



**Cross border cooperation:  
Towards a new governance  
*Through an*  
integrated transport system:  
The case of Adria A project**

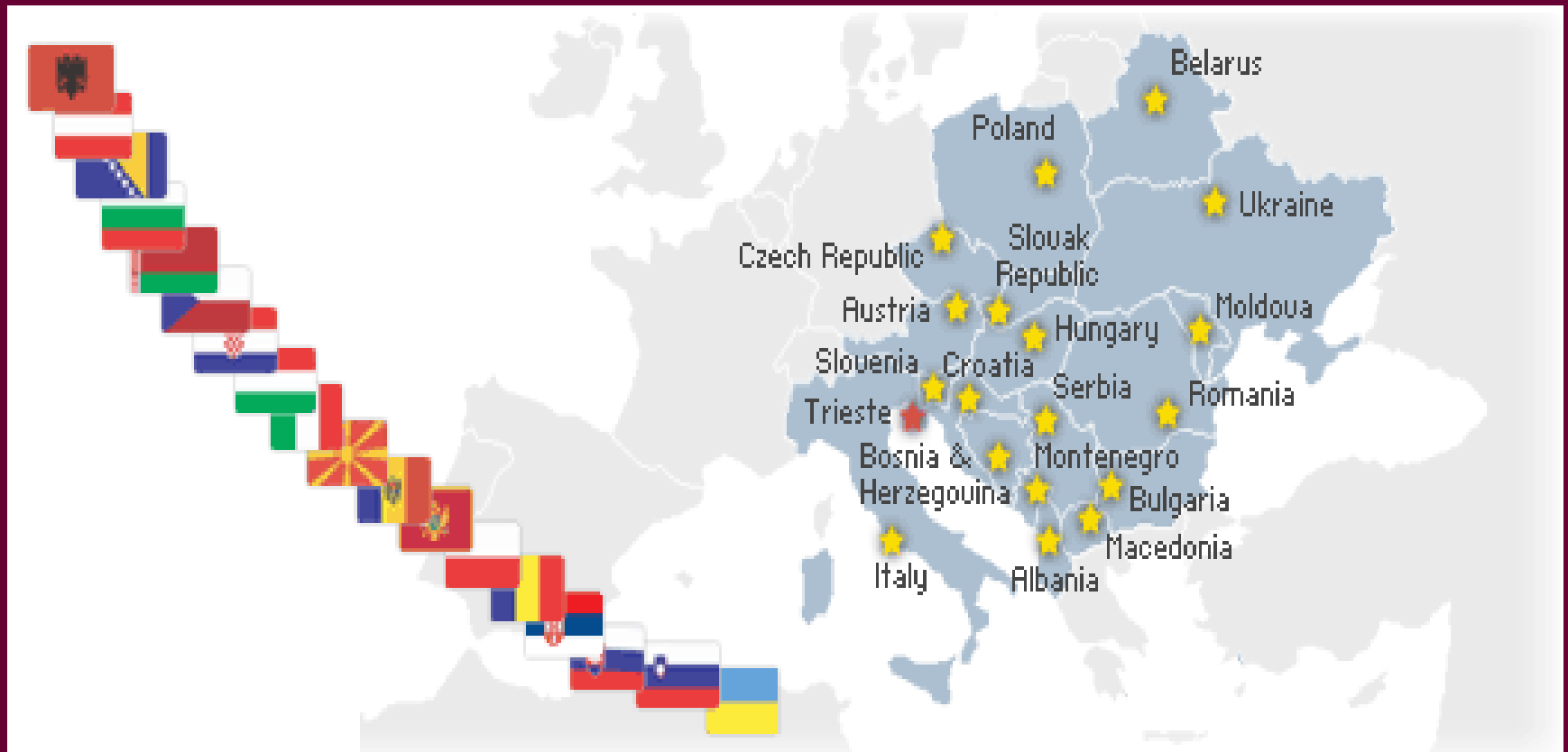
**Adria-A:**

**Accessibility and Development for the Re-launch of the Inner Adriatic Area  
Project Idea**

**INTERREG CBC – Italy- Slovenia – 1th Call strategic project**

**Priority 1**

**The Central European Initiative (CEI) is an International forum of 18 member states, based in Trieste. It was established in Budapest on 11 November 1989 by Austria, Italy, Hungary and ex-Yugoslavia as the first forum promoting regional cooperation among the countries of Central and Eastern Europe**



**CEI and a large number of institutions launched  
the Adria-A Project  
in the framework of Italy-Slovenia Interreg programme 2007-  
2013:**

**a case for knowledge transfer to Cross border partners:**

**Area **Context:****

**Missing links (infrastructure) in cross border area.**

**Peripheral transport system (Italian and Slovenian)**

**Lack of national investments.**

**Over all **Objectives****

**Improve cross border infrastructures**

**Create common structure to identify possible new cross  
border services**

**Attract investments in cross border area.**

# Adria a: a pilot project for better governance and

## Add Value

### 1) Governance

(Multi level approach- decision taken by a permanent forum composed by all project partners)

### focus on :

Focus on modal shift (road to rail) and public rail transportation

### 2) Wide partnership

(Ministerial, regional, International , local)

### 3) EGCT

(Common international structure to manage cross border needs, problems, Eu fund requests etc)

# Adria a Context: Italian-Slovenian programme area



# Specific cross border Objectives

- **Development of an Integrated transport system through a Light Train between cities like Gorizia, Nova Gorica, Sesana, Divaca, Koper, Trieste.**
- **Creation of a transport network among participating cities, regions ( Veneto and Friuli VG), ports, operators, associations through the establishment of new market oriented transport services able to launch a tourist promotion of the integrated cross-border area.**
- **Creation of a Common cross-border body under EU law on European Group of Territorial Co-operation: The first EGCT created in Italy on Italian territory**
- **Strategic studies and Analysis of demand for shuttle trains connecting cross-border and programme area cities, airports and ports, so as to facilitate attainment of transport and economic objectives (also in light of potential tourist market opportunities), while pursuing regional development and modal shift objectives**
- **Development of policy recommendations and medium term investment road map so as to promote intermodal passengers transport and to integrate with inland transport**

# Basis for the cross-border cooperation

- **Development of co-operation mechanisms**
- **Promotion of a balanced development**
  - Between trans-national, national and regional networks
  - of rail, air, road
- **Promotion of inter-modality and modal shift towards environmentally sustainable transport modes**
- **Assessment of existing bottlenecks for cities and regional development, in particular with relation to cross border traffic through focusing on the rapid project advancement of relevant missing links which require a small-medium grade of public investment.**
- **Promotion of dialogue and co-operation to deepen the understanding of actual processes and the set-up of management and policy solution**
- **This includes measures in the field of enterprise orientation and creation as an important factor for development of regional and transnational logistic chains and systems.**

# An optimum socio-economic cycle

- A metropolitan forum, established through the project, will decide investment in missing links of the rail network like the case of Gorizia and Nova Gorica and Trieste and Koper.
- An *ad hoc* Forum will take into consideration and promote transport demand analysis and mutually be informed about town and regional spatial plans, investment plans, new industrial area etc.
- investment on shared priorities will generate synergies in transport system and foster economic activities



## Governance

- **CEI promoted the first European Group of territorial co-operation to be established in Italy (Gorizia) thanks to Adria a project. According to EU regulation 1082/2006.**
- **The members are: the Municipality of Gorizia, Nova Gorica (Slo) and St Peter Vrtojba /Slo). National laws are It L.88 of 7/7/09 and Slo L.31 of 28/3/2008**
- **The focus of the EGCT is Coordinating transport investment in the local area and establish an integrated metropolitan system with other and cities and logistic centres**

## EGCT Specific Objectives

- **Common investments on rail and road cross-border section**
- **Common management of inter-modal centres (interport)**
- **Public transport**
- **Energy, including renewable energies**
- **Common energy city plan**  
and

**Common management of EU funded project like cross-border cooperation project**

- **Participation in the National-Eu debate on the future of structural funds 2013-2020 at national and Eu level.**

**Activities/Actions**

## **Adria-a: sustainable model**

**Governance-  
Metropolitan areas  
&  
transport and  
tourism forum**

- 1. Participate in the Steering committee of the regional and city leaders**
- 2. Co-ordinate the planning transportation network strategy.**
- 3. Make Common investment proposals and joint PPP strategy.**
- 4. Issue a joint action transportation network strategy**
- 5. Promote Joint activities to lessen accessibility problems transportation network strategy**
- 6. Increase mobility on environmental friendly modes of transport**

**Activities/Actions**

***This approach can be used to adopt a co-operative methodology for avoiding lack of governance and can generate co-operation in a:***

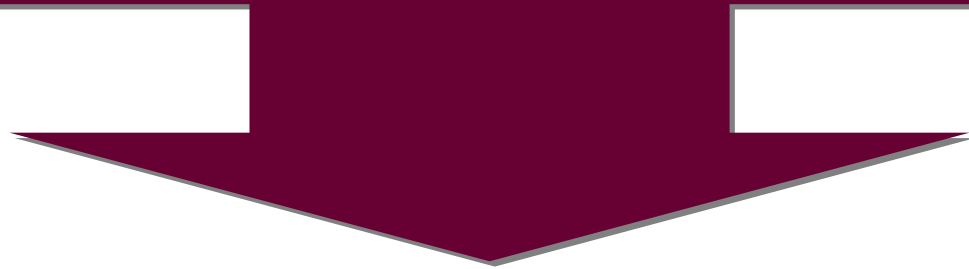
- **Joint Social-economic analysis with special regard to the identified cities network.**
- **Common Development of a rail operation model for the identified metropolitan area.**
- **Shared Analysis of Infrastructure capacity utilisation levels.**
- **Identification of critical bottlenecks.**
- **Creation of Integrated Scenarios and Solutions that can be funded by different institutional level .**

**Activities/Actions**

# **Adria-a: Some specific results that can be used in other areas**

- 1. Nova Gorica-Gorizia: technical and transport study (Gorizia loop): direct connection from Nova Gorica to Ronchi necessary to gain time and connect this area with the core of the metropolitan area.**
- 2. Nova Gorica-Sesana: electrification preliminary project: Now missing: necessary to make possible metro in Slovenian area**
- 3. Investment plan and cost benefit analysis on cross border area**
- 4. Divača : extension of rail metropolitan area**
- 5. Opicina-Sežana -Divaca: Rail operational model for new rail services**
- 6. Nova-Gorica-Gorizia-Ronchi-Trieste-Opicina-Sežana-Divača- Koper,: rail preliminary project and rail exercise model**
- 7. Tourism promotion of the metropolitan area: one promotion event in each city: new bus services.**
- 8. Shuttle Train for tourism events: Folklore festival, barcolana, ecc.**
- 9. Padova-Mestre-Venice Marco polo- Ronchi airport- Potorož ariport- (Lubiana airport) action plan (exchange of information)**
- 10. Critical mass of the cities concerned to apply for Eu funding opportunities**

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