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### **Signing a sectoral services contract for “Feasibility study and technical design for the modernization of the Apahida - Suceava railway line, subsection 2: Ilva Mică - Pojorâta”**

On 06.01.2022, the National Railway Company "CFR" S.A. and Association TPF Inginerie S.R.L. (leader) - S.C. I.S.P.C.F. S.A. - S.C. Baicons Impex S.R.L. signed the sectoral services contract for the elaboration of the *“Feasibility study and technical design for the modernization of the Apahida - Suceava railway line, subsection 2: Ilva Mică - Pojorâta”*, at a financial value of 49,314,755 lei without VAT.

The services provider should carry out an analysis and an optimal solution to upgrade the railway infrastructure between Ilva Mică and Pojorâta, in line with European Regulations and Directive, also should prepare a technical design and elaborate the documentation for the issuance of the Government Decision for expropriations and needed documentation that should be applied for the construction permits. Also the provider should elaborate the technical specifications for the tenders on the construction works and supervision services.

The general objective of the project is to carry out feasibility study and technical project for subsection 2 Ilva Mică - Pojorâta, to facilitate the integration of sustainable transport between the Central and North - Eastern region of Romania, contributing to the socio-economic development of the crossed areas, improving Romania's economic competitiveness and creating the conditions for increasing the volume of goods and the number of passengers on the Central Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T).

The financing is provided in proportion of 85% from funds granted from the Cohesion Fund through the European Interconnection Mechanism - CEF Transport Sector through the Financing Agreement no. INEA / CEF / TRAN / M2019 / 2091973, and the difference of 15% of the eligible costs and VAT from the State Budget. The implementation period of the contract is 23 months from the date of start order of the services.

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

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