



Press release

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION APPROVED FINANCING FOR THE ACTION "THE FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR UPGRADING OF RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE IN CONSTANTA PORT".

On 26th of October 2017 the Grant Agreement No. INEA/CEF/TRAN/M2016/1365864 for the Action "The feasibility study for the upgrading of railway infrastructure in Constanta Port" was signed by the National Railways Company "CFR"-SA and by the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency (INEA) with the powers delegated by the European Commission under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Program - Transport Sector.

The Action aims to carry out a feasibility study to upgrade Constanta port's existing railway infrastructure in line with the *EU Regulations 1315/2013*, 1299/2014 and with the *Interoperability Directive 2008/57/EC* requirements: 22.5 t axle load, the possibility of running freight trains with a length of 740 m and at least 100 km/h of speed.

The purpose of the Action is to elaborate the Feasibility Study, the documentation for the approval of the technical and economic indicators of the investment, the necessary documents in obtaining the construction authorization and the preparation of the tender documentation for the acquisitions of the construction works and consultant services.

The total value of the Action is **EUR 2,797,611**, out of which **EUR 2,377,969** represents the 85% co-financing of the eligible costs of the Action financed by the European Commission. The difference, including the 15% of the eligible costs of the Action and the VAT, is provided through the State Budget.

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