



# New opportunities for TER project

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## Good ideas for the future

- Modernisation of infrastructure for boosting the future and to make railway "fashionable"
  - Increase capacity + implement new technologies (HST)
  - Get ONE STANDARD (AGC, AGTC, TSIs)
  - Diferent starting horizonts
    - 1980 West European Countries
    - 1990 Central Europe and SE Europe
- Aim to gain good infrastructure for united Europe (reaction on EU enlargement process)
- Speed up passenger transport & reliability of freight transport



## **Previous situation**



#### Up to 2000:

 Regular international railway connection between important cities and tourist regions



- From seltected premium services to the affordable network
- Integrarion in the national systems of long-distance trains + offer of direct international connections
- Examples:

<u>Day-trains</u>: Vienna – Paris, Vienna – Rome, Ljubljana – Venezia, Prague – Zuerich, Milano – Dortmund, Prague – Dortmund, Prague – Krakow, ...

<u>Night-trains</u>: Prague – Venezia, Vienna – Ancona, Budapest – Venezia, Budapest – Bucuresti, ...



## And now?

- Modernisation of infrastructure in progress
- Good infrastructure parameters accross EU (by 2020)
- Liberalisation of international services

#### BUT

- Many international connections have been cancelled as nonprofitable
- Absence of vehicles for international operation
- Quality downturn (low attention to conventional rail vehicles)
  no dining cars, air-conditioning etc.

#### **RESULT:**

 Worse international connection despite better infrastructure and liberalisation – especially in CEE-countries





## **Implications**

- Decrease of international mobility on rail vs.
  Increase of general mobility
- Low benefit from EU invested money for European mobility (Tarvisio, Lichkov!!!)
- CBA for many projects has not positive results
- Possible problem for future cofinancing
- Infrastructure planning without operational planning – loosing money, loosing customers



## Possible role of TER

- TER is unique platform of CEE and Asian countries
- It is possible to prepare common "regional opinion" for future discussion with European Commission
- Our regional needs in railway sector are specific and EU needs information about it
- Important interface with interoperability and TEN-T revision as well as with future cohesion policy





## Our proposal

- To prepare a study about past, present and future international railway connection in our region
- To propose possibilities for changes
- To recommend financial instruments
- Cooperation in all sector is necessary
- This study will be a basis for future discussion with European Commission





## Our target

- To find solution for possibilities of operational support for European mobility
- To prevent situation occured between e.g.
  Austria and Italy
- Continuation TER Master Plan in field of passenger railway operation
- Find a way to "live railway"





## Thank you for attention



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