

European Rail Freight Corridors

The Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 initiated the establishment of a European rail network for competitive freight. It sets out rules e.g. for the selection, organisation and management of the freight corridors.

Through the implementation and development of the rail freight corridors (RFC) the IRG-Rail is involved in related regulatory tasks that go along with the establishment of the corridors for international freight transport by the infrastructure managers. IRG-Rail initiates the requested cooperation between regulators and is used as a platform for exchange since the corridors have been set up.

So far nine Rail Freight Corridors (RFCs) along European transport axes has been established.

Information about coordination of international path requests of applicants is available on the homepage of the RailNetEurope (RNE) .

<http://pcs.rne.eu/home>

An overview of the nine Rail Freight Corridors running through Europe under the Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 is shown below.

Number	Corridor	Length in km	crossing EU countries	Website
1	Rhine-Alpine	3900	Italy, Netherland, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany	RFC 1
2	North Sea-Mediterranean	5300	United Kingdom, Belgium, Netherlands, Switzerland, Luxemburg, France	RFC 2
3	Scandinavian-Mediterranean	7000	Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Austria and Italy	RFC 3
4	Atlantic	6200	Portugal, Spain, France, Germany	RFC 4
5	Baltic-Adriatic	4825	Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria and Italy	RFC 5
6	Mediterranean	7000	Spain, France, Italy, Slovenia and Hungary, Croatia	RFC 6
7	Orient-East Med	7700	Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, Romania, Greece, Bulgaria, Slovakia	RFC 7
8	North Sea-Baltic	6000	Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, Czech Republic, Poland, Latvia	RFC 8

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9	Rhine-Danube	970	Czech Republic, Slovakia	RFC 9