

CONFERENCE ON THE MEDITERRANEAN CORRIDOR CONTEXT

Approved the new framework of the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T), new prospects for its promotion and monitoring are established through cooperation between regions and member states.

Regarding the Mediterranean region, efforts will be focussed in planning, management and implementation of the Mediterranean Corridor through the planned development of transport infrastructure and its logistic support system.

In order to shape this multimodal TEN-T corridor added to the core network, the Mediterranean regions set out their needs for transport infrastructure and modal connections to ports and main logistics and production areas, to the European Union and the Member States, from interoperability and integration of the transport systems.

It is now when the different projects, generically included in the characterization of the corridor, can be specified in a common development strategy looking for synergies and coordination with the States in planning and governance proposed in the TEN-T, using the available funds in a coherent way.

In Spain the Mediterranean corridor, is one of the main assets for the development of a continental shelf of transport and logistics, given its socioeconomic importance and geostrategic position.

In this regard the Ministry of Development is going to run in the short-term, the project of implementation of standard gauge in the Rail Corridor between Barcelona and Cartagena, as well as connections with the Mediterranean ports and the main logistics and industrial hubs.

But it is necessary to prepare the next actions of the Corridor, addressing the specific needs of different regions of the Spanish section, and in any case facing the extension of the Corridor from Murcia to Algeciras, in a major territorial rebalance action in peripheral regions of the EU, which will provide a greater potential to the whole Corridor.

Therefore this Conference, organized in the framework of the Intermediterranean Commission Transport Working Group, is a first step for sharing views of different regions in the development of the Mediterranean Corridor, and will allow to establish points in commun for the implementation of infrastructure and the provision of a structured logistics system of the corridor in the environment of governance set up by the TEN-T and in coordination with the Member States.

Monday 27 January 2014

Meeting Room DGUE

IMC TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP MEETING

16:00 Opening. Carmen Sandoval, Director General of EU and External Relations CARM

16:15 TEN-T. Prospects for Mediterranean regions

16:30 Rating by member regions

17:00 Proposals for the Action Plan Development: distribution of activities and tasks. Timing

18:00 Conclusions and end of the works

Tuesday 28 January 2014

Salón de Actos Palacio San Esteban

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09:00 Arrival of participants and Opening Session. D. Ramon Luis Valcarcel Siso, President of the Region of Murcia, D. Luis de Grandes, MEP (tbc) and D. Antonio Sevilla, Regional Minister for Public Works and planning CARM

09:15 FIRST SESSION - TEN-T AND THE IMPORTANCE OF MULTIMODAL CORRIDORS. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND GOVERNANCE

A new Trans-European Transport Network to strengthen a competitive internal market in the context of sustainability and integration of the European territory. Program development. *Carlo de Grandis, DG MOVE, European Commission*

The Mediterranean corridor, an integrated infrastructure and logistics strategy. *Carlos Eleno, Director General of Transport and Logistics of the Generalitat Valenciana*

The importance of the Mediterranean Corridor in accessibility and mobility passenger and freight in the Mediterranean Region. *Saki Aciman, International Cooperation Resp., Secretary of Infrastructures and Mobility, Generalitat de Catalunya*

The point of view of the regions. *Presented by the representatives of the regions of Aragon, Catalonia, Tuscany, Valencia and Murcia*

Debate. Moderator: Antonio Sánchez-Solís, Director General for Transport CARM

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 SECOND SESSION - THE IMPORTANCE OF MEDITERRANEAN CORRIDOR IN THE SPANISH LOGISTICS CONTINENTAL SHELF

Overview of structure and planning of actions in transport and logistics for the development of the Spanish section of the Corridor. *Manuel Niño González, General Secretary for Infrastructure, Ministry of Development*

Interoperability and intermodality in the Corridor. Required infrastructure and short-term connections. *Carlos Eleno, Director General for Transport and logistics of the Generalitat Valenciana*

The project to implement standard gauge in the Mediterranean Railway Corridor. *Miguel Pozo de Castro, Director General of DG Railways.*

The Corridor in the Region of Murcia. Infrastructures and Services. Murcia Intermodal Logistics Platform. *Antonio Sánchez-Solís, Director General for Transport of the CARM*

Priority and completeness of the Mediterranean Corridor. *Joan Amoros General Secretary of FERRMED*

Towards a framework port in the Mediterranean. The Port of Cartagena and the Mediterranean Corridor. *Adian A. Viudes, President of the Port Authority*

The point of view of infrastructure managers, operators and shippers in the Region of Murcia. *Luís Vicente Moreno Espí, Director of ADIF-logística, Rafael Fuertes Fernández, Director ofl Grupo Fuentes y Fernando Gómez Molina, Director General of Proexport ADIF*

Debate. Moderator: Carmen Sandoval, Director General of the EU and Foreign Affairs of the CARM.

18:00 **Conclusions and Closing Ceremony.**

D. Antonio Sevilla, Regional Minister for Public Works and planning CARM