



Press Release

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Signing a sectoral services contract for “Feasibility study for the modernization of the railways lines and installations from the Bucharest Railway Complex”

On 19.04.2022, the National Railway Company "CFR" S.A. and Association S.C. I.S.P.C.F. S.A. (leader) - S.C. Baicons Impex S.R.L. signed the sectoral services contract for the elaboration of the “*Feasibility study for the modernization of the railways lines and installations from the Bucharest Railway Complex*”.

The services provider should provide the most efficient solution for the implementation of the railway subsystems of the Bucharest Railway Complex (infrastructure, technical equipment, railway operation and safety systems, etc.) from a technical-economic and operational point of view, eligible for funding from external funds and state budget. The solution presented must comply with the requirements for ensuring the full interoperability of the railway infrastructure in the Bucharest Railway Node with the TEN-T railway network, in accordance with the European Regulations and Directive in force.

The main objective of the modernization works of the railway infrastructure related to the Bucharest Railway Complex is to increase the attractiveness/competitiveness of the railway transport by improving the quality of services for passengers and freight, at the same time as improving the safety in operation. Special attention will be paid to the Bucharest North Railway Complex, which serves most of the current railway traffic. The other part of the railway infrastructure within the Bucharest Railway Complex will also be analyzed to identify potential traffic demand and future functionalities for each line/station that is part of the Bucharest Railway Node, as well as the optimal strategy for the operation and operation of the railway network of the Bucharest Railway Complex, both for passenger and freight trains.

The contract value is 20,742,050 lei without VAT.

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/M2019/2092039, and the difference of 15% of the eligible costs and VAT from the State Budget. The implementation period of the contract is **21 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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