

EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) Priority area 1b: To improve mobility and multimodality - rail, road and air links

WORKSHOP ON

IMPROVING ATTRACTIVENESS AND COMPETITIVENESS of Railways *in the Danube Region*

Monday and Tuesday, **21 - 22 November 2016**

Ljubljana / Slovenia

Venue: Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza, Bratislavska cesta 8, Ljubljana

AGENDA

Monday, 21 November 2016

12.00 - 13.00	Registration and light buffet lunch
13.00 - 13.40	 Welcome, introductory and keynote speech Welcome: Franc Žepič, Secretary and PAC, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia Andreja Jerina, EUSDR National Coordinator, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia
	Introductory speech: - Klemen Potisek, State Secretary, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia
	 Keynote speech: Libor Lochman, Executive director, CER, Brussels Role of CER for short- to medium term improvement of attractiveness and competitiveness of railways in Europe?
13.40 - 14.40	SESSION I: The Rail Legislation - support or obstacle for attractiveness and competitiveness of railways?
	Speakers: - Prof. Dr. Bernd Kortschak , University of Applied Sciences. Erfurt, Germany Legal obstacles concerning the ecological necessary shift from road to rail
	- Zorica Radović , Senior Adviser, Directorate for Railways, Serbia Railway market opening as incentive for improving attractiveness and competitiveness of railway transport



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	- Boris Živec , Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia Which regulation for more attractive and competitive railway market?
14.40 - 15.15	Round Table with Director Generals: Desired policy options for railways
	Moderator: Boris Živec Panelists:
	- Miroslav Stojčić , Director General, Serbian Railways JSC , Serbia
	- Ivica Vrankić, CEO, Eurorail Logistics d.o.o., Croatia
	- Peter Verlič , Ph.D., Director, The Institute of Traffic and Transport Ljubljana, also on behalf of Director General of Slovenian Railways
	- Mirjana Trifunović , Head of Department for Railways and Intermodal transport, Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Serbia
	- Darja Kocjan, Director General, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia
15.15 - 15.45	Coffee break
15.45 - 17.25	SESSION II: What are challenges for railway freight in the Danube region
	 Speakers: Ivica Vrankić, Train Hungary – Office Zagreb, Croatia How to do rail business in the Danube Region? Jean-Marc Hillenberg, Secretary General Association Corridor X Plus and Chairman of the Coordination Group of RFC 9 Rhine-Danube, ÖBB- Infrastruktur AG, Austria The Rhine-Danube and the Pan-European Corridor X as a bridge in the Eurasian Traffic Vasilije Krstić, Assistant Director General, Srbija Kargo, Serbia Track access charges and competitiveness of railways Miloslav Kogler, RFC Senior Manager, RNE- RailNetEurope, Vienna RNE role in encouraging harmonised rules in the international railway business Peter Verlič, Ph.D. Director, Prometni Inštitut Ljubljana, Slovenija SEESARI – South East Europe Alliance for Railway Innovation





17.25 - 17.55	 SESSION II, Discussion: Outlook for rail freight in the Danube region Contributions by participants moderated by Franc Žepič
17.55 - 18.00	Day 1 Conclusions
18.30 - 20.30	NETWORKING DINNER

Tuesday, 22 November 2016

09.00 - 09.30	Registration and coffee
09.30 - 11.00	SESSION III: What are challenges for railway passengers transport in the Danube region
	Speakers: - Martin Smoliner, Graz University of Technology, Austria Integrated Timetable Systems in the Danube Region
	- Ante Klečina , Savez za željeznicu (Pro-Rail Alliance), Croatia Importance of the development of an integrated public transport in the Danube Region
	- Bojan Žlender , Head of unit, Ministry of Infrastructure, Slovenia Integrated Timetable in Slovenia
	- Stanislav Lenart , ZAG - Slovenian National Building and Civil Engineering Institute, Slovenia Destination Rail – developing novel techniques for improved competitiveness of railways
11.00 - 11.35	 SESSION III, Discussion: Prospect for passenger rail in the Danube region Contributions by participants moderated by Boris Živec
11.35 - 11.45	CLOSING REMARKS: - Outlook and challenges for the Danube region rail freight and passenger market
12.00 - 13.30	Farewell Lunch

