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EU Development of TEN-T corridors and arising challenges

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Overview of the Core Network Corridor and MoS

The key objectives of the TEN-T are achievigv smooth functioning of the internal market and the strengthening of economic, social and territorial cohesion



Overview of the Core Network Corridor The 9 multimodal Core Network Corridors



• **9 multimodal corridors**, interesting the 28 EU MS

94 ports connected with railway and road lines, 38 airports with railway connection to main cities,
15.000 km of railway lines converted to HS

• *Governance* system based on the stakeholder involvement through *fora*

The new challenges of TEN-T Core Network Corridors (CNCs)

- The Regulation 1315/2013 and 1316/2013 have defined the characteristics and alignment of the TEN-T network, distinguishing Comprehensive and Core Network layers, the latter consisting of those parts of the comprehensive network with **highest strategic importance** for achieving the objectives of the trans-European transport network policy
- In the period 2014 2017, the cooperation among Member States and infrastructure manager successfully achieved the definition of the actions to be implemented for the completion of the Core Network corridor with the requested infrastructure characteristics by 2030
- Such effort has also largely driven the preparation and evaluation of the applications for funding of transport projects under key EU financial programs (CEF, Cohesion Fund), although the remaining financial needs are substantial
- **Decarbonisation**, **safety**, **security** and transport **efficiency** are key objective of EU transport policy.
- Achievement of Reg. 1315/2013 infrastructure targets will contribute to such objectives, but other actions defined with a lower level of detail in the Regulation (alternative fuels availability, digitalization) or emerged more recently (military mobility) are developing as essential elements of TEN-T development, and will require higher attention, planning, and funding effort in the coming years.



EU policy objectives for TEN-T Availability of alternative clean fuels



Alternative fuels' objectives TEN-T

- availability of alternative clean fuels to be improved over the TEN-T network (IWW, roads, ports, airports)
- availability of alternative clean fuels should be based on demand for those fuels
- there should not be any requirement to provide access to each alternative clean fuel at each fuel station.

Source: Regulation UE 1315/2013

Alternative fuels

electricity, hydrogen, biofuels (liquids), synthetic fuels, methane (natural gas (CNG and LNG) and biomethane) and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)



substituting for fossil oil sources

contribute to decarbonisation

enhance environmental performance

... but there are some potential obstacles

- Lack of demand analysis for clean fuels consistently carried out for all corridors
- Lack of measurable targets (such as density of clean fuel stations, n. vehicles / ships fuelled by clean fuels)

For the future, **need of moving from national** initiatives and plans **to a larger scale coordination** [30+ ports & 20 sea carriers involved]

Availability of alternative fuels to be ensured at macro-regional level Example of good practice

GAINN4MOS

- •Aims to improve the MoS network in 6 MS
- Retrofitting and prototypes of LNG-fueled vessels (cruise ships, Ro-pax & bunkering barges)
- Construction of LNG bunkering stations at core ports

Countries involved: ES/ FR/ HR/ IT/ PT/ SI Start/End : 1.2015 – 9.2019

Funding and cost: M€ 19.22 CEF funding (M€ 41.37 total cost)

- GHG emissions reduced by 20%
- Sulphur emissions reduced by 80%







Cruise ship (Italy)

For the future, need of moving from *local initiatives* and plans **to a** larger scale coordination $[\rightarrow 13 ES \& PT]$ port authorities, *Iberian facades* of ATL & MED corridors]

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CORE LNGas hive

- •Aims to develop a safe and efficient, integrated logistics and supply chain for LNG in the transport industry (small scale and bunkering), particularly for maritime transport of the Iberian Peninsula
- •25 activities: 14 studies and 11 integrated pilots.

Countries

Start/End : 2014-2020 **Funding and**

cost: M€ 16,65 2014 CEF funding (50% of M€ 33,3 total cost)







Future challenges



 Ambitious targets on the related development of LNG should be defined also in view of the long-term competitiveness of the EU's logistic clusters



Regional or corridor wide programs shall gradually replace pilot initiatives at local level

Need for action



 ✓ Alternative clean fuels' projects have high potential for PPP funding, i.e. they are eligible for blending that is likely to become standard CEF approach



Corridor digitalisation





Corridor digitalisation



Transport & logistics companies do foresee a **strong** development of digitalisation in their sector («high level of digitalisation» expected growing from 28% to 71% in 5 years)



Fonte: PwC, Survey Global Industry 4.0 PwC (2016) – with more than **2.000 participants** *from 9 industrial sectors & 26 countries.*



Even if only 1 T&L company out of 5 believes to have already reached high level of digitalisation in the development of business model & digital services ... digital-based model already affect significantly the sector

High expected impact on the value chain ... even if T&L companies are slightly more cautious





Reduction of network inefficiencies is essential to achieve expected benefits





- Congestion is an important phenomenon for all EU transport networks, generating significant negative economic impact
- The system also shows a low resilience in case of exceptional events (e.g. Ratstatt)

EU policy objectives for TEN-T Digitalisation is an integral part of TEN-T development



Efficiency objective TEN-T

- interconnection and interoperability of transport networks
- optimal integration and interconnection of all modes of transport
- efficient use of the new and existing infrastructure
- effective application of innovative operational and technological concepts

Source: Regulation UE 1315/2013

INTELLIGENT MANAGEMENT OF TRANSPORT SYSTEMS has become an integral part of TEN-T development

Functions• Traffic management
• Communication systems between transport
modes
• Payment systems and value-added services
• Safety and environmental protection
• Simplified administrative proceduresApplicationsERTMS (rail) SESAR (air)
ITS (road, multimodal)
RIS (inland WW)
VTMIS & SafeSeaNet (sea)

... but there are some potential obstacles

- Focus on mono-modal applications
- Genericity of some objectives
- Drainage of resources for infrastructure projects

Critical factors for corridor digitalisation



1. Adapted governance and business models

2. Sharing and protection of data



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3. Interconnection and standardisation



Adapted governance & business models Existing models



		Opportunities		Issues
<text></text>	•	Structured governance model Monitoring of KPI on corridor efficiency (punctuality, capacity) Harmonisation effort across RFCs	•	Prevailing traditional vision (international path coordination) Limited activation of the coordination with terminals Resilience in case of disruption not effective yet (e.g. Ratstatt)
TEN-T CORE NETWORK CORRIDORS (Reg. UE 1315/2013)	•	Multimodal approach Node managers present at discussion Fora Specific objectives on intermodal connections and development of «intelligent» management systems	•	Focused on long term development Mainly infrastructure development (hardware) Objectives on digitalisation not defined with the same detail as the infrastructure ones

Adapted governance & business models Building blocks



From **coordination** to **integration**, by creating «trust» and common business objectives among the different stakeholders (not only compliance)

HIGHER FOCUS ON OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT

vs. the as-is approach mainly targeting planning

MULTIMODAL GOVERNANCE

Integrating intermodal nodes in a more structured way

BUSINESS-ORIENTED APPLICATION

not only pilot projects that are «technology driven»

CORRIDOR PERFORMANCES from ex-post KPI

measurement to real time monitoring

CERTIFIED TRANSACTIONS along the entire multimodal

value chain

CHANGE MANAGEMENT

Development of the organisation and professional culture

Sharing and protection of data



Sharing and protection of data Digitalisation supporting or enabling logistic processes

The blockchain technology allows the management of certified transactions along the entire value chain (eg booking, management, tracking and payment of complex services involving multiple actors) without requiring intermediation of intermediate subjects for the transmission / certification of data



Interconnection and standardisation Go beyond the "mono-modal" approach



Interconnection and standardisation Challenge is high even looking at a single mode of transport



Source: PwC elaboration on Port Benchmark analysis results in Report for EC - Ex-post evaluation of RFD and VTMIS (2017)

PCS and operators' platforms should be "federated", in order to provide E2E journey planning, but also booking, invoicing, payment of the services, at corridor/ network level Implementation of smart freight mobility solutions in order to provide E2E journey planning

Connecting the MoS with the hinterland: the role of the TEN-T CNC Key Drivers – best practice

PORTBASE

Port Community System for digital connection of Dutch ports

- National coverage
- Available for all port actors / activities
- Easy and efficient exchange information
- Ports' greater efficiency, lower costs, better service provision and transparent planning, more rapid throughput times, optimal re-use of information

«extended terminal gate concept» developed to integrate and control multimodal hinterland flows barge + rail share to increase from 43% to 58%

Military mobility

Military mobility: the new EU policy

Source: EC, Joint Communication to the European Parliament and the Council on the **Action Plan on Military Mobility**, 28.03.2018

Military requirements

- Developed by EU External Action Service and the EU Military Staff
- Needs of the EU and its Member States, incl. infrastructure for military mobility
- To be validated by the Council by mid-2018

- Parts of the TEN-T network suitable for military transport
- Necessary upgrades of existing infrastructure

Priority list of projects

maximum height clearance or weight tolerance of road bridges
loading gauge of railway lines
intermodal terminals for dual use civil & military dual use

Dedicated financial support

6,5 bn€ earmarked for the period 2021-2027

Regulatory and procedural issues

Streamline and simplify customs formalities for military operations

e.g.

- Aligned rules for (military) transport of dangerous goods
- Cross-border movement permissions

Military mobility The challenges for TEN-T corridors

Additional requirements for the road and rail infrastructure

Needs are likely to be higher on the Corridors reaching EU external borders such as

- North Sea Baltic
- Orient -East-Med &
- Mediterranean

Roads

No technical requirement imposed on road network bridges

Railways

- Axle load minimum limit (22.5 t) could be not sufficient
- No technical requirement imposed on loading of rail network bridges
- Loading gauge for railway tunnels are not defined by current regulation

Ports and intermodal terminals

• Specifications for dual use may impose additional infrastructure needs

The new challenges of TEN-T Core Network Corridors (CNCs)

- The Regulation 1315/2013 sets detailed target for CNCs infrastructure, especially for rail and IWW, while objective related to **alternative fuels** and **digitalisation** are defined in a more general way
- Such aspects, together with new funding priorities such as "military mobility", are likely to become increasingly important in the near future, to achieve EU transport priorities such as
 - * decarbonisation,
 - mitigation of congestion,
 - Iower administrative costs,
 - * **security** and
 - overall competiveness of the logistic chain
- **Corridor Work Plans and EU funding** will be also driven by such new priorities, and therefore transport planning (even at national level) shall define clear action plans and achievable / measurable targets
- **Innovation**, **coordination** and **standardisation** are required to achieve substantial results

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