



“Navigability – a key issue in the European Union Strategy for the Danube Region”

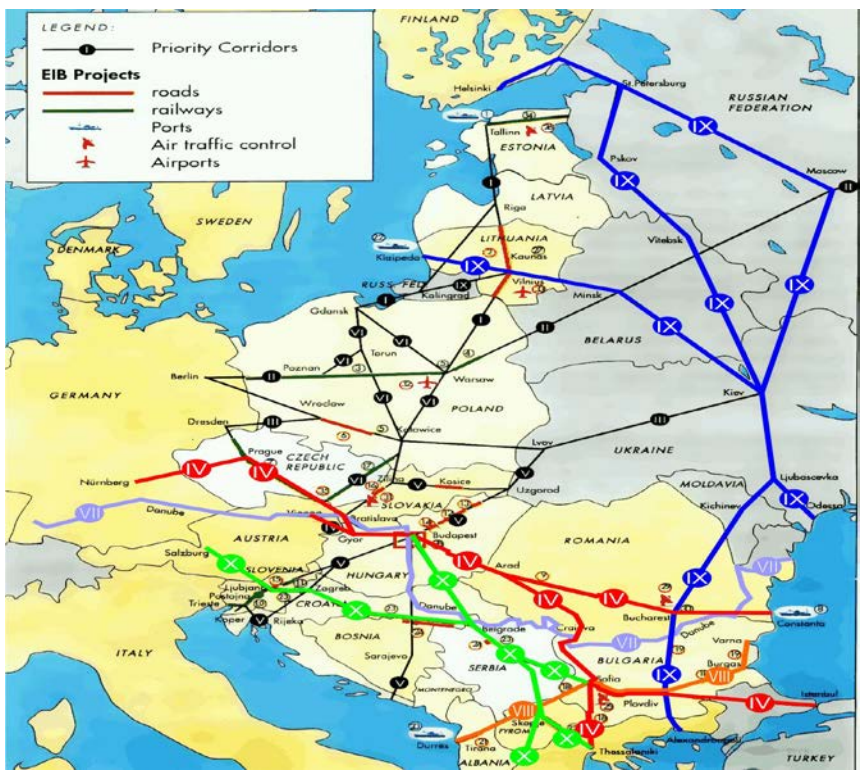


**Third meeting of the Steering group of PA 1A – Inland waterway
Bratislava 3-4 May 2012**



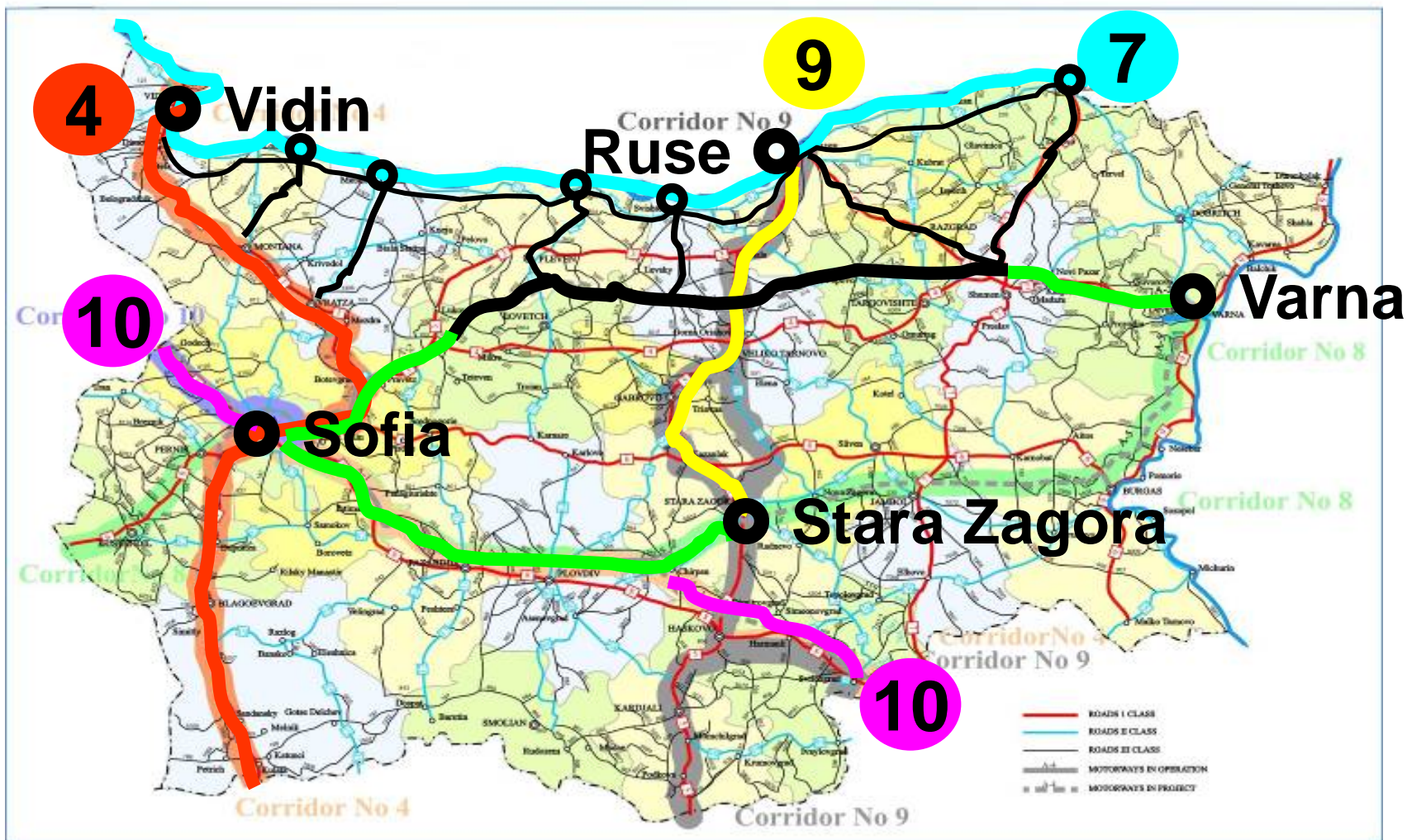
Bulgarian vision in the framework of Priority area 1A – reaching the target “Increase the cargo transport on the river by 20% by 2020 “

- This vision has been integrated into complex projects on trans-European transport corridors - № 7, № 4, № 10 and №9
- 5 Trans European corridors cross Bulgaria



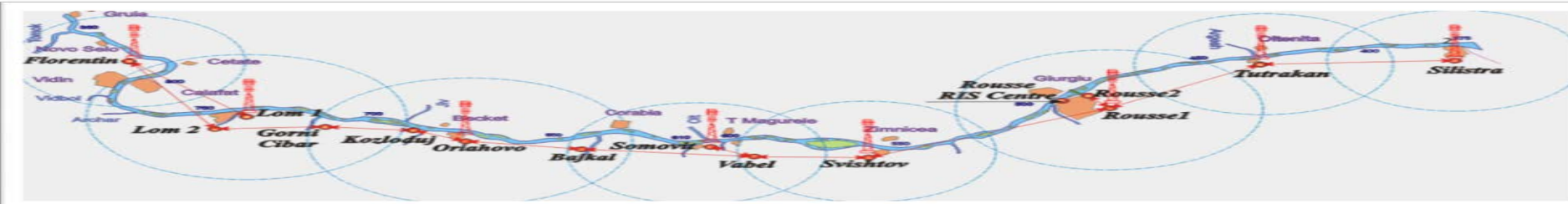


Connectivity





Bulgarian actions on (TEN-T priority project № 18 - Waterway axis Rhine/Meuse-Main-Danube)



- *Improving navigability in the common Bulgarian-Romanian section of the Danube River*
- *Establishment of River Information Services System in the Bulgarian part of Danube River (BulRIS)*
- *„IRIS Europe II-2008-EU-700000-S” – TEN-T Project*
- *Improvement of the Systems for Navigation and Topo-hydrographic measurements on the Danube River*
- *Danube WATER integrated management (WATER)*



Example for a project:

“ Development of Pan European corridor VII through improvement of the navigability on the Romanian – Bulgarian common sector of the Danube river, modernization of the port infrastructure, promotion of the intermodal transport, surrounding infrastructure and development of the information systems using Connecting Europe Facility”



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone №1: Identify the possible common interventions for implementation of the projects

- **Work:** To identify the possible common interventions and start discussion to organize the strategy for their implementation. Short- term – till 2020, mid term – till 2030; long-term – till 2050
- **Possible actions:**
 - **Interministerial committee to be set up between the Countries involved – possible September 2012 (Bulgaria and Romania)**
 - **Both countries to indentify a project list with the possible projects to be developed according to their readiness as list of projects to be prepared and implemented till 2020; till 2030; till 2050 – deadline April 2012 :**
 - *possible project actions:*
 - *Improvement of the navigability of the Danube River;*
 - *Upgrading, modernization and development of port infrastructure*
 - *Construction of Intermodal Terminals;*
 - *Construction, reconstruction and modernization of ferry links;*
 - *Construction of new bridges (Oriahovo- Beket; Silistra- Kalarash) and upgrading the existing bridge over the Danube River;*



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone N°1: Identify the possible common

interventions for implementation of the projects(2)

- **The projects to be submitted to the PACs of Priority Area 1.a. and 1.b. and discussed during the next Steering Group meeting (1.a. 3-4 of May)**
- **Letter of recommendation to be issued for the projects – possible deadline June 2012**
- **The projects to be included by each country in their National Strategies (National Strategic Framework and/or partnership agreements) or the National Operational Programmes for the next programming period**
- **Working groups to be set up between the Countries for the preparation of identified concrete project proposal – deadline July 2012;**
- **Present the project to all possible stakeholders**
- **Responsible: Romania and Bulgaria through the Interministerial Committee**



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone N^o2: Identify the funding

- **Work:** To use the newly proposed financial instrument Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) for financing the project as Danube is a core network and Pan European corridor 7 (The CEF regulation is under discussion)
- Identify other sources of funding for those activities not eligible under CEF
- Analysis of the current situation and an estimated draft budget line to be prepared
- DG Move (TEN-T EA) – annual call for proposals 2011 to be considered
 - The budget for this Call is *€200 million under five specific priorities.*
- TA from different sector programs in the Countries involved for preparation of some concrete parts
- Responsible: national authorities responsible for projects implementation from Romania and Bulgaria which will report to the Interministerial Committee



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone N°3: Prepare the project and identify the lots

- **Work: Both countries will identify projects to be developed. To be based on the existing plans such as the proposed revised TEN-T guidelines. List of possible projects to be prepared and evaluated within the Interministerial committee. A common feasibility study is needed at least for the cross border sections**
- *Possible actions for each identified concrete lot:*
 - *Identification of incomplete/obsolete areas*
 - *Preliminary studies*
 - *Feasibility studies*
 - *Additional analysis if required*
 - *Completion of option analysis description*
 - *Determination of unit costs/benefits*
 - *Incremental CBA*
 - *Sensitivity and risk analysis*
 - *SEA study if the case*
 - *EIA study*
 - *Preliminary design if not yet done*
 - *Design review*
 - *Preparation of EIA summary if necessary (Project Environmental Information report)*
 - *Preparation of financing application*



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone N°3: Prepare the project and identify the lots (2)

- **Funding: TA from the TEN-T regulation for DC or TA from OP “Transport”**
- **Deadline for the preparation of the identified concrete priority actions, that are going to be implemented till 2020 – 2012-2014**
- **Responsible: national authorities responsible for projects implementation from Romania and Bulgaria which will report to the Interministerial Committee**



ROADMAP FOR AN ACTION

Milestone N°4: Project implementation

- **Work:** To be discussed how the procurement schedule will be established. **Possible Actions:**
 - *Procurement schedule*
 - *Preparation of tender dossier*
 - *Tendering and contracting*
 - *Contract management (incl claims and variations)*
 - *Financial monitoring*
 - *Supervision*
 - *Take over, project closure*

- **Funding:** CEF/OP
- **Deadline for the identified concrete priority actions, that are going to be implemented till 2020 - 2012-2020**
- **Responsible:** national authorities responsible for projects implementation from Romania and Bulgaria which will report to the Interministerial Committee



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Thank you for your kind attention!

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