

Press Release

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Works contract signing for "The rehabilitation of the railway line Braşov - Simeria, part of the Rhine - Danube Corridor, for the maximum speed of 160 km/h, section Braşov - Sighişoara, subsections: 1. Braşov - Apaţa and 3. Caţa - Sighişoara"

On 5 March 2020 the National Railway Company "CFR" S.A. and „RailWorks Association" (including the following companies: Alstom Transport SA, Aktor Technical Societe Anonyme, Arcada Company SA, Euro Construct Trading 98 SRL) signed the works contract for *"The rehabilitation of the railway line Braşov - Simeria, part of the Rhine - Danube Corridor, for the maximum speed of 160 km/h, section Braşov - Sighişoara, subsections: 1. Braşov - Apaţa and 3. Caţa - Sighişoara"*.

The value of the contract is **2,979,386,423.41** lei excluding VAT.

The modernization project on the two subsections having a total length of approximately **86 km** includes a railway infrastructure, superstructure and installations works, including works for implementation of ERTMS level 2 system. The project will contribute to:

- increasing the railway safety,
- increasing the traffic speed to 160 km/h and reducing the travel time;
- improving the comfort offered to the passengers in the railway stations,
- facilities for the access of the passengers with reduced mobility, etc.

The payments related to the contract will be provided from the Cohesion Fund (85%) through the Connecting Europe Facility of the European Union and from the State Budget of the Romania.

The period of implementation of the contract is **108 months** from the issuing date of the starting order (48 months of execution, respectively 60 months for warranty).

The beneficiary of the contract is the National Railway Company "CFR" S.A.

Project co-financed by the European Union's Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)

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