



# CORE NETWORK CORRIDORS OF THE TRANS-EUROPEAN TRANSPORT NETWORK (TEN-T)

## Indicative Extension of the Core Network Corridors in the Western Balkans

### EXTENDING THE TRANS-EUROPEAN TRANSPORT NETWORK (TEN-T)

The vision for Trans-European Transport Networks (TEN-T) reflect that rail, road, air and sea transport links are seen as key drivers not just for closer integration between Member States and their peoples, but also for increasing economic competitiveness.

The TEN-T has two layers: the “core network”, which carries the most important passenger and goods flows; and the “comprehensive network”, which ensures access to the core network. The “core network corridors” facilitate the development of the core network.

In June 2015, WB6 Transport Ministers met with EU Transport Commissioner, Violeta Bulc, at the TEN-T Days in Riga, and tentatively identified three core network corridors to be extended for the Western Balkans as well as priority projects along sections of these corridors for possible EU funding over the next six years.

Extending the core network corridors to the Western Balkans ensures closer integration with the EU as well as the basis for leveraging investment in infrastructure, such as EU support through the Western Balkans Investment Framework and the Connecting Europe Facility.

The core network corridors, once completed, will provide quality transport services for citizens and businesses, with seamless integration within the region as well as with the EU. The priority projects will help remove bottlenecks, promote interoperability, and build missing cross-border connections.

### MEDITERRANEAN CORRIDOR – PRE-IDENTIFIED PROJECTS

Rijeka – Zagreb – Belgrade/Sarajevo – Ploce || Rijeka – Ploce – Bar – Tirana/Dürres – Igoumenitsa

Croatia/Montenegro border – Bar – Montenegro/Albania border – Lezhe – Albania/Greece border	Road	Studies (feasibility study, detail design, EIA) and works.
Albania/Montenegro border – Lezhe – Tirana – Albania/Greece border	Road	Studies and works for sections Thumane – Kashar/Vore, Lezhe bypass and Tirana bypass. Studies ongoing, works needed on Tepelena bypass.
Croatia/Bosnia and Herzegovina border – Sarajevo – Ploce	Road	Works for the following sections: Odžak – Svilaj, border crossing and cross-border bridge Svilaj over Sava River; Odžak – Vukosavlje – Podnovlje – Rudanka – Doboj south; Tarčin-Konjic; Mostar North – Počitelj.
Bosanski Šamac/Šamac – Sarajevo	Rail	Works for the section Sarajevo – Podlugovi (BA).
Sarajevo Airport	Airport	Works for increasing operational capacity.

### OTHER SECTIONS ON THE CORE NETWORK – PRE-IDENTIFIED PROJECTS

Croatia/Bosnia and Herzegovina border – Gradiška – Banja Luka – Travnik	Road	Works for border crossing and cross-border bridge Gradiška over Sava River.
Niš – Dimitrovgrad – Serbia/Bulgaria border	Rail	Works for section Prosek – Staničenje – Dimitrovgrad. Studies and works for electrification and upgrading of signalling of section Niš – Dimitrovgrad. Studies for bypass Niš.
Kičevo – Gostivar	Road	Works for construction of motorway.

## ORIENT / EAST-MED CORRIDOR – PRE-IDENTIFIED PROJECTS

Budapest – Belgrade – Podgorica – Bar || Belgrade – Niš – Kumanovo / Pristina – Skopje – Thessaloniki

Belgrade – Novi Sad – Serbia/Hungary border	Rail	Studies and works for reconstruction and modernization of the existing line and construction of second track from Novi Sad to the border with Hungary.
Belgrade – Niš	Rail	Studies and works for reconstruction and modernization of existing line and construction of the second track on the section Stalać – Djunis.
Belgrade node	Road	Works for completion of Belgrade by-pass section Strazevica – Bubanj Potok.
Niš – Pristina	Road	Studies and works for reconstruction of the road Niš – Pristina.
Pristina – Kosovo*/the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia border	Road	Works for motorway construction.
Serbia/the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia border	Rail	Construction of the joint border station (Tabanovce).
Beljakovce – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia/Bulgaria border	Rail	Works for section Beljakovce to Kriva Palanka. Studies ongoing, works for construction of section Kriva Palanka border with Bulgaria.
Rankovce – Kriva Palanka – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia/Bulgaria border	Road	Studies ongoing, works for sections Rankovce – Kriva Palanka. Studies and works for section Kriva Palanka – Deve Bair (border with Bulgaria).
Belgrade – (Vrbnica) – Bar	Rail	Works needed for upgrading of existing line (overhaul of superstructure, tunnels, bridges, signalization) of the section Vrbnica (Serbia/Montenegro border) – Bar (Montenegro)
Kraljevo – Pristina – Gorce Petrov	Rail	Works for section Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje - Border Station with the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Studies and works for section Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje – Leshak.
Belgrade – Bar	Road	Studies (preliminary design, detail design and EIA) and works for the section Mateševo-Andrijevića. Studies (preliminary design, detail design and EIA) for by-pass Podgorica (Capital – Smokovac – Farmaci).

## RHINE/DANUBE CORRIDOR – PRE-IDENTIFIED PROJECTS

Vukovar – Novi Sad – Belgrade – Drobeta-Turnu Severin/Brčko – Sisak

Sava	IWW	Studies and works for rehabilitation of the Sava River Waterway (Sisak – Brčko – Belgrade).
Sava	IWW	Works for demining of the Sava River right bank from the confluence of Drina River to the confluence of Una River.
Port of Brčko	Riverport	Reconstruction and upgrading of functional facilities in the Port of Brčko.
Danube	IWW	Studies and works for river training and dredging works on critical sectors of the Serbia/Hungary joint stretch.
Danube	IWW	Works for river training and dredging works on 6 critical sectors on the Danube River including supervision and environmental monitoring of works between Bačka Palanka and Belgrade.

\*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.