretariat to Steering Committee, based In Belgrade, 5/05
- Financed by EC TA contract till end 2007
- Co-financing from June 2006, to be self sustaining from 2008
- Provides coordination forum, development plans, information
- Compliance with articles of Stability and Association Agreement

## *SEETO Mission*

- Improving and modernising the core transport network of South East Europe for social and economic development

# South East Europe Transport Core Network

- The Core Network comprises 6100 km road, 4600 km rail, 640 km of waterways, 7 sea ports, 11 airports, 58 border crossings (road+rail)
- Does not function as a multi-modal network

# 4,300 km railway network



## 5 year Multi Annual Plan for 2006 to 2010

- Prepared by SEETO for the Partners
- Adopted by SC6 April 27<sup>th</sup> 2006
- Including regional strategy
- 34 reforms – 20 rail / inter-modal
- 40 prioritised projects €1.8 billion
- Next plan 2007 - 2011

# MAP - Strategic approach

To accommodate and harmonize differences between regional and national interests focusing on:

- enhancing regional interest
- stimulating economic development
- ensuring financial sustainability
- improving social and environmental conditions
- using appropriate technical standards



# MAP 2006 – 2010

## Soft Measures Programme 3: Regional Railway Sub-Sector Development

- 14 soft measures - to be implemented by 2010
- Rw01 Regional monitoring - implementation of EU Aquis Communautaire
- Rw02 Through operations facilitation and action plan
- Rw03 Border controls on moving trains
- **Rw04 Regional Railways sub-sectoral strategy and Preparation of Common Network Approach**
- Rw05 Preparation of product plan for Corridor X

# MAP 2006 – 2010

## Soft Measures Programme 3: Regional Railway Sub-Sector Development

- Rw06 Establishment of locomotive and rolling stock leasing company
- Rw07 Harmonisation of infrastructure user conditions and basis for charging
- Rw08 Harmonise conditions for public sector obligations
- Rw09 Prepare and implement EDI programme
- Rw10 Development of regional railways industry /services sector – cross border trading

## MAP 2006 – 2010

### Soft Measures Programme 3: Regional Railway Sub-Sector Development

- Rw11. Harmonisation of legal conditions for carriage of passengers and goods
- Rw12 Harmonise and simplify freight tariff structure – wagon based, through pricing
- Rw13 Development of common marketing
- Rw14 Promoting SEERAIL concept – supporting the SEERail Treaty

## MAP 2006 – 2010

### Soft Measures Programme 4: Inter-modal Development

- Im01 Multi-modal development capacity building
- Im02 SEE Inter-modal Development Strategy
- Im03 Provide the legal basis for multi-modal operations

# Priority Project List

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Corridor X	RD	1	Completion of Belgrade by pass, Sector 1-3: Dobanovci -Ostruznica;	DC	SER	SERRD017.2
	Corridor X	RD	2	Completion of Belgrade by pass, Sector 0: Batajnica - Dobanovci	FS	SER	SERRD017.1
	Corridor X	RD	3	Completion of Belgrade by pass, Sector 4: Ostružnica - Orlovača	FS-CD	SER	SERRD017.3
	Corridor X	RD	5	Completion of Belgrade by pass, Sector 5-6: Orlovača-Bubanj Potok	FS-CD	SER	SERRD017.4
2	Corridor X	RD	18	Construction of motorway: Kumanovo-Tabanovce section	FS	MAC	MACRD012
3	Corridor X	RW	14	Rehabilitation of rail track: Savski Marof-Zagreb section	TR	HRV	HRVRW028.1
	Corridor X	RW	21	Remote rail control traffic system Savski Marof-Zagreb-Tovarnik	PS	HRV	HRVRW027
4	Corridor X	RW	8	Upgrading signalling & telecommunications:Tabanovci-Gevgelija	TR	MAC	MACRW022
	Corridor X	RW	9	Rehabilitation & upgrading rail track: Tabanovci-Gevgelija section	TR	MAC	MACRW025
5	Corridor X	RW	11	Upgrading of railway line Beograd-Niš	PS	SER	SERRW022
	Corridor X	RW	13	Upgrading of railway line Stara Pazova-Šid (CRO border)	PS	SER	SERRW021
6	Corridor VII	IW	6	Danube Riverbed Restoration, 5 Sections	TR	SER	SERIW032-6
7	Corridor Vc	RD	7	Construction of border crossing at Doljani	TR	BIH	BIHRD004
	Corridor Vc	RD	25	Reconstruction of Šešljije - Šamac	TR	BIH	BIHRD006
	Corridor Vc	RD	27	Reconstruction of Tarcin - Konjic	PS	BIH	BIHRD008
8	Corridor VIII	RD	19	Construction of Rogozhine Bypass	CD	ALB	ALBRD004
	Corridor VIII	RD	23	Upgrading of Durres-Pepla road	CD	ALB	ALBRD003
	Corridor VIII	RD	32	Upgrading Qafe Thanës - Pogradec road	CD	ALB	ALBRD005
	Corridor VIII	RD	35	Upgrading Pogradec - Korca road	CD	ALB	ALBRD006
9	Route No. 1	RD	16	Road rehabilitation (section: Debeli brijeg-Bar )	TR	MON	MONRD030
10	Route No. 2b	RD	4	Bypass Niksic	TR	MON	MONRD028
	Route No. 2b	RD	10	Road rehabilitation (section: Scepan polje-Pluzine)	TR	MON	MONRD038
11	Route No. 2b	RD	26	Construction of Brod na Drini (Foča)-Hum (Šćepan Polje)	TR	BIH	BIHRD021
12	Route No. 2b	RD	31	Upgrading Hani Hotit - Shkoder road	PS	ALB	ALBRD007
13	Route No. 4	RD	22	Eastern mini-bypass Podgorica	FS	MON	MONRD029
14	Route No. 6	RD	34	Pristina - Blace Border (Kosovo / FYROM)	TR	KOS	KOSRD006
15	Airport	AP	10	Functional improvements of airside at Belgrade airport	CD	SER	SERAP003
16	Airport	AP	15	Air Traffic management	TR	BIH	BIHAP054
17	Airport	AP	20	Split Airport: New Aircraft Platform i.e. apron	TR	HRV	HRVAP002
18	Airport	AP	24	Rehabilitation of Pristina Airport	FS	KOS	KOSAP001
	Sea Port	SP	17	Transport and Trade Integration (TTI), Port Ploče	PS	HRV	HRVSP010
19	Sea Port	SP	28	Port of Dubrovnik: Construction of international passenger terminal	PS	HRV	HRVSP011
20	Sea Port	SP	29	Reconstruction of Volujica Quay, Port of Bar	TR	MON	MONSP011
	Sea Port	SP	30	Terminal I Quay reconstruction, Port of Bar	TR	MON	MONSP010

# Priority Investment Programme Rail Components

- Corridor X - 6 projects track and signalling rehabilitation and upgrading from Croatian Border to Greek Border
- 968 Km
- € 306 million
- Note that EIB / EBRD agreements are signed for rehabilitation and upgrading in all of the Croatian Sections.

# Steering Committee

The SC endorsed the Mandate of the Rail and IM WG.

Progress in the Working Group is expected to be made on implementing the soft measures in the Multi Annual Plan - particularly on:

- Common Network Management
- Common Legal / Financial Conditions
- Common Approach to the Market
- Common Technical Requirements for IMT and acceptance of equipment

# Common Issues and Common Solutions

In accepting the MAP and railways soft measures the SC had regard to the following issues:

- How to get economies of scale in a relatively small network?
- How to minimise disparity in the implementation of EU directives?
- How to create optimum conditions for investment?
- How to provide simplified and harmonised conditions for operators?
- How many independent operators should there be following restructuring in SEE?
- How many Infrastructure managers are desirable?



# Common Legal / Financial Conditions

The SC was particularly concerned to ensure that reforms are

- Harmonise implementation of EU Directives
- Provide an interoperable network with common legal conditions
- Provide common access conditions / contract
- Provide a common set of services / performance standards
- A common basis and framework for access charges
- One window for negotiation of access transactions and administration
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# Common Network Documentation (1)

- 1 General
- 1.1 Purpose
- 1.2 Validity
- 1.3 Language
- 1.4 Distribution
- 1.5 Approval
- 1.6 Dispute resolution
- 1.7 Liability
- 1.8 Further information
  
- 2 The railway infrastructure
- 2.1 Network definition and area of competence
- 2.2 Characteristics of the infrastructure of the trunk railway network
- 2.3 Infrastructure development
- 2.4 Availability and reliability of the infrastructure to inform carriers
- 2.5 External restrictions of use

# Common Network Documentation (2)

- 3 Access and services
- 3.1 Access conditions
- 3.2 Safety certificate
- 3.3 Admission of rolling stock
- 3.4 Infrastructure Usage Charges
- 3.5 Other services to be contracted
  
- 4 Allocation of capacity
- 4.1 Public law framework
- 4.2 Potential Carriers
- 4.3 Allocating authorities
- 4.4 Allocation phases
- 4.5 Allocation procedure per phase
- 4.6 Requests for capacity allocation
- 4.7 Allocation rules, in the planning phase
- 4.8 Allocation rules, in the phase of traffic regulation
- 4.9 Coordination of possessions for maintenance, repair, and construction
- 4.10 Reserved capacities for international traffic
- 4.11 Congested (capacity constrained) infrastructure

# Common Network Documentation (3)

- Appendix 1 Map of trunk railway network; general overview map
- Appendix 2 Map of trunk railway network; maximum loading gauges per line
- Appendix 3 Map of trunk railway network; axle loads and tonne meter weights
- Appendix 4 Map of trunk railway network; installed safety systems
- Appendix 5 Map of trunk railway network; route section speeds
- Appendix 6 Map of trunk railway network; electrified route sections; catenary voltage
- Appendix 7 Map of trunk railway network; applicable environmental licences
- Appendix 8 Map of trunk railway network; route sections with traffic restrictions
- Appendix 9 Map of trunk railway network; congested infrastructure
- Appendix 10 Map of border crossings
- Appendix 11 Map of passenger stations
- Appendix 12 Map of freight yards, terminals and inter-modal interchanges
- Appendix 13 Table; alterations to infrastructure functions applicable from
- Appendix 14 Working plan; time table for final submission of allocation requests
- Appendix 15 Model Access Agreement Terms and References, Dispute Resolution Procedures
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# Common Technical Management

- Common regional time table
- Common access services
- Common technical standards
- Common information system - EDI
- Common T&RS equipment / technical acceptance / TSI
- Through / cross border operations
- Common maintenance standards
- Common possession procedures
- Common safety procedures
- Common route development planning

## Access Services - included in IUC

1. Handling of requests for infrastructure capacity
2. Administration of the contract to utilise capacity which is granted
3. Use of running track points and junctions
4. Train control including signalling, regulation, dispatching and the communication and provision of information on train movement
5. Receipt of current general network information
6. Receipt of specific information to operate the service for which capacity has been contracted
7. Right to transport and receive control of transport of dangerous goods
8. Provision of supplementary information
9. Parking while waiting for contracted slot in the timetable
10. Waiting slots at border crossings
11. Use of electric catenary (overhead wires for traction energy)
12. Technical inspection of rolling stock for safety reasons in train operations

## Access Services – additional to standard IUC

1. Access and use of passenger information facilities
2. Access and use of telecommunication network
3. Access and use of refuelling facilities
4. Access and use of passenger stations, their buildings, platforms and other facilities (by rail and road)
5. Access and use of freight / inter-modal terminals (by rail and road)
6. Access and use of marshalling yards
7. Access and use of border crossing facilities
8. Access to train formation facilities
9. Access to maintenance and other technical facilities in case of danger
10. Access to Breakdown or re-railing equipment
11. Access to railway owned sidings
12. Access to water filling facilities
13. Access to preheating facilities of passenger trains
14. Access to shunting facilities

# User Charges

In approving soft measure Rw7 the SC would like to see progress being made on the following...

- UCs to be based on actual or normative costs?
- Including all costs or marginal costs?
- Charging unit gross ton km, per wagon, train km?
- Common IUC tariff by type of train, level of service, load, type of traffic, domestic, international or transit?
- Including precisely what IM services?



# Next Steps @ SEETO

- Working Group for Railways and Inter-modal Development first meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> June Belgrade
- Establishes scope for common regional approach
- Determines status of reform
- Initiate / facilitate a common formulation for network statement, access agreement and framework for charges
- SEE Railways submits network data for common statement and SEETIS (regional transport data base)
- Includes key requirements in the resolution for the Annual Meeting of Ministers for November 2006

Moving forward...

- Considers political / legal requirements - TREATY
- Determines modus operandi for Infrastructure Management, outsourcing, concession.

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**SOUTH EAST EUROPE TRANSPORT OBSERVATORY (SEETO)**

- The South East Europe Transport Observatory or SEETO aims to promote the development of the core regional transport network.
- Ministers of SEE sign a landmark agreement for cooperation in developing the Region's transport network in Skopje 10th November 2006 at their first Annual Meeting of Ministers.
  - The first Annual Meeting of Ministers held in Skopje
  - The text of the resolution
  - Pictures

**Latest News** New! Travel Questionnaire

April 20th, 2006 **The 6th Steering Committee meeting will convene in Montenegro on 27th and 28th April.** The Steering Committee will meet to adopt the first Multi Annual Plan which would represent a milestone in regional cooperation.

April 18th, 2006 **Tabanovce Border crossing in Macedonia renovated by World Bank-funded project.** A newly rebuilt border crossing at Tabanovce, which connects Macedonia with neighboring Serbia, **opened on 12 April** within the framework of the Regional Programme for Facilitation of Trade and Transport in South East Europe (TTFSE). The government and the World Bank funded the project. [Link]

March 19th, 2006 **The Draft 5 year Multi Annual Plan for the Development of the South East Europe Core Transport Network was completed.** The Plan includes a number of key investment projects for road, rail, air, maritime and river transport as well as a wide range of suggested actions for governments and management. The Plan will be examined firstly by governments and international banks before publication. It is expected that the Plan will be adopted by participating governments and the EC on 27th April 2006. Further information on the Plan can be obtained from Steering Committee Members or SEETO.

February 14th, 2006 **The 5th steering committee meeting.** The SEETO steering committee met for the 5th time, now in the SEETO offices in Belgrade. **Ms. Slavjanka Petruseva**, the new head of SEETO, presented the working plan for 2006 and **Mr. Alexander MacDonald** was introduced as a new transport planning expert. The members of the SC agreed on the project evaluation criteria and method of **project prioritization** for use in the 2006 to 2010 plan. This meeting prepared a needed basis for the development of the first Multi annual plan.

December 7th, 2005 **Extension of Major trans-European Transport Axes to the Neighbouring Countries and Regions.** Ms Loyola de Palacio, Chair of the High Level Group on the Extension of Major trans-European Transport Axes to the Neighbouring Countries and Regions delivered its final report to Commissioner Jacques Barrot. [Final Report][Map][Brochure]

**Information**

- Upgrading of Durran road VIII
- Construction of Ro Bypass on Corridor
- Construction of Lu Fier road
- Construction of Fie road
- Upgrading Elbasan Librazd road
- Upgrading Qafe Th Pogradec road
- Upgrading Pograd Korca road
- Construction Skop pass phase I
- Skopje by-pass ph
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