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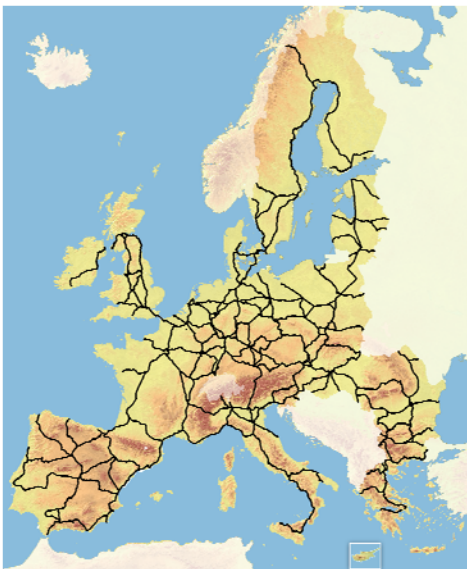
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## The Baltic-Adriatic Axis – Part of the TEN-T Core Network



The Baltic-Adriatic Axis

"From a Patchwork to a Network" –  
the TEN-T Core Network

The Baltic-Adriatic Axis now officially is intended as a future part of the TEN-T Core Network following the "Proposal for a Regulation on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network" published by the European Commission.

The Baltic –Adriatic Axis was announced in the list of pre-identified projects on the core network in the field of Transport on October 19<sup>th</sup> 2011 by the European Commission.

Mainly objectives of the new core network will be the removal of existing bottlenecks as well as the upgrade of infrastructure and streamline cross border transport operations

Furthermore it will improve connections between different modes of transport and contribute to the climate change objectives of the European Union.

The backbone of the Core Network provides ten transnational, high-performance rail corridors and will be finalised until 2030.

Main objective of the Core Network is to create a genuine real European Network in order to link the major social and economic centres and gateways to third countries (ports, airports and land connections) and to put in place the keep infrastructure necessary to underpin the Single Market, support competitiveness and economic development.

Therefore the announcement in the proposal of the European Commission is a milestone for the further project development and a huge motivation for the involved Project Partners to maintain the good work on the project.

### **TEN-T Core Network**

The core network will connect:

- 83 main European ports with rail and road links
- 37 key airports with rail connections into major cities
- 15,000 km of railway line upgraded to high speed lines
- 35 cross-border projects to reduce bottlenecks

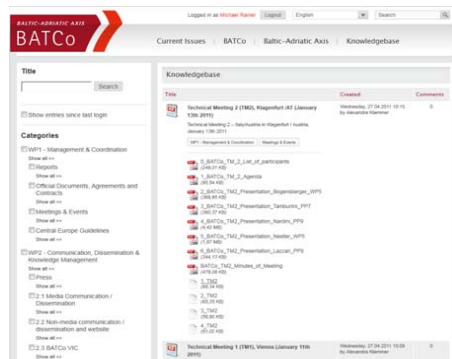
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## BATCo Website and Knowledge Management System



In frame of the project a website including a knowledge management system was developed, in order to update the public sector about the newest information of the Baltic-Adriatic Axis.

Additionally all reports regarding the development of the project and meetings with the project partners including the minutes of meeting, list of participants and the presentations are uploaded continuously as well.



The website contains all sorts of information and the latest developments of the project. Furthermore the actual news are permanently updated to give a short overview what is going on besides the project.

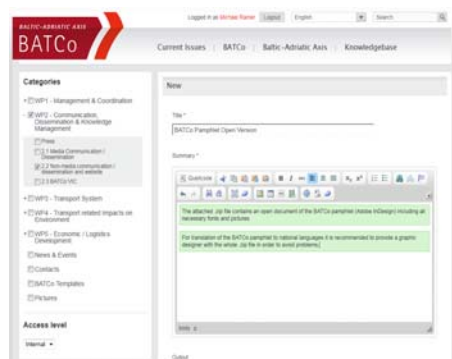
### News and Events

All events concerning the Baltic-Adriatic Axis are included in this category, like stakeholder workshops, regional events and press conferences.

All major project-related documents for all work packages will be recorded in the knowledge management system.

### Contacts

The knowledge management system has a huge data base of contact details of all persons, which are involved in the project.



The knowledge management has different kinds of categories, which were subdivided in all 5 work packages as well as in news and events, contacts pictures and templates.

### Templates

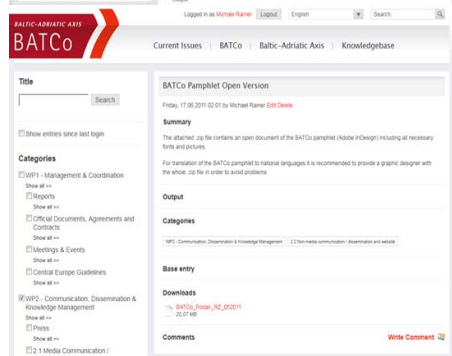
All users of the knowledge management system are authorized to download the whole BATCo templates from the website, in order to prepare their meetings, events and so on in the BATCo template.

### Work Packages

In this category are all relevant documents concerning the five work packages, management and coordination, communication and dissemination, transport model, transport related impacts on the environment and economic / logistic development.

### Training Session

A training session for the project partners was organised and presented by the Lead Partner in the frame of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Consortium Meeting in June 2011 in Rome.



These 5 work packages were classified in sub-assembly groups like reports, meeting and events, Central Europe guidelines, media communication, transport system, business cooperation alliance and so on, in order to remain focus on the huge knowledge management data base.

**For further information visit:**

[www.baltic-adriatic.eu](http://www.baltic-adriatic.eu)

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## BATCo Consortium and Technical Meetings

### BATCo Consortium Meetings

The 1st Consortium Meeting took place from November 8th until 10<sup>th</sup> 2010 in Krakow / Poland and was organized by project partner 12, the Regional Development Agency of Bielsko Biala (39 participants). It was the second time that all project partners get together, in order to discuss the activities which have been made since the Kick-Off Meeting.

The 2nd Consortium Meeting took place from June 8th until 10th 2011 in Rome / Italy (40 participants) and was organized by project partner 10, the Ministry for the environment, Land and Sea, with support of Project Partner 11, the Autonomous Region Friuli Venezia Giulia.

Both meetings addressed administrative as well as technical issues with a special reference to the fulfilment of BATCo outputs as mentioned in the Application Form.

On the 2nd day of the Consortium Meeting in Rome a BATCo Public Conference with the title "The role of inter-modality within the Trans-European Transport Networks: environmental and logistical advantages" was organized.

In addition to the status quo report another important topic was to determine the further procedure for the planned activities of all working packages and proposals for a better cooperation between the project partners for the further progress in the project. In the frame of the public event a high level speaker of the ministry, Mr Fabio Croccolo, inspired the participants with his speech.

Detailed and informative presentations from Mr. Paolo Angelini as representative of the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea of Italy and Mr Fabio Croccolo as general director for the railways infrastructures in Italy have been held and the auditory had the possibility on questions and discussion with the lecturer and transport experts.

### BATCo Technical Meetings

Two technical meetings mainly focusing on work package 3, 4 and 5 but also discussing strategies for work package 1 and 2 located in Vienna (Project Partners from Austria, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic and Poland) and Klagenfurt (Project Partners from Austria and Italy) were organised in January 2011.

A third technical meeting focusing on work package 3, 4 and 5 was organized at the beginning of July 2011 in Vienna.



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## Transnational Cooperation Points

The Baltic-Adriatic Transport Cooperation BATCo elaborates basic documents for decision making to foster the railway connection between the Baltic Port of Gdansk in the North and the Adriatic Ports in the South of Europe (Baltic-Adriatic Axis). Besides the implementation of Trans-Tools-Application to demonstrate and reduce negative environmental, noise and safety and cost aspects, the companies, which are potential users of improved transport conditions, will be directly supported by a system of Baltic-Adriatic Business Cooperation Points thus establishing the BATCo Business Cooperation Alliance.

Eight project partners along the Baltic-Adriatic Axis from Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria and Italy decided to be responsible for the initiation and servicing of transnational business cooperation contacts for companies in all project regions.

The following project partners will act as future Baltic-Adriatic Business Cooperation Points, whereas Italian partners - participating regions are Emilia-Romagna, Friuli-Venezia Giulia and Veneto - have chosen ARIES as one central Italian Cooperation Point acting as the coordinator for all Italian cooperation activities:

-  Development Agency of Carinthia
-  Internationalisierungszentrum Steiermark GmbH
-  Aries Special Agency of the Chamber of Commerce Industry, Craft and Agriculture of Trieste
-  Regional Development Agency Bielsko Biala
-  Upper Silesian Agency for Entrepreneurship Promotion Co.
-  Maritime Institute in Gdansk
-  The Union for the Development of the Moravian-Silesian Region
-  Transport Research Institute, JSC.

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The activities of the Baltic-Adriatic Business Cooperation Points will be defined individually in the next weeks by the project partners and the regional business entities on the occasion of local/regional workshops. The range of activities will range from the organisation of requested information up to practical business partner search for specific products or services with high transport relevant aspects and the transmission of links and contacts.