



Memorandum of Understanding

between

Railway Infrastructure Managers and Allocation Bodies
of the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Hungary, Romania,
Bulgaria, Greece and Germany

establishing the Management Board of Rail Freight Corridor Orient / East-Med

“Bremerhaven / Wilhelmshaven / Rostock / Hamburg –
– Praha – Vienna / Bratislava – Budapest –
/ București – Constanța
/ Vidin – Sofia –
/ Burgas / Svilengrad (Bulgarian-Turkish border) /
/ Promachonas – Thessaloniki – Athína – Patras”

in accordance with Regulation (EU) 913/2010
as amended by Regulation (EU) 1316/2013

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

hereby establishing the Management Board of Rail Freight Corridor Orient /
East-Med (RFC OEM)
in accordance with Regulation (EU) 913/2010 as amended by Regulation (EU)
1316/2013

agreed between

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hereinafter: "Parties"

I. Establishment of the Management Board

Parties hereby establish the Management Board of Rail Freight Corridor Orient / East-Med (hereinafter: RFC OEM), formerly named Rail Freight Corridor 7, as defined in Regulation (EU) 913/2010. This Regulation was amended by Regulation (EU) 1316/2013 resulting in extending the RFC OEM to Germany in 2018 and in the subsequent inclusion of the German Rail Infrastructure Manager, DB Netz AG, into its Management Board.

The Management Board shall take its decisions, including its decisions regarding its legal status, the establishment of its organizational structure, resources and staffing, on the basis of mutual consent of its members.

Representatives of the Parties in the Management Board

Each Party is member of the Management Board and represented in the Management Board by a representative. In case of change of a representative the concerned Party shall inform every other Party in writing about the new representative, without the need to modify the present MoU.

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II. Background

- Having regard to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 913/2010 concerning a European rail network for competitive freight, entering into force on 9 November 2010 by the European Parliament and the Council on 22 September 2010 (hereinafter: RFC-Regulation);
- Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 to establish and develop RFC OEM resulting in extending the RFC OEM to Germany and the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010;
- Having regard to the intention to implement the European international rail freight corridors in a manner consistent with the European Railway Traffic Management System (ERTMS)

corridors, the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T) and the RailNetEurope (RNE), and to the necessity of the coordinated development of the networks;

- Having regard to the Memorandum of Understanding establishing the Executive Board of the RFC OEM signed on 5 December 2017 by ministers in charge of transport of the countries concerned;
- Having regard to the implementation of the technical specifications for interoperability relating to the Trans-European railway transport system;
- Having regard to the Common Declaration of the Infrastructure Managers of the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Hungary, Romania on the ETCS Corridor E “Dresden-Prague-Vienna/Bratislava-Budapest-Bucharest-Constanta” signed on 10 February 2010 and the intension to extend the Corridor E towards Bulgaria and Greece, as included in the MoU of the Executive Board;
- Acknowledging the importance of the RFC OEM railway axis facilitating the rail freight traffic, and significantly contributing to link the Northern area of Central Europe and Black Sea, Aegean Sea, Asia, as well as giving Central European countries an access to them;
- Having regard to the TEN-T Priority Project 22 (which is related to the RFC OEM), as a potential integration into the OEM RFC (according to Article 4, paragraph c) of Regulation (EU) 913/2010);

Members of the Management Board hereby certify their commitments as follows.

III. Definitions

For purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter: MoU), the terms not defined shall have the meaning provided in the RFC-Regulation.

IV. Activities

Specific activities covered under this MoU include, but are not limited to:

- Cooperation at a high level in order to fulfil the requirements and the aim of the RFC-Regulation;
- Involvement of all stakeholders to maximize the benefits of cooperation, including railway infrastructure companies concerned in the countries neighbouring the RFC OEM holding observer status;
- Defining the Internal Rules of Procedure of the Management Board that determines the organizational structure and the working and decision-making procedures of the Management Board;
- Defining in the Internal Rules of Procedure the procedures to involve into the Management Board activities the experience gained and the obligations undertaken in the ERTMS, TEN-T and RNE networks connected to the lines covered by the RFC OEM;
- Operating the Management Board as laid down in the RFC-Regulation;

- Setting up of the Advisory Groups as prescribed in the RFC-Regulation;
- Keeping active relation with the Executive Board and the Advisory Groups of the RFC OEM;
- Handling confidentially all information shared in the framework of the above described cooperation, and not to share it with a third party without approval of the members of the Management Board.

V. Deputy Representatives

In the absence of the representative of a given Party his or her deputy shall have the same rights in the Management Board. In case of change of a deputy representative the concerned Party shall inform every other Party in writing about the new deputy representative, without the need to modify the present MoU.

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VI. Duration of the MoU

The present MoU enters into force on the date when it is signed by every Signatory, and shall be effective for an undetermined period.

It will substitute the Memorandum of Understanding of RFC 7 of the 9th September 2011 of Rail Freight Corridor 7, which entered into force on 9 September 2011.

The MoU is governed by Hungarian law and may be modified any time by written agreement of the Parties.

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On behalf of SŽDC:

Date:

Signature:

On behalf of ŽSR:

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On behalf of MÁV:

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