Biscay Line - Multiple port Finland-Estonia-Belgium-Spain long distance MoS, relevant to many core network corridors

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Horizontal Priority

Multi-Annual Call
Funding Objective 3

Member State(s) involved:
Belgium, Spain, Finland

(Coordinating) Applicant:
Finnlines plc

Implementation schedule:
Start date: January 2014
End date: December 2016

Requested funding:

Total eligible costs:	€15 873 513
Requested funding:	€4 782 054
Requested EU support:	30.13%

Recommended funding:

Recommended total eligible costs:	€15 773 513
Recommended funding:	€4 732 054
Recommended EU support:	30.00%

Source: INEA

As of January 2015, a new regulation entered into force limiting sulphur emissions from ships in the Sulphur Emission Control Area to 0.1 %. The action aims to successfully equip three RoRo ships with hybrid ready wet scrubber systems and validate their environmental performance. Impacting the Scandinavian - Mediterranean, North Sea - Baltic, North Sea - Mediterranean, Rhine - Alpine and Atlantic corridors, the Action will contribute to the Global Project whose objective is to ensure sustainability of long distance MoS routes. The following activities will be implemented: abatement technology installation on 3 RoRo ships; energy efficiency measures; terminal upgrade: port of Antwerp; port system improvement: port of Antwerp; upgrade of RoRo ramp in Port of Bilbao; handling equipment: port of Bilbao; ex-post pollution assessment; management and dissemination. In the long term, the Action will contribute to ensure efficient freight transport in high populated and industrialised areas.

Evaluation Remarks

The relevance of the Action is good as it contributes to the priorities and objectives of TEN-T and CEF for improving sustainability of maritime transport. The Action is very mature as it has already started. The impact of the Action is good as it will have positive effects on the environment by reducing sulphur emissions. The quality of the application is good with activities well described.