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1. THE INTER-CONNECT PILOTS

TRIESTE, ITALY

The **case study in Trieste** regards the improvement of multimodal public transport connections in the region, with a particular focus on Trieste public transport and maritime services.

REGIONE EMILIA-ROMAGNA,

ITALY

The Emilia-Romagna case studies deal with the improvement of intermodal transport solutions using soft solutions. In particular the Inter-Connect

of transnational seasonal maritime lines with local public transports, especially in terms of accessibility of the passengers terminal. The second aims at evaluating the potential of a new maritime public transport service connecting the cities of Trieste/Muggia and Koper. Stakeholders from the Municipality of Trieste and Muggia, City of Koper, the Autonomous Region FVG, Trieste Trasporti and Samer & Co shipping company are involved in order to support the case study and address the different implementation steps.

In July, the Central European Initiative hosted a stakeholders' roundtable to define the institutional vision and identify the necessary measures for the implementation of the case study. At the beginning of September, the first round of surveys closed to gather feedbacks from users and tourists on the quality of the current maritime connection service, the level of accessibility of the Passenger terminal and the users point of view about the potential maritime service Muggia- Koper.



LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA

Case study in Slovenia prioritises situation analysis with proposals on improvement and introduction of soft measures for development of intramodality and public transport in the region. Case study initiates two actions within the corridor Port of Koper passenger terminal-Ljubljana hub-Ljubljana Jože Pučnik Airport. First action will analyse current situation and emphasise the main potential for implementing soft measures for improvement of intramodality among the PT transport modes on defined corridor (e.g. timetables, ticketing and fares integration). Based on the study results, ssecond part will focus on

case studies, conducted by Emilia-Romagna Region and the Institute for Transport and Logistics (IT

Foundation), are oriented on two different transport solutions.

The first Case Study is related to the improvement of the passenger rail service between Ravenna, Rimini and Bologna reducing the time to reach the final destinations. This case study intend to analyse how to improve travel time without major infrastructure investment (double track between Castel Bolognese and Ravenna). In particular it will focus on origin-destination demand analysis and service stop re-design so to have an overall faster service, improving overall users' satisfaction and service appeal. Both rail infrastructure manager – RFI - and rail services undertakings - TRENITALIA and TPER - have been involved for the passenger rail transport offer redesign.



The second case study is related to the extension of the current bus tourists' tickets ("Romagna Smart Pass") to rail along the Romagna attractive cities, to promote intermodality and public transport in Romagna. During the summer a dedicated survey was conducted in order to collect data on tourists travel experience in Romagna, their awareness levels in relation to the existence of a bus integrated ticket, mapping the tourists' interests on a new kind of integrated ticket (bus+train) and their willingness to pay for it.



BELGRADE, SERBIA

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Different implementation steps will be supported from main stakeholders in the region: City of Ljubljana and Koper, Slovenian railways-Passenger transport, Port of Koper – Passenger terminal, regular bus operators, tourist agencies and regional development agencies in the area.



IGOUMENITSA, GREECE

Cooperation scheme between City & Port Authority of Igoumenitsa for providing seamless Public Transport services to tourists and offering them with an upgraded travel experience inside the wider area of Igoumenitsa.

PORT OF BAR, MONTENEGRO

Tourism is defined as the highest development priority of all industries in Montenegro. The case study will support intermodal transport of the passengers in Montenegro and in particular passenger transport in Bar (improvements of the connection of sea, bus and rail transport). Special attention is given to the role of the Port of Bar and its role as a seaport in the process of transport of people, from roads to sea and railways, and vice versa.



friendly intermodal connections with long distance railway and bus lines.

DURRES, ALBANIA

Albania case study will enhance intermodal transport between rail and maritime and possibly other modes of transports especially between Tirana and Durres region.

ZAGREB, CROATIA

The pilot itself would be a Feasibility Study on Croatia-Greece railway-maritime tourist route and its drafting would involve key stakeholders such as Croatia Tourist Board with its subsidiaries in port towns of Rijeka, Zadar, Split and Dubrovnik, as well as local government and port authorities of these towns. The intention is to explore the possibility of facilitating faster and cheaper travel for tourist by connecting ADRION countries by innovative services.

The Croatian pilot would explore the possibility of this “railway + maritime route”, including travelling potential from Croatia and other surrounding countries gravitating to Adriatic Sea. It would take into consideration passengers’ travel preferences and requirements, as well as objective service aspects.



2. LOCAL DISSEMINATION EVENTS

Past & Future

Past local dissemination events

On 30 July 2018, the 1st local roundtable of the Inter-Connect project was organised by the Central European Initiative – Executive Secretariat (CEI-ES), at its premises in Trieste. The aim of the roundtable was to discuss the case studies assigned to the CEI under the project's framework, regarding the improvement of multimodal public transport connections in the region, with a particular focus on rail, Trieste public transport and maritime services.

Relevant stakeholders were present, namely representatives from the Autonomous Region Friuli-Venezia Giulia (ARFVG), the Municipality of Trieste, Trieste Trasporti, the City of Capodistria, Samer & Co shipping company, and the CEI.



Inter-Connect | Local Dissemination event in Igoumenitsa

The first roundtable organized into the Inter-Connect project took place on the 21st of September 2018 during the European Mobility Week 2018 at the PANTHEON Cultural Center of Igoumenitsa. The dialogue among the

participants started with the presentation of the needs of the city as identified within Inter-Connect project.

During the roundtable, the main discussed points regarded:
 Identification of the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats as regards the positioning of Igoumenitsa City at local, regional and national level and at transnational level;
 Data sources identification for passengers flows at local/regional and transnational level and as for the local case;



Rating of Public Transport Attributes; Identification of main poles of attraction/ points of interest inside the case or at its wider area; Stakeholders cooperation and cooperation schemes to be promoted in order to provide a viable public transport bus line. The day after, on 22nd of September, in the Pedestrian Road of Igoumenitsa, in the center of the city, the local dissemination event took place at Igoumenitsa.

Inter-Connect began its stakeholder's campaign also in Ljubljana urban region

On 12th of October 2018, first stakeholder's consultation and round table was hosted by Regional Development Agency of Ljubljana Urban Region (RDA LUR). Event was jointly organised with SMART-MR project (Sustainable Measures for Achieving Resilient Transportation in Metropolitan Regions) and was attended by 37 participants from various stakeholders' groups related to sustainable mobility. Main outcome of event was to define a coherent vision and underline main sustainable mobility actions to improve connectivity of Ljubljana Urban Region.

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Future local dissemination event

- On 12th of November in Trieste by CEI

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3. 3rd INTER-CONNECT MEETING IN ZAGREB on 12th and 13th of December.



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