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### Bicycle and Train Intermodality: Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna

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### **Location of the Regione Emilia-Romagna**











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# Bicycle and Train Intermodality: Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (1/7)

The bicycle interacts with train in different ways:

- Intermodality: reaching the railway station with own bike and there find a safe parking places and possibly repair facilities.
- Intermodality: I reach the station by train and then I can rent a bike if I am:
  - A commuter, therefore a frequent user of the station. It would be preferable the ticket/card/subscription to be used to rent the bike would grant access also to all the other Public Transport;
  - A tourist, therefore an occasional visitor. In this case it would be preferable the card /subscription could be valid for the same service / services also in other cities.
- Combined Bicycle- Train Transport (BTT): If I want to board my bike on train, I am in the position to start a trip where both passanger + good are included.







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### **Bicycle and Train Intermodality:**

#### Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (2/7)

### Intermodality: the regional plan for the urban bike sharing – "Mi Muovo in Bici"

The Regione Emilia-Romagna (RER) co-funds a regional project, active in 12 cities and involving 45 bicycle parkings, 800 bike racks and around 600 bicycles.







- The RER funds the project for purchasing the bicycles, the racks and the occupancy monitoring system. The involved cities will fund the installation and the management of the bike sharing spots.
- The Bike sharing spots are currently in development phase
- The Bike sharing raks' system is based on the same standard already deployed in Milano, Torino and other cities.







#### **Bicycle and Train Intermodality:**

#### Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (3/7)

#### Intermodality: the regional plan for the urban bike sharing -"Mi Muovo in Bici"

- A unique system for identification and payments for PT and bike sharing
  - The Mi Muovo project
  - Bus

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- Bus + train
- Bus+ train+bicycle
- The integrated tariff of the Regione Emilia-Romagna
- Support to commuters: more travel options
- For turists: avoid the registration process in all the Regione Emilia-Romagna cities; full integration of the bike sharing with PT (possibility to visit the city centre with the bike and get a bus to visit locations in the city sorroundings)









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### **Bicycle and Train Intermodality:**

Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (4/7)

#### **Bicycles parkings in Railway stations**

**A** matter of space:

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In the stations

Nearby the stations





❖ A metter of strenght: vertical racks...who lift the bike?







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### **Bicycle and Train Intermodality:**

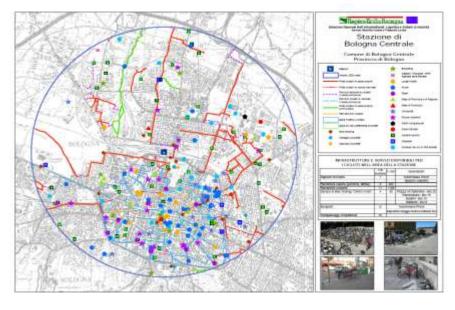
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#### Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (5/7)

**A matter of time**: parking near the station



The map of bicycles POIs around the stations: The Regional ATLAS for the train-bicycle intermodality



http://mobilita.regione.emilia-romagna.it/mobilita-sostenibile/sezioni/mobilita-ciclopedonale/atlante-digitale-regionale dell2019intermodalita-treno-bicicletta







#### Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (6/7)

#### Combined transport (with bicycle onboard)

#### A peculiar good:

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- Heavy / Bulky:
  - Large access doors and no steps in railcars: how far are we?
  - Space for 1 bike = space for 1 passanger
  - Bring the bike on a daily basis? Not on peak hour

#### Circulating on roads (dirty):

- Specific spaces, avoid the «co-habitation» with not cyclists
- Which need to move in stations:
  - Specific project to develop customised direction signals in 6 pilot stations
- Which should pay a (fair) ticket:
  - Days are different
  - Hours are different
- Which must be monitored /managed:
  - Booking in a simple and friendly way: tests carried out during the IRR pilots









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### **Bicycle and Train Intermodality:**

#### Recent activities of the Regione Emilia-Romagna (7/7)

Combined transport (with bicycle onboard)

Bicycle onboard: to go where?

#### To school / job:

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 If they are folding bikes they are not charged at all



#### To visit my region:

- Project for specific road signs in the regional natural parks
- The bicycles paths network crossing the railway regional network

#### To visit other regions and other countries: the need for clear information

- A simplified railway schedule to easily detect trains offering BTT services
- Provision of specific information on accessible tourist resources (e.g. bike path on the Poriver, bike paths connecting cities)







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## The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action

The European project Inter Regio Rail (IRR) aims at reinforcing the Regional Railway Transport (RRT) in the different countries of the "Central Europe" area (<a href="www.interregiorail.eu">www.interregiorail.eu</a>).

❖ The pilot action carried out by the Regione Emilia-Romagna in IRR, the focus was on the adaptation of an old railcar to test the users appreciation, the operational and the financial sustainability of a massive BTT service





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## The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action

In Summer 2011, in cooperation with TPER, FIAB and other local stakeholders, the Regione Emilia-Romagna launched an experimental BTT service on the Bondeno–Codigoro route to evaluate:

- The technical / operational feasibility of the service;
- The users appreciation;

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The financial sustainability of the new service

Capitalizing on the 2011 experience in Summer 2012, always thanks to the support of the IRR project and in cooperation with TPER and other local partners, the Regione Emilia-Romagna launched the service on three different routes.



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### The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The 2011 pilot route



Bondeno - Codigoro (September - October 2011): 5 days, 6 trips per day







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## The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The railcar (first restoration phase - 2011)



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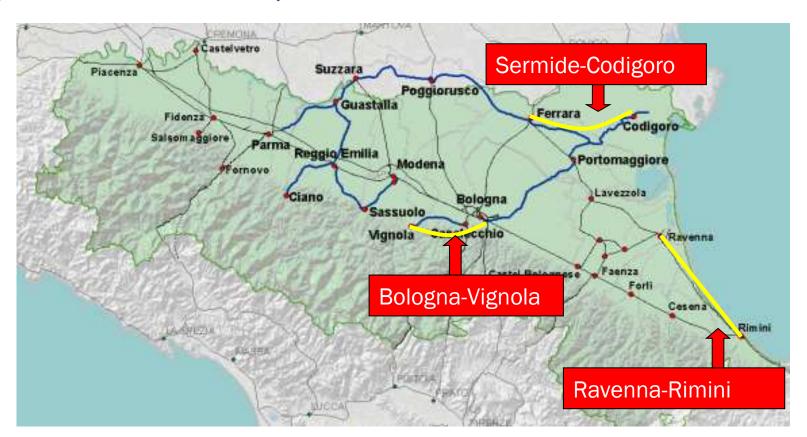




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### The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The 2012 pilot routes



- \* Bologna Vignola (May-June2012): 13 days, 10 trips per day
- \* Ravenna Rimini (July- August 2012): 40 days, 2 trips per giorno
- Sermide Codigoro (September- October 2012): 5 days, 6 trips per day



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# The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The railcar in 2012 (final restoration)







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# The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The railcar in 2012 (final restoration)









### The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The promotional activities



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## The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The BTT online booking system (on <a href="https://www.tper.it/bici">www.tper.it/bici</a>)





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Grazie alla collaborazione tra la Regione Emilia-Romagna e Tper anche nel 2012 è stato possibile programmare escursioni che prevedano, anche per gruppi, l'abbinamento treno-bici.

La carrozza porta bici, in questa sua **terza tappa** dell'estate 2012, dopo aver già servito le linee **Bologna-Vignola** e **Ferrara-Ravenna-Pesaro**, accoglierà infatti i bikers che vogliono conoscere le diverse località da Sermide alla provincia di Ferrara.

Un'ottima opportunità per viaggiare nella provincia di Ferrara, sulla tratta ferroviaria Sermide -Ferrara - Codigoro, portando con sé in treno la propria bicicletta, per poter esplorare un territorio

pieno di sorprese: **Bondeno**, la città estense con i suoi innumerevoli monumenti e le magnifiche mura, **Ostellato** fino a **Codigoro** e le affascinanti località del Parco del Delta del Po. Bellezze artistiche, oasi naturali, percorsi cicloturistici, escursioni in barca, eventi e molto altro si potrà scoprire lungo il percorso.

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Il treno ha la capienza per 50 biciclette e 150 passeggeri. Il trasporto bici è gratuito, ma è necessario avere il titolo di viaggio valido per la tratta di interesse, acquistabile contestualmente alla prenotazione. I gruppi di almeno 10 persone hanno uno sconto del 10% se acquistano il titolo di viaggio contestualmente alla prenotazione.

Per informazioni trenobici@tper.it



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# The Inter Regio Rail project and the Regione Emilia-Romagna pilot action: The data from users surveys (\*)

Frequency bicycle transport on train	
First time	30
More times per month	9
More times a year	12
Total	51

Easiness to access the railcar with the bicycle	
Good	19
Poor	4
Excellent	12
Sufficient	16
Total	51

Overall appreciation of the service	
Excellent	14
Good	27
Sufficient	9
Poor	1
Totale Risultato	51







#### The Inter Regio Rail project: development of the rolling stock



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#### From 2013:

•12 brand new EMU Stadler ETR 350 in Emilia-Romagna, each with 18 reversible racks for bikes.





adaptation of 20 EMU Ale 582/642 previously lacking of places for bikes.

By the end of year 2014, 90% of trips within RRT will be bikes accesible.





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### Thank you for your attention

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