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### Press Release

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#### Financing for the Action “*The rehabilitation of the Brașov - Sighișoara railway section, subsection 3: Apața - Cața*” was approved.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2016, the Grant Agreement under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Program-(Transport Sector) No. INEA/CEF/TRAN/M2015/1131642 for “*The rehabilitation of the Brașov - Sighișoara railway section, subsection Apața-Cața*” (Action Code No: 2015-RO-TMC-0362-W), signed between the National Railways Company „CFR”-SA and The Innovation and Networks Executive Agency (INEA) - under the powers delegated by the European Commission, entered into force.

The upgrading works will contribute to the main objective of the Action: promoting sustainable mobility along the Romanian railway infrastructure sector on the *Rhine - Danube Corridor (Hungarian Border- Curtici - Arad - Simeria - Sighișoara - Brașov)*, by increasing the train speed, reducing the travel time for passengers and for freight, improving the railway safety and implementing a modern interlocking and traffic management system in compliance with the new *European Technical Standards for Interoperability (TSI)* and the *UE Regulations*.

The scope of the Action consists in upgrading works for subsection 2. *Apața - Cața* of the *Brașov-Sighișoara* railway section in compliance with *European Technical Standards for Interoperability* (maximum speed of 160 km/h, ERTMS/ETCS level 2 + GSM-R, axle load of 22.5 t, access for people with reduced mobility). The upgrading works will be similar to those on subsections 1 and 3 of the *Brașov - Sighișoara* railway section, subsection which have also been financed through *the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Program for Transport Sector*.

The eligible costs of the Action are EUR 538,300,852 of which EUR 440,007,116 represent the EU funding grant awarded by the European Commission through *The Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Program* for the 2014-2020 programming period. The rest will be financed from the state budget.

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