







## PUBLIC EVENT

8th November 2024 10:00 - 12:30

Advancing regional integration through enhanced passenger rail services in the CEI region

Presentation of the study on the improvement of passenger rail connections along the route Trieste – Ljubljana – Zagreb - Belgrade

Central European Initiative - Executive Secretariat Via Genova 9, Trieste (Italy)



## Agenda

10:00-10:30

Opening institutional session

- Roberto Antonione, Central European Initiative, Secretary General
- Massimiliano Fedriga, Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, President (tbc)
- Marian-Jean Marinescu, Western Balkans Eastern Mediterranean European Transport Corridor, European Coordinator (tbc)
- Matej Zakonjšek, Transport Community Secretariat, Director
- Matjaž Vrčko, Slovenian Ministry of Environment, Climate and Energy, Public Transportation Division, Head of Division
- Marko Boban, Croatian Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure, Service for Strategic Planning and Project Development, Head of Service
- Ivana Đorđević, Serbian Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Department for Railways and Intermodal Transport, Associate
- Federica Polce, Italian Ministry for Infrastructures and Transport,
   Department for Trans-European network and multimodal corridors,
   Director

10:30-10:40

Rehabilitation of train services as a powerful tool to implement the Sustainable and Smart mobility strategy for the Western Balkans

• Kire Dimanoski, Transport Community Secretariat

10:40-11:20

Presentation of the study: opportunities and challenges for the rehabilitation of rail passenger services along the Trieste – Belgrade route

• Pierluigi Coppola, Francesco Guglielmi, Politecnico Milano

11:20-12:00

Round table discussion – Strengthening passenger rail connections in the Adriatic Ionian region (moderated by **Paolo Dileno**, CEI-ES)

- Darja Kocjan, SZPP Slovenian railways passenger transport,
  Director
- Ivan Bulajić, Srbijavoz Serbian railways, CEO
- Ergys Verdho, Albanian railways, CEO
- Sarita Ridova, Macedonian Railways Transport JSC, Head of Unit for international transport
- Miloš Radulović, Railway Transport of Montenegro, Director of Department for Transport and Commercial Affairs

12:00

Concluding Remarks

**Cristina Amirante**, Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, Regional Minister for Infrastructures and Territory

12:15 Light networking buffet