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**Dissemination Report on the Commission decision
Establishing the projects to be supported under the
TEN-T 2008 annual call**

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The decision - C (2009) 1163 is establishing the projects of common interest eligible in the area of the trans-European transport network selected for receiving Community financial aid in the framework of Decision C(2008)1564 for the annual work programme 2008 and the call for proposals* launched on 25 April 2008
Commission Decision - C (2009) 1163

* Official Journal references: Commission Decision C(2008) 1564

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General introduction

Since 1995, the Community has had the possibility to grant financial aid to projects of common interest included in the Community Guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network. On the basis of the relevant Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council, adopted in 1995, more than six billion € have been allocated so far to a wide range of projects which contributed to the gradual implementation of this network. Amongst the supported projects are key European actions such as the development of Galileo or important sections of the trans-European high-speed railway network. A large number of smaller projects throughout the different modes of transport, funded under the TEN-T budget line, had also significant effects on the achievement of the Community's objectives in this area. Much has thus already been achieved during the first decade of the joint funding of important TEN-T projects by Member States and the Community. However, a number of key projects have been lagging behind schedule because of a variety of reasons of political, legal, technical and financial nature.

In addition to the assistance of European coordinators, who help to overcome difficulties through "non-financial" action, the new TEN Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, adopted in 2007, enables the Commission to contribute more efficiently and effectively to the financing of the highest priorities of the TEN-T. It provides for a strong concentration of available funds on the TEN-T priority projects approved in 2004 and on projects in the field of traffic management, and calls in particular for enhanced support of cross-border sections along the priority projects.

Further to this, the annual programme has an embedded flexibility to properly reflect, each year, new or specific focus concerning the TEN T policy priorities.

Accordingly and on the basis of the new TEN Regulation, as well as on the specific Commission decision on the TEN-T annual work programme 2008, adopted through comitology procedure in April 2008, the Commission has published on the 25th of April a call for proposals for the annual TEN-T proposals 2008. Under this call, a total of 105 project proposals were received.

In evaluating these proposals, the Commission has strictly applied the criteria set out in the TEN Financial Regulation. Through the involvement of external experts in the evaluation of all project proposals, it has aimed at enhancing objectivity and technical quality of the overall selection process.

The Commission has now completed the project selection process on the basis of the annual work programme and has adopted a decision C(2009) 1163 that sets out the results of this process, i.e. a decision that (in accordance with Article 9 of the TEN Financial Regulation), establishes the projects that shall be subject to the annual programme and the amounts to be granted to these projects.

The Commission is confident that this decision responds, in the best possible way, to key transport and TEN policy objectives at stake, and that it will contribute to boosting Community action in the field of the trans-European transport network.

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A. Legal framework and political context

In coherence with regulation (EC) n° 680/2007 of the European Parliament and the Council which lays down general rules for the granting of Community financial aid in the field of trans-European networks, the Commission Decision C(2008)1564 established the annual work programme for the year 2008 for grants in the field of the trans-European transport network. This work programme foresaw the publication of a call for proposals on the 25th of April 2008 for proposals in the framework of TEN-T 2008.

In 2008 a total amount of 175 million € is available for the annual work programme. An amount of 140 million € will be dedicated to grants for projects of common interest in the field of the trans-European transport network. The remaining amount of 35 million € is available to the "Loan Guarantee Instrument", foreseen in the TEN Regulation, and is not subject to the above mentioned annual call for proposals.

The aid to be granted on the basis of the annual work programme will be an important part of the pillar of Community financing of the trans-European transport network during the period 2007 – 2013. Its flexibility i.e the ability to focus on specific priorities for each different year, complements well the global long term efforts developed under the multi-annual programme (2007-2013). Furthermore, the annual programme will not support actions already being supported under the multi-annual programme (Article 8.3 TEN Regulation).

The 2008 priorities of the trans-European transport network, as set out in the TEN Guidelines, are the following:

- The 30 priority projects set out in annex III of the TEN Guidelines, in conformity with Article 19 thereof, to the extent that they do not receive support through the multi-annual programme and where the small size and timing of the measures concerned render this appropriate
- measures to develop key links and interconnections to eliminate bottlenecks in accordance with Article 5 of the TEN Guidelines
- measures to develop an interoperable railway network, with the exception of measures for the deployment of ERTMS, especially for TEN-T conventional railway lines that contribute to a rail freight oriented network in accordance with Article 10 of the TEN Guidelines
- measures to promote maritime transport and inland waterways in accordance with Article 11 of the TEN Guidelines
- measures to face the most urgent problems of airports in conformity with the recent Communication on Airport Capacity and Efficiency: optimisation of existing capacity, maximisation of safety and security, limitation of the environmental impact, in accordance with Article 13 of the TEN Guidelines.
- measures to promote good standards of comfort and safety as well as to guarantee a sustainable integration of Road infrastructure in the global transport chain, in accordance with Article 9 of the TEN Guidelines
- measures to promote the deployment of sustainable transport infrastructure (Article 2 of the TEN Guidelines) as foreseen in the Transport White Paper namely by applying the "acquis

communautaire" in the field of environment - and in particular those that will boost inter-modal cooperation by integrating smoothly and smartly the different modes of transport, (as referred to, for the different modes of transport respectively, in Articles 5, 9,10, 11, 14 and 16 of the TEN Guidelines)

- The annual programme will also address priorities of the TEN-T development which were not covered under the multi-annual work programme. The annual programme will nevertheless give a clear priority to projects that address key TEN-T issues such as cross border and bottlenecks
- A contribution to the "Loan Guarantee Instrument", in accordance with Article 6.1 .d of the TEN Regulation, which sets out a financial contribution to the provisioning and capital allocation for guarantees to be issued by the EIB on its own resources under the loan guarantee instrument, in order to share the risk and provide support to the investors of infrastructure projects deemed relevant to the trans-European network. The annual funds may be used to support projects implemented either under the Multi-Annual or the Annual programmes
- In order to attract more private funding for the deployment of strategic transport infrastructure projects, the TEN-T programme will foster actions aimed at promoting private sector involvement particularly in the development and financing of Community supported transport infrastructure projects (as foreseen in Article 7 TEN Regulation)
- In order to increase the social benefits from innovation and reduce the lag time for the implementation of transport policies, TEN funding should whenever possible support deployment projects that build on research activities or deploy new technologies

The implementation of this work programme for 2008 aims at further enhancing the effectiveness and visibility of Community financing of the highest priorities of the trans European transport network. It is expected that the granting of support on the basis of this programme will contribute to the timely and efficient completion of a number of TEN-T projects in their entirety or in significant parts.

B. Key elements of the received proposals for the annual call for proposals TEN-T 2008

1. General Overview

105 proposals were received as a result of the annual call for Proposals 2008 (Reference 2008/C 104/10 of the Official Journal of the European Commission (OJ) of 25/04/2008). All were addressing the transport priorities set out on the Annual Work programme which reflected the Commission priorities on transport as reflected on the 2006 mid-term review of the transport white paper.

2. Budgetary features

All the proposals were received either in English, or with an English translation. A total of 26 applicants requested a reimbursement of the translations' costs under the translation scheme set out in the TEN T Call 2008. The total amount requested by the applicants was of 601, 645 million EURO, the total Budget available for the Call amounting to 140 million EURO. A more detailed distribution of requests by mode of transport is given in table 1.

Table1. Sum of total TEN-T requested funding by mode of transport

Mode	Total (million EUR)
Airport	32,34
Galileo	1,5
Inland Waterways	27,013
Intermodal	13,24
Maritime Ports	18,33
Rail	245,108
Road	264,09
Total (million EUR)	601,621

It should be noted that the surface transport modes continue to request much larger amounts (e.g. rail alone 46 proposals) which is due to a much larger number of proposals compared to Air and Waterborne modes: 71 against 34 proposals.

3. The selection of the proposals

The selection process was carried out in two steps: Firstly the technical appraisal of the absolute technical merits of each proposal carried out with the support of external experts, secondly the evaluation in relation to the transport policy priorities. The final results, ranking the proposals in two categories (funding and not funding), reflect well a sustainable transport approach which favors modes of transport such as Rail, Maritime and Inland Waterways and funding Road Transport when safety issues or bypasses to bottlenecks were being targeted

These results are depicted in tables 2, 3 and chart 4.

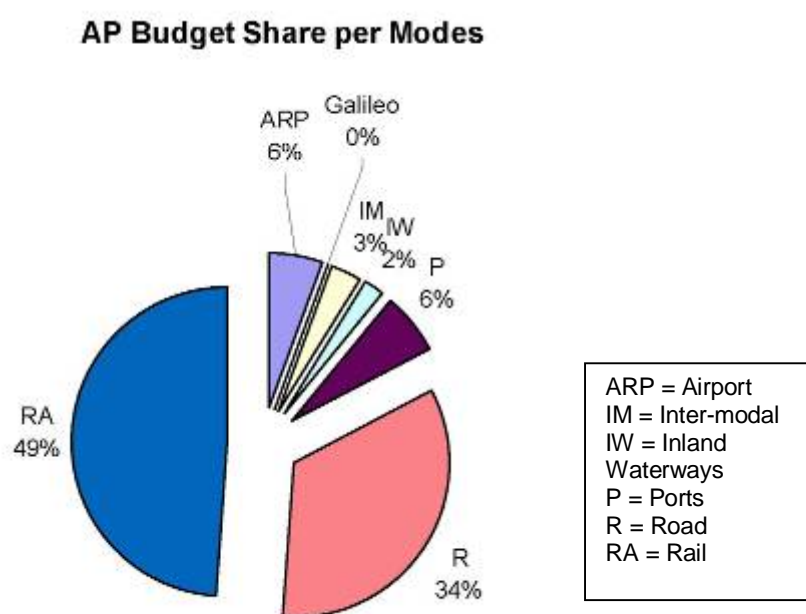
Table 2: Number of selected and refused proposals by mode

Mode	Ranking 1 Selected	Ranking 0 Refused	Total
Airport	4	7	11
Galileo	0	1	1
Inland Waterways	3	3	6
Intermodal	3	3	6
Maritime Ports	5	5	10
Rail	21	25	46
Road	13	12	25
Total	49	56	105

Table 3: Sum of Total agreed TEN-T aid by mode of transport

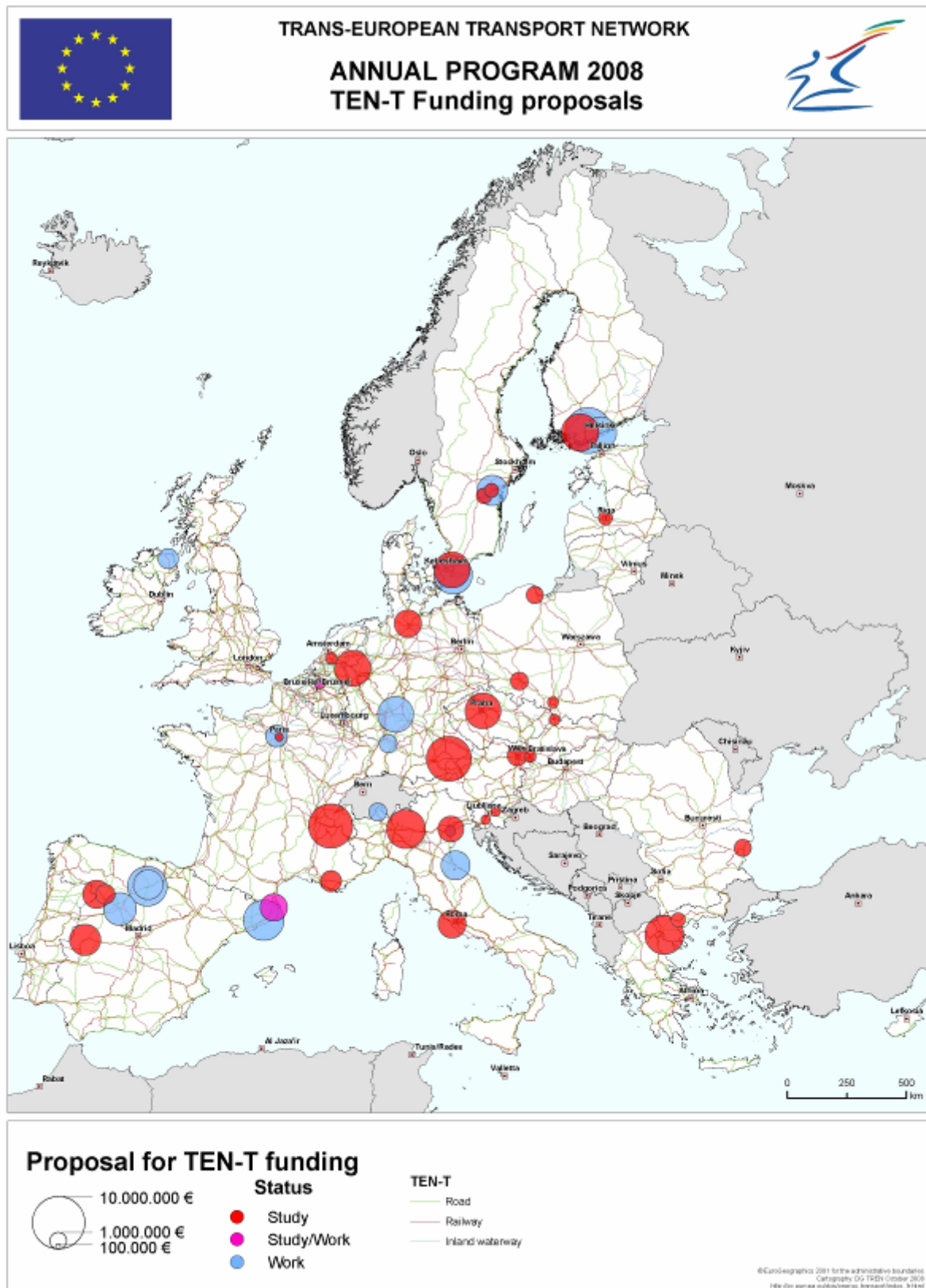
Mode	Total (million EUR)
Airport	7,744
Inland Waterways	2,777
Intermodal	3,504
Maritime Ports	8,851
Rail	68,505
Road	47,392
Total (million EUR)	138,773

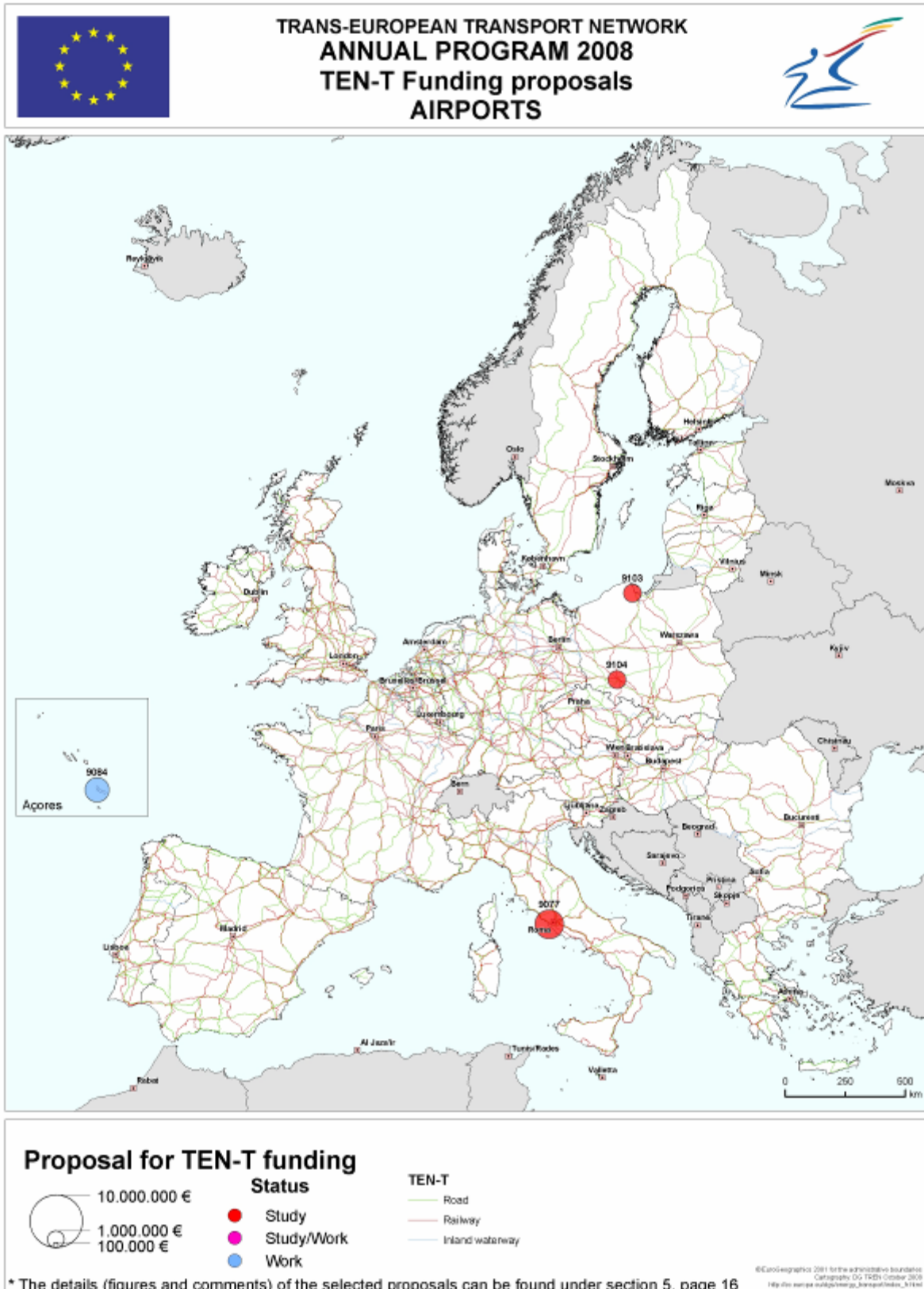
Chart 4. Distribution of proposed TEN-T by mode



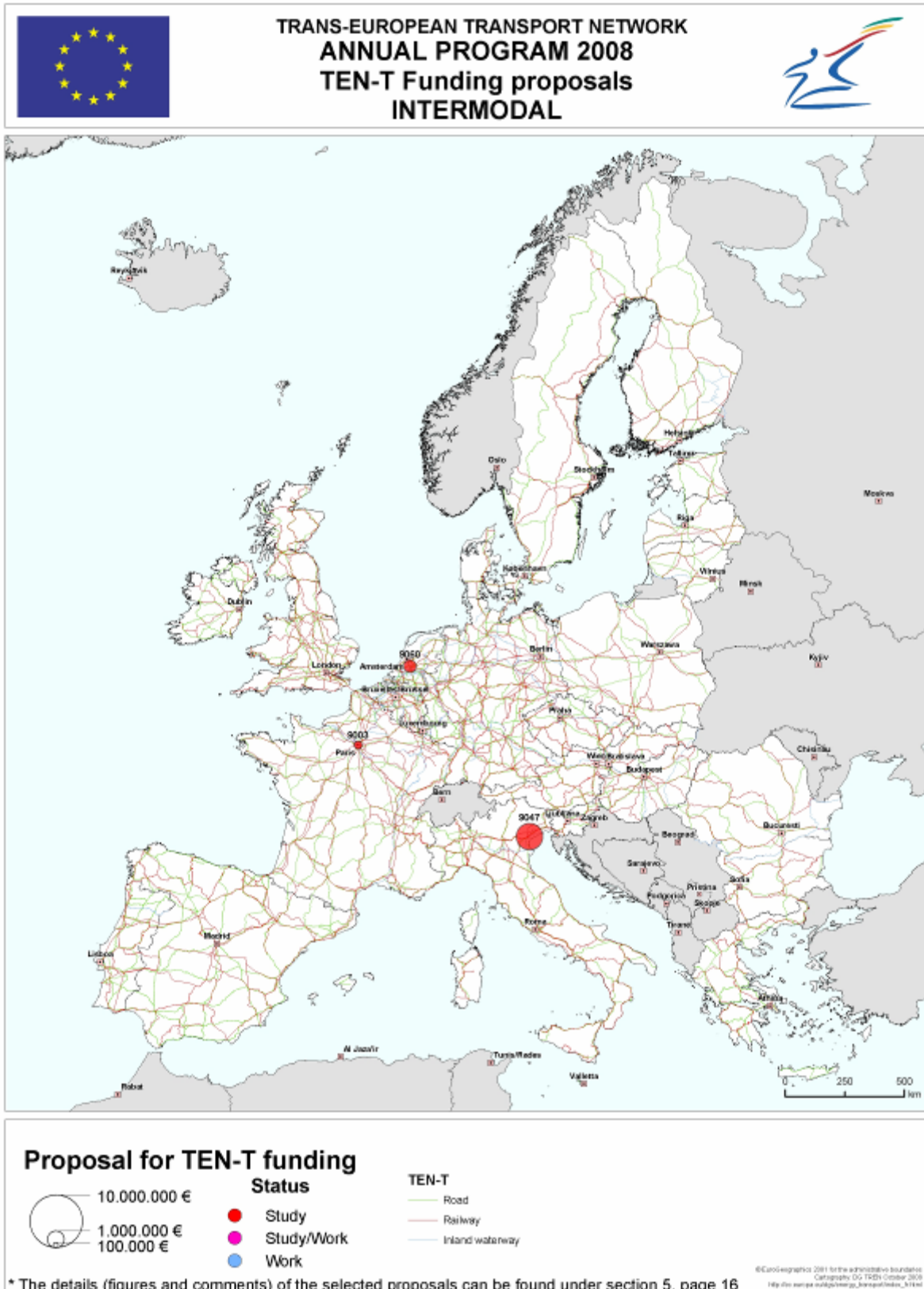
It is expected that this decision for funding will foster and support a deployment of transport infrastructure that will contribute to achieving a more sustainable mobility.

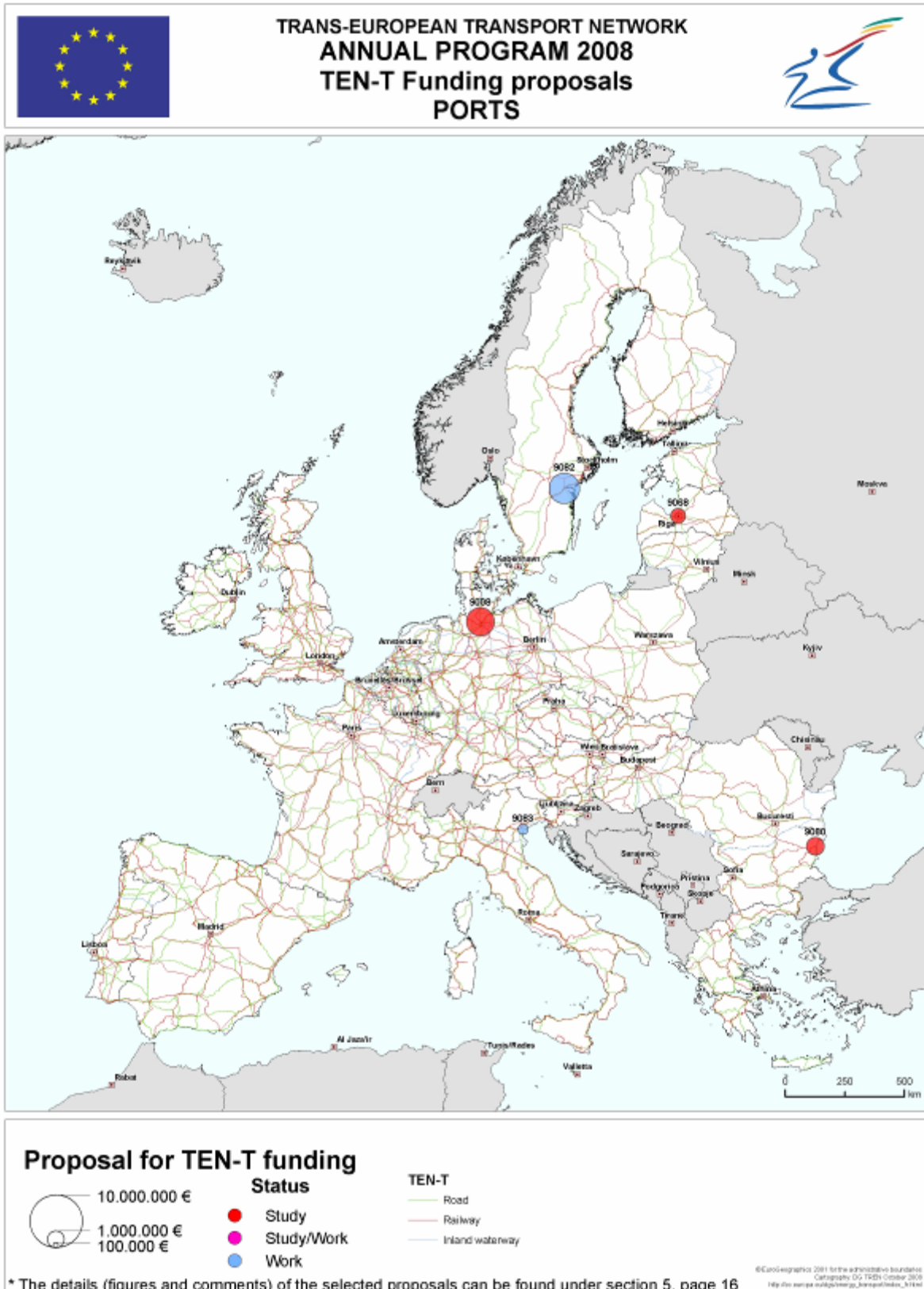
4. TEN T Funding – map representation of the retained proposals

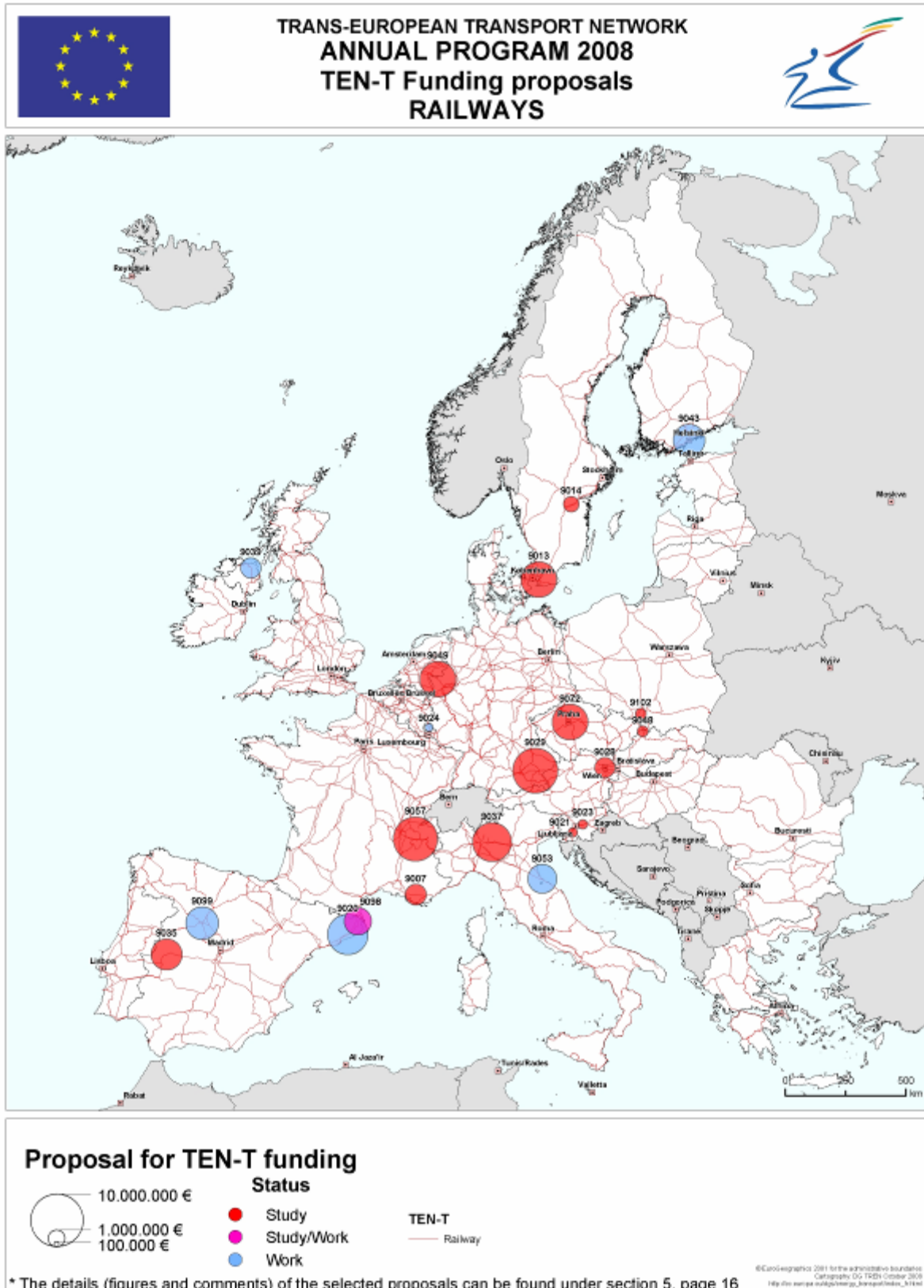


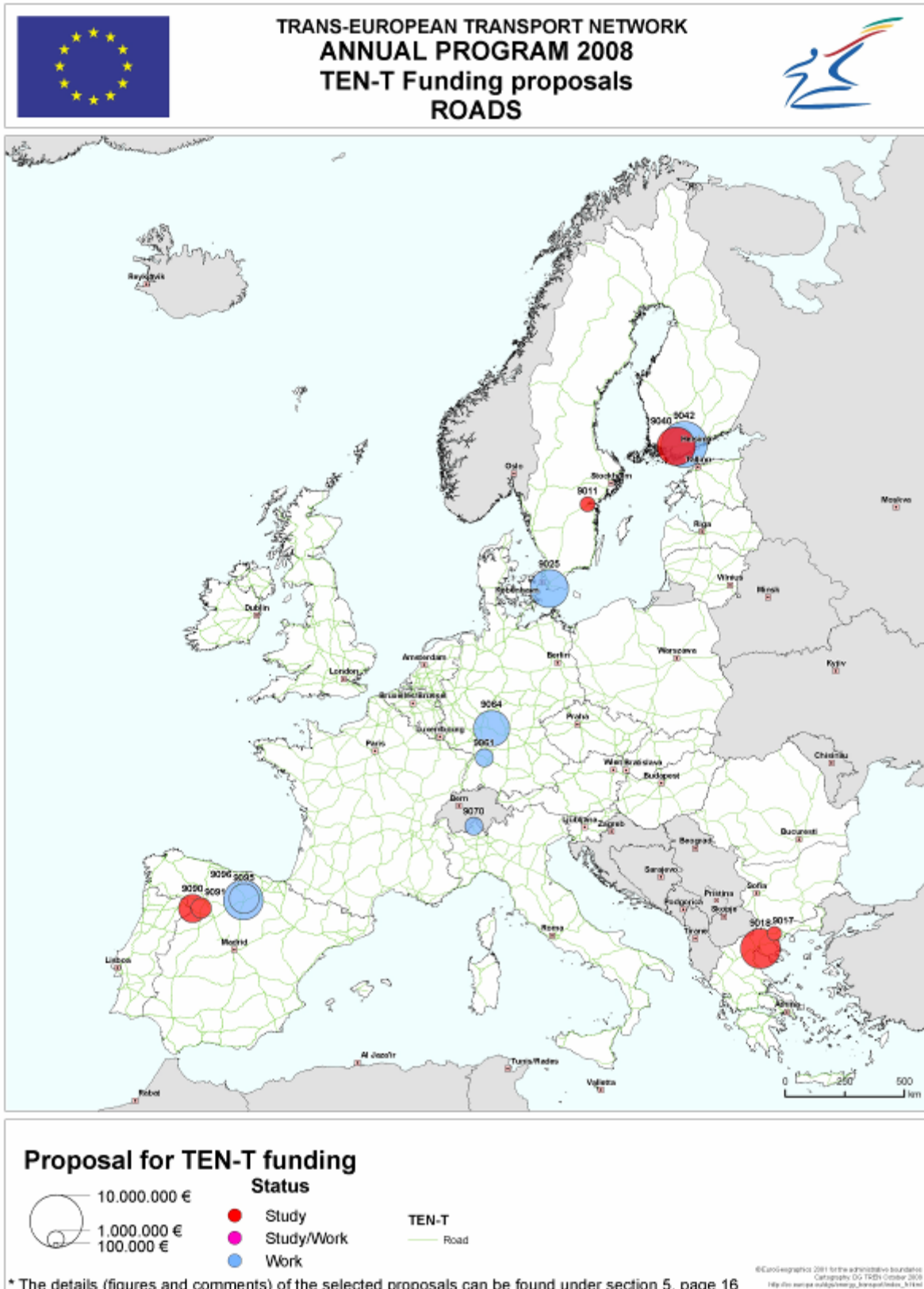












5. Selected proposals for the annual call for proposals TEN-T 2008

Code	MS concerned	Applicant Name	Title of the action	Type (1)	Mode (2)	Estimated Total Eligible Cost of the Action	Percentage of the financial support	Maximum community financial aid proposed
9003	FR	Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable and Spatial Development	Study: "external costs and charging on the terrestrial modes on the Paris-Amsterdam corridor"	S	IM	500.000	50,00%	250.000
9007	FR	Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable and Spatial Development	LGV PACA - High Speed Line Provence Alpes Côte d'Azur	S	RA	3.500.000	50,00%	1.750.000
9008	DE	Hamburg Port Authority	General planning of the rail-bound connections of the Port of Hamburg with Scandinavia and the Baltic Sea Region	S	P	5.800.000	50,00%	2.900.000
9011	SE	Swedish Road Administration	Norrköping Intermodal Infrastructure Package - Road Bypass Norrköping, Study	S	R	1.640.000	50,00%	820.000
9013	SE	Banverket (Swedish Rail Administration)	Nordic Triangle – Reconstruction of Malmö Central	S	RA	10.000.000	50,00%	5.000.000
9014	SE	Banverket (Swedish Rail Administration)	Nordic Triangle: Götaland Line - (Borås-Jönköping-Linköping) - High Speed Line	S	RA	2.000.000	50,00%	1.000.000
9017	GR	Egnatia Odos AE	Designs for the upgrading-completion of "Serres-Kavala" axis (Phase A')	S	R	1.590.000	50,00%	795.000

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9018	GR	Egnatia Odos AE	Designs for the connection of EGNATIA / PATHE highways (PP 07 priority project) with "MACEDONIA" airport of Thessaloniki (Phase B)	S	R	11.840.000	50,00%	5.920.000
9020	ES	ADIF (Railway Infrastructure Administration).	Upgrading of the Barcelona – France line and the accesses for operating on an international gauge.	W	RA	61.542.534	9,99%	6.150.000
9021	SI	Ministry of Transport, Slovene Agency for the Management of Public Railway Infrastructure Investment	Working out of preliminary studies for the construction of the new line of high capacity/high speed line Divača - Ljubljana	S	RA	700.000	50,00%	350.000
9023	SI	Ministry of Transport, Slovene Agency for the Management of Public Railway Infrastructure Investment	Working out of preliminary studies for the construction of the new line of high capacity/high speed line Ljubljana – Zidani most	S	RA	700.000	50,00%	350.000
9024	LU	Ministry of transport of Luxembourg	Deployment of ETCS Level 1 on Luxembourg railway network	W	RA	2.375.400	10,00%	237.540
9025	SE	Swedish Road Administration, Skåne Region	Works for the upgrading of the Road E6 Trelleborg-Vellinge	W	R	26.720.000	19,99%	5.340.000

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9028	AT	Association for the promotion of international traffic on the railway infrastructure	Feasibility-study on international rail real time traffic monitoring and electronic path request systems	S	RA	3.279.014	50,00%	1.639.507
9029	DE	Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs	Preliminary planning for the electrification of the railway Markt Schwaben - Burghausen and Tüßling - Freilassing	S	RA	16.070.000	50,00%	8.035.000
9035	ES	ADIF (Railway Infrastructure Administration)	Studies and projects for the development of the rail section Talayuela -Caceres	S	RA	7.802.655	49,98%	3.900.000
9036	SK	City of Bratislava	Project Documentation for Reconstruction and Modernisation of Bratislava Old Bridge	S	IW	1.150.767	50,00%	575.383
9037	IT	Ministry of transport of Italy	Completion of final design of Treviglio - Brescia Section of Milano - Verona high speed/high capacity line	S	RA	12.100.000	50,00%	6.050.000
9039	UK	Department for Transport	Ballymena - Derry: Track Life Extension	W	RA	15.806.448	10,00%	1.580.000
9040	FI	Ministry of Transport and Communications	Studies for the upgrading of the Road E 18	S	R	11.000.000	50,00%	5.500.000
9042	FI	Ministry of Transport and Communications	Works for the construction of the Road E 18 Muurla - Lohja	W	R	77.900.000	10,00%	7.790.000

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9043	FI	Ministry of Transport and Communications	National Railway yard (Ilmala)	W	RA	39.000.000	10,00%	3.900.000
9046	BE	Vlaamse Overheid (Flemish Authorities)	Adjustment and raise of railway bridges (HST lines 25 and 27) over River Nete	S&W	IW	4.095.676	10,00%	409.567
9047	IT	Ministry of transport of Italy	Feasibility study of Marco Polo Venice International Airport Intermodality Node	S	IM	5.344.000	49,96%	2.670.000
9048	SK	Ministry of Transport, Posts and Telecommunications of the Slovak Republic	Modernization of corridor, state border • R/SR – • adca – Krásno nad Kysucou (outside) railway track	S	RA	964.000	49,79%	480.000
9049	DE	Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs	Elimination of the railway crossings on the section 2270, Oberhausen-Emmerich	S	RA	10.173.000	50,00%	5.086.500
9053	IT	Ministry of transport of Italy	Removing bottleneck of "Cattolica" tunnel to allow transit of "high cube" container trains along Adriatic Corridor	W	RA	31.212.510	10,00%	3.120.000
9054	FR	Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable and Spatial Development	Rebuilding on the "Chatou Weir" on the Seine river	W	IW	17.920.000	9,99%	1.790.000
9057	FR	Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable and Spatial Development	Railway Project Lyon - Turin : Studies of the routes of access to the basic tunnel.	S	RA	15.160.000	50,00%	7.580.000

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9060	NL	Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management. Rijkswaterstaat Centre for Public Works	Studies on the management and organisation of "large infrastructure projects" (LIPs) in Europe -NETLIPSE	S	IM	1.164.212	49,82%	580.000
9061	DE	Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs	Upgrading to 6 lanes of the German Federal Motorway A 8 Karlsruhe - München on track section Pforzheim-Süd (Wurmberg)-Heimsheim	W	R	12.800.000	10,00%	1.280.000
9064	DE	Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs	A3, upgrading to 6 lanes, track section Hösbach - Kauppenbrücke	W	R	48.665.000	10,00%	4.866.500
9068	LV	Freeport of Riga Authority	Elaboration of study and detail design for the project "Reconstruction of Access channel for ships entrance into Riga port"	S	P	1.648.833	49,73%	820.000
9070	IT	Ministry of transport of Italy	Upgrading the Montecrevola on the SS n.33 del Sempione E262 to the safety requirements for tunnels in the TEN of road	W	R	12.000.000	10,00%	1.200.000
9072	CZ	Ministry of transport of the Czech republic	Optimisation of railway section Prag Hostivar - Prag main railway station detailed design	S	RA	10.000.000	50,00%	5.000.000

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9077	IT	Aeroporti di Roma S.p.A.	Feasibility Study and Preliminary Design of an Integrated Multi-Modal Transport System for the Improvement of the Rome-Fiumicino Airport Accessibility	S	ARP	6.272.000	50,00%	3.136.000
9080	BG	Port Lesport S.A.	Studies related to the port expansion project for Lesport as part of Port Varna regarding implementation of European standards in Bulgaria	S	P	2.400.000	50,00%	1.200.000
9082	SE	The Swedish Maritime Administration	Norrköping Intermodal Infrastructure Package – Improvement of Access Fairway	W	P	35.286.000	10,00%	3.528.600
9083	IT	Venice port Authority	Functional adaptation of both road and rail networks in the stretch Malcontenta - Fusina of "via dell'Elettronica in port of Marghera - Venice	S&W	P	2.700.000	14,74%	398.000
9084	PT	Ministry for public works, transport and communications	Joao Paulo II Airport Expansion Plan	W	ARP	21.600.000	10,00%	2.160.000
9090	ES	Ministry of "Fomento"	Design of project construction: Motorway "del Duero" A11. Section: Ronda norte de Zamora- Portugal	S	R	6.058.687	50,00%	3.029.343

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9091	ES	Ministry of "Fomento"	Studies for the construction of the Motorway "Ruta de la Plata" (A-66).	S	R	3.149.778	49,84%	1.570.000
9095	ES	SEITT (Land Transport Infrastructures)	Motorway A-73 Burgos-Santander. Sections: Quintanilla-Quintanaortuno	W	R	33.511.792	10,00%	3.350.000
9096	ES	Ministry of "Fomento"	Motorway BU-30 . Sections: Villabilla de Burgos-Quintanaduenas	W	R	59.205.988	10,00%	5.920.000
9098	ES	SEITT (Land Transport Infrastructures)	Corridor linking Madrid-Zaragoza-Barcelona-Figueras-Perpignan-Montpellier-Nimes, and connects with the existing Paris-Lyon-Marseilles/Nimes high-speed line	S&W	RA	27.876.802	10,00%	2.787.660
9099	ES	SEITT (Land Transport Infrastructures)	High Speed Railway Madrid-Galicia-Portugal. Sections: Olmedo-Pozal and Pozal-Villaverde.	W	RA	19.994.775	20,00%	3.998.955
9102	PL	PKP Polish railway lines company	Preliminary feasibility study for the task: Modernisation and expansion of the Katowice railway junction	S	RA	1.000.000	50,00%	500.000

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9103	PL	Gdansk Airport Ltd.	Studies on the long-term adjustment of the international Gdansk Lech Walesa Airport, a TEN-T node in the North Poland, for the air transport needs	S	ARP	2.375.000	50,00%	1.187.500
9104	PL	Wroclaw Airport Ltd.	Comprehensive study and technical documentation of development of an international Airport Wroclaw	S	ARP	2.520.000	50,00%	1.260.000

