### Dear Business Partner,

Please find attached Orient/East-Med Rail Freight Corridor newsletter of January 2023, which intends to provide you with a handful and fresh information regarding our latest developments, offers and services.

2022 was a very busy year with a lot of unexpected challenges! The war in Ukraine, the economic crisis and the continuous growth of the energy prices created a totally new environment for the transport sector as well as for the rail transport. In this new situation RFC Orient/East-Med continued to pursue its objectives and tried to support the rail freight sector in line with the ambitious goals of the European Commission to make rail transport more attractive, more sustainable and more resilient.

Based on your valuable input given on our meetings, direct consultations and thanks to the feedback received from the customer satisfaction survey as well as the capacity wishes survey we streamlined our offers to the market needs. The results can be found in the attached documents.

### Publication of Pre-arranged Path Catalogue for timetable 2024

We would like to invite you to take a look at our offer, published on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The main features of our product are:

- Pre-arranged routes based on the market's feedback
- ➤ Harmonized cross-border timetables
- > Flexibility between the borders
- > Protected from unilateral modifications
- ➤ Allocated exclusively by the Corridor One-Stop Shop (C-OSS)
- > Common harmonized offer on overlapping sections with RFCs "North Sea Baltic" "Rhine-Danube" and "Amber"

Our path products can be ordered in <u>RNE Path Coordination System (PCS)</u> – an exclusive booking tool for the Rail Freight Corridors.

For more details, please review our PaP Catalogue, which is available on our website: <a href="https://www.rfc7.eu/path-request-submisson">https://www.rfc7.eu/path-request-submisson</a>.

## Information about planned capacity restrictions

To support your traffic planning we also share you the latest information about major capacity restrictions, line closures, and alternative route options along the Corridor. We hope this information package will better serve your planning! More details can be found on our website: https://www.rfc7.eu/track-possessions.

# **PCS Trainings 2023**

The Rail Freight Corridors, in close cooperation with RNE (Rail Net Europe), are pleased to provide you a number of online and physical PCS trainings scheduled in February (see attached invitation letter). Our trainings focus on the corridor specific functions in PCS, and provide you with valuable, practical insights needed for requesting Capacity on the Rail Freight Corridors for timetable 2024.

## Would you like to consult?

Please feel free to contact your C-OSS Manager, who is at your disposal to present you personally the Orient/East-Med Corridor offer and procedures.

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