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### ASSOCIATED INSTITUTIONS

MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF HUNGARY - Hungary

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### OBSERVER

EUROPEAN UNION ROAD FEDERATION - Belgium

EUROPEAN INTERMODAL ASSOCIATION - Belgium

EUROPEAN ROAD HAULERS ASSOCIATION - Belgium

### DURATION AND FINANCING

Duration: 24 months, October 2012 – September 2014

Total budget: 3,025,246.64 EUR  
ERDF contribution: 2,194,768.71 EUR  
IPA contribution: 219,587.30 EUR  
ENPI contribution: 166,345.02 EUR

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ACROSSEE, Accessibility improved at border CROSSings for the integration of South East Europe, SEE/D/0093/3.3/X is a project co-financed by the EU Transnational Cooperation Programme "South-East Europe", under the 4th Call for Proposals.

ACCROSSEE is the first project working in line with the new EU TEN-T Guidelines and aiming at improving cross-border accessibility in the South East Europe Area, promoting the rationalization and the optimization of the existing network and extending the EU transport network to the Western Balkans.

## MAIN OBJECTIVES

*The accessibility improvement in South East Europe is fundamental in order to achieve its economic growth and the social and territorial cohesion.*

The transnational partnership involved in the ACROSSEE implementation, composed of Transport Ministries, Regional Administrations, Universities, Chambers of Commerce and other transport stakeholders from 8 EU and 5 non-EU Countries, will:

*- adopt concrete measures in order to cut the running times in the cross-border points and to minimize the existing bottlenecks in the South East Europe Area;*

*- adopt a common transport model for the entire South East Europe Area, integrated with the rest of Europe and compatible with the current EU system, adequate to be exploited also by public administrations and transport operators;*

*- contribute to the extension of the TEN-T network and to the optimization of the existing South East Europe Area network, fostering intermodality on transnational corridors.*



## PROJECT ACTIVITIES

The objective of the project will be realized through several specific actions:

• Establishment of an **institutional multilevel platform and promotion of administrative cooperation** in order to complete and extend the implementation of the TEN-T network and to enhance cooperation among relevant stakeholders with the aim of improving national and regional strategic plans

• Elaboration of an **integrated transport model** completed with the inclusion of local and international flows

• Elaboration of an action plan **for cross-border points and bottlenecks** in South East Europe Area and of a **joint proposal for administrative standardisation** and concrete plan for cutting transit time on EU corridors and Western Balkans comprehensive network.

• **Field survey on 30 selected rail border crossing points** in the whole South East Europe Area and field survey **on 35 road selected crossing sections**

• **Promotion of actions for the agreements of infrastructure interconnection** in order to expedite border-crossings procedures

• **Action plan for the synergy of European Macroregional Strategies** (Strategy for the Danube Region, Adriatic-Ionian Strategy and Black Sea Synergy) including the preparation of a series of tangible actions/project proposals to be submitted to the EU coordinators for these regional initiative.