





## **Press Release**

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## The European Commission awarded the grant for the project "Modernization of the railway line Bucuresti Nord - International Airport Henri Coanda Bucuresti"

On 8.10.2020, the Grant Agreement no. INEA/CEF/TRAN/M2019/2126430 for the Action number 2019-RO-TMC-0300-W, related to the project "Modernization of the railway line Bucuresti Nord - International Airport Henri Coanda Bucuresti", 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 objectives of the action are to develop a transport system that allows the connection between rail transport and air transport, to improve the travel conditions and the traffic safety, increasing the passenger transit capacity of the IAHCB, ensuring interoperability in line with the Technical Specifications for Interoperability (TSI): axle load (22.5 t), loading gauge C, the length of the lines in the station, facilities for people with reduced mobility, in compliance of the infrastructure and the railway superstructure with the technical parameters required by the national and European standards and legislative and regulatory framework in force.

The scope of the Action is to connect the railway line to the T1 Terminal arrivals of the International Airport Henri Coandă București (AIHC) in length of 2.95 km, railway signaling works, construction of 3 culverts, 1 viaduct, 1 railway station at AIHC and 1 stopping point in Otopeni city.

The value of the action is EUR 57 000 846, of which EUR 46 565 625 (81.69%) represents the eligible amount granted from the Cohesion Fund through the European Interconnection Mechanism - CEF Transport Sector. The difference of 18.31% of the eligible costs and VAT is provided from the State Budget.

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

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