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The European Commission awarded the Grant for the project "Modernization of the railway infrastructure in Constanta Port - Stage I, Valu lui Traian"

On 03.05.2023, the Grant Agreement no. 101113240-22-RO-TM-CT Port mobility, related to the project *"Modernization of the railway infrastructure in Constanta Port - Stage I, Valu lui Traian"*, was signed by the National Railways Company „CFR”-SA and by the European Climate, Infrastructure And Environment Executive Agency (CINEA).

The Action is part of a global project consisting of package of investments aimed to increase the railway capacity of the Port Constanta and the railway connectivity of the port as well, for a better, faster and more efficient freight flow, with benefits both in terms of civil and defence use. Constanta Port is a strategic European objective, being connected, via the Bucharest-Constanța railway line, directly to the main TEN-T Core railway network and to the Rhine-Danube Corridor.

The objective of this Action is to carry out the design -build under Stage I: Modernization of the railway infrastructure from the waiting area in Valu lui Traian Station (modernization, electrification, introducing centralized electronic signalization and other auxiliary works). The waiting area is located at 15 km distance from Constanța Port and after modernization will become a buffer zone for creating the formation of freight trains to/ from the port.

The total eligible costs of the action grant is EUR 87,031,505 EUR of which EUR 43,515,752.5 EUR (50%) represents the maximum amount granted from the Cohesion Fund through the European Interconnection Mechanism - CEF Transport Sector. The difference of 50% of the total eligible costs and VAT is provided from the State Budget.

The project implementation period is 39 months.

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

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