

# **Revision of the TEN-T Regulation**

Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network

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#### Milestones of the revision process

#### **Evaluation & Impact Assessment**

- Evaluation of the TEN-T Regulation: adopted on 26 May 2021
- Impact assessment: published alongside the legislative proposal

#### Legislative Proposal

- adopted by College on 14 December 2021
- as part of a package: revision of ITS Directive, action plan on long-distance and cross-border passenger rail, urban mobility action plan
- Amended TEN-T proposal adopted on **27 July 2022**



#### General principles and provisions

- **New network structure:** core, extended core and comprehensive network together forming the trans-European transport network (TEN-T)
- New intermediary deadline of 2040
- European Transport Corridors (ETC):
  - integration of CNC and RFC
  - composed of most strategic parts of core network AND of the extended core network
- Two horizontal priorities (ERTMS, European Maritime Space)
  - closer integration with work of ETC



#### Gradual network completion in three steps

2030

core network completion with regard to 2013 TEN-T standards 2040

- completion of the extended core network sections (part of European Transport Corridors)
- newly introduced TEN-T standards on core and extended core network
- ERTMS deployment obligation on extended core and comprehensive network

2050

completion of comprehensive network



# Key elements per transport mode



#### Railway transport

- Overall vision:
  - > to create a highly competitive and fully interoperable rail freight network
  - > to develop a high performance rail passenger network across Europe

To this aim:

- introduction of new / reinforced standards:
  - ✓ at least **160 km/h line speed** for passenger railway lines of the core and extended core network
  - extension of existing core rail freight standards to the extended core and comprehensive network (22.5 t axle load, 740 m train length) or to extended core network (100 km/h line speed)
  - facilitating the carriage of semitrailers on rail to promote intermodal transport (P400 standard)
- firm push for ERTMS deployment latest by 2040 for extended core and comprehensive network and introduction of legally binding deadline for decommissioning national (class B) systems by 2040

European Commission

 operational performance targets for rail freight services along the rail freight lines of the European Transport Corridors by 2030 (limited dwelling time at border crossings; punctuality at scheduled time)

## Inland waterways transport

definition of good navigation status

- objective: to ensure efficient, reliable and safe navigation for users by ensuring minimum waterway requirements and levels of service
- new tailor-made approach for inland waterways: good navigation status
- minimum requirements for good navigability (at defined reference water levels):
  - o at least 2.50 m navigable channel depth for rivers, canals, lakes and inland ports
  - 5.25 m min. height under non-openable bridges
- complementary specific requirements per river-basin by implementing act
- hinterland connection of inland ports by rail and/or inland waterway has to respect the TEN-T standards for rail and inland waterways



## Maritime transport

promotion of Short Sea Shipping and hinterland connectivity

#### European Maritime Space: promotion of Short Sea Shipping

- o removal of eligibility rules for former MoS projects
- opening up for domestic SSS connections, for comprehensive-comprehensive port connections and for connections with third countries
- focus on hinterland connectivity with important leverage effect on modal shift (e.g. maritime ports to be connected to road and rail)



## Road transport

focus on increased road safety

- **quality of the road**: harmonised provisions with regard to road safety:
  - separate carriageways for the two directions of traffic;
  - o does not cross at level with any road, railway or tramway track, bicycle or footpath;
  - o does not serve properties bordering on it.
- rest areas available at max distance of 60 km from each other
- safe and secure parkings for commercial vehicles, available at maximum distance of 100 km from each other
- weigh in motion systems are installed at a maximum distance of 300 km from each other

Exemption clause for sections with traffic density below 10,000 vehicles/day or with specific geographic or significant physical constraints

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#### Air transport

better connectivity and integration of airports into high-speed rail network

#### □ New: focus on hinterland connectivity and terminal availability

- airports of the core network and airports of the comprehensive network (with a total annual passenger traffic volume of > 4 million passengers): to be connected with long-distance railway network, including high-speed rail network where possible
- any airport shall offer at least one terminal which is open to all operators and users
- Exemption clauses: negative cost-benefit analysis, specific geographic or physical constraints (e.g. islands without railway system)



# Multimodal freight terminals

sufficient multimodal freight terminal capacity

- Objective: to increase the number of multimodal transhipment hubs for freight
- wider definition of TEN-T terminals: in addition to RRT terminals, also terminals in inland/maritime ports and in urban nodes
- obligation for Member States to conduct a market and prospective analysis and to submit an action plan for the development of a multimodal freight terminal network
- obligation to have at least one multimodal freight terminal per urban node
- terminals to be equipped with at least one alternative fuel recharging station to serve heavy-duty vehicles



## Urban nodes

Better network integration

- improved integration of wider network of 424 urban nodes
- obligations for all nodes:
  - o to establish SUMPs by 2025
  - o to report on urban mobility data
  - to have at least one multimodal freight terminal per urban node (with at least one recharging station for heavy-duty vehicles)
  - to develop multimodal passenger hubs (with at least one recharging station for busses)



# Reinforced governance



## **Reinforced TEN-T governance**

- Reinforced role of the **European Coordinators**:
  - o institutionalise the presence of European Coordinators in cross-border entities
  - widen the scope of the mandate to reflect the new TEN-T priorities, in particular to ensure close cooperation with the ETC rail freight governance (ex-RFC governance)
- Harmonisation and streamlining of the existing TEN-T monitoring and governance tools
  - o adoption of the Coordinators' work plans every four years
  - o annual status report



# Amended TEN-T proposal

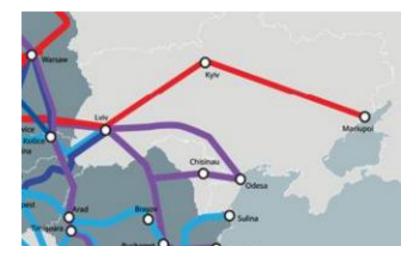


#### Amended TEN-T proposal Fostering rail interoperability

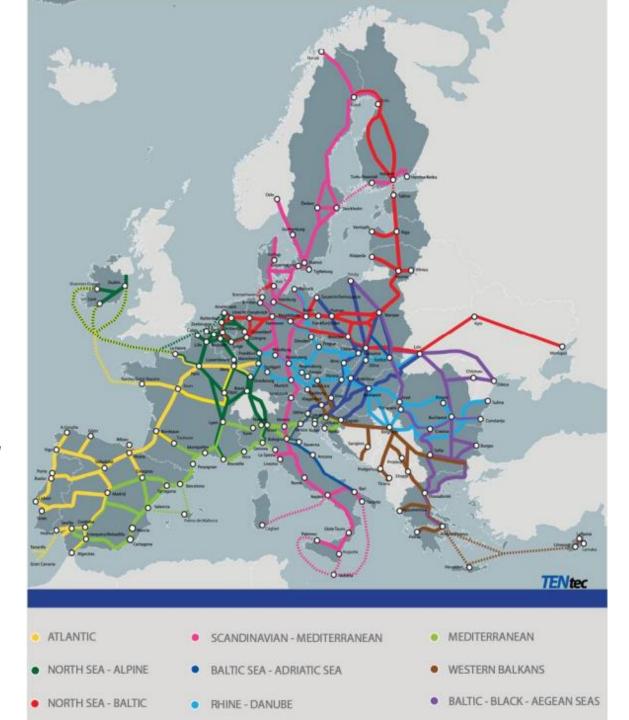
- **New lines** on the TEN-T:
  - new railway infrastructure on the TEN-T shall provide for the European standard nominal track gauge (1435 mm)
- **Existing lines** of the European Transport Corridors:
  - migration plan to be drawn up by Member States at the latest two years after the entry into force of the Regulation
  - no formal obligation to migrate, Member States keep margin of appreciation, also on timing for migration
  - migration plan aims at a smooth transition of the entire network, technologies being available to ensure no interruption on the network



#### Amended TEN-T proposal Extension of European Transport Corridors



- North-Sea Baltic Corridor -> Lviv, Kyiv, Mariupol
- Baltic-Black-Aegean Sea Corridor -> Lviv, Chisinau, Odesa
- Baltic Sea-Adriatic Sea Corridor -> Lviv
- Rhine-Danube Corridor -> Lviv



# TEN-T revision – next steps



#### TEN-T revision – next steps

- **Council**: 'General approach' expected under CZ Presidency (TTE of 5/12/22)
- European Parliament:
  - Rapporteurs Barbara Thaler (EPP) and Dominique Riquet (Renew)
  - Presentation of draft report in TRAN on 26 October 2022
  - ✓ Vote in TRAN Committee / Plenary foreseen for January/February 2023
- **Trilogues** potentially to start as of March 2023
- Adoption of the revised Regulation in 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2023 (Spanish Presidency)
- Entry into force of the Regulation possibly as of January 2024



# Thank you

All documents related to the TEN-T revision available on: https://transport.ec.europa.eu/news/efficient-and-green-mobility-2021-12-14\_en

