



Rail Baltica progress in 2017

Plans for 2018

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Co-financed by the European Union
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RAIL BALTICA in 2017

Cost-Benefit Analysis

benefits for society

cooperation with Poland and Finland

First Technical Designs

preliminary cost estimates

3rd CEF Grant Agreement

tram-line launched in Tallinn economic catalyst

Design Guidelines

consolidated preliminary design

transparent procurement

Business plan

common procurement guidelines

Inter-Governmental Agreement ratified

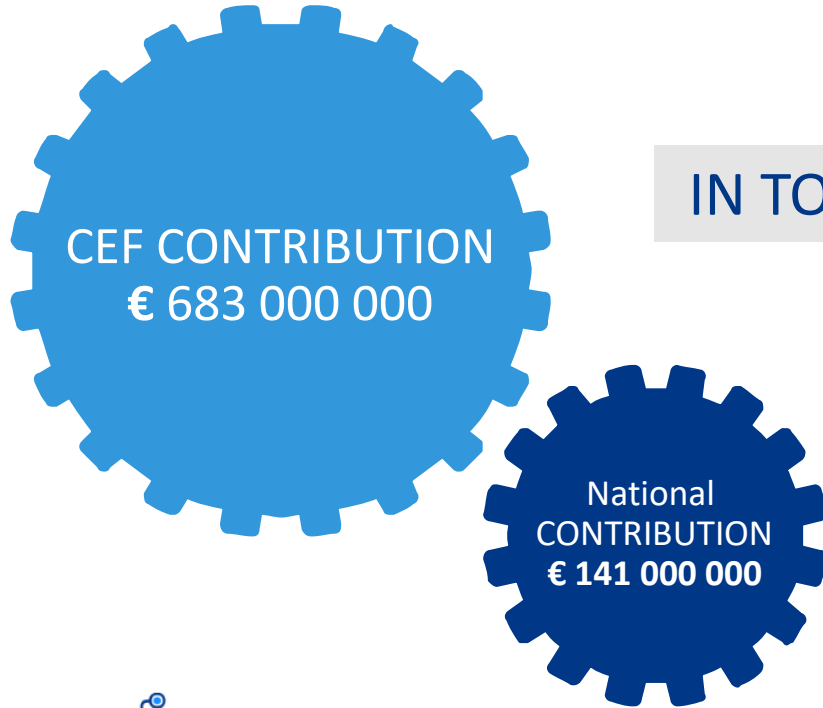
Land acquisition expert pool

financially viable mega-project

common contract templates

archaeological studies

Rail Baltica financial contributions from EU and member states*



IN TOTAL: € 824 000 000

	Eligible cost	CEF Grant	
EE	€ 235 000 000	€194 000 000	
LV	€ 303 000 000	€247 000 000	
LT	€ 286 000 000	€242 000 000	
TOTAL:	€ 824 000 000	€683 000 000	

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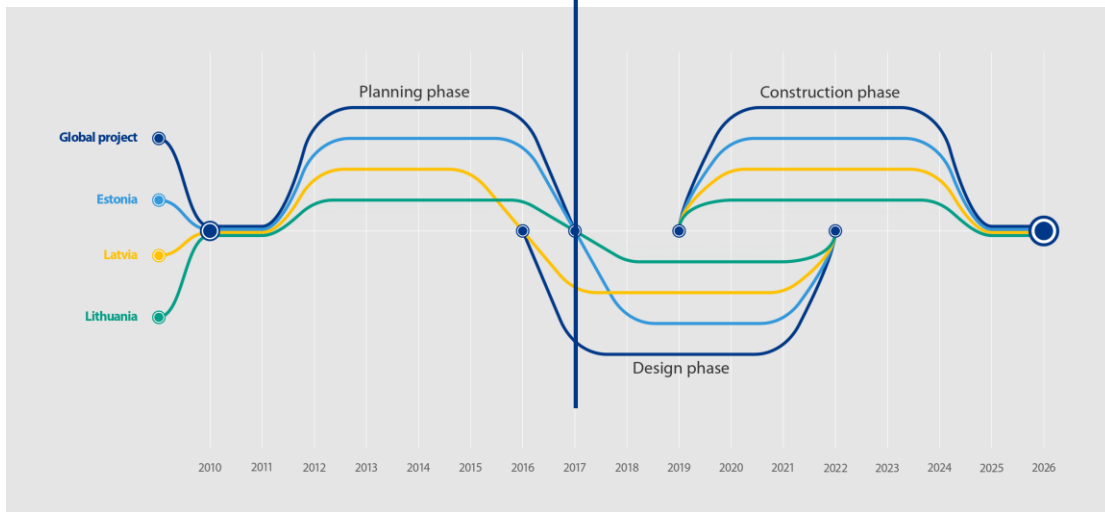
Finalising the Planning Phase – Entering the Design Phase

PLANNING PHASE in 2017:

- CBA - completed
- Preliminary estimated costs - known

MAIN STUDIES:

- In preparation: Business plan tender – contract signed; Study on Upgrading the railway line section "PL/LT state border-Kaunas-RRT Palemonas" - in final phase
- Ready to enter into contract: Operational plan, Feasibility study on rail bound connection from RB Ülemiste passenger terminal to Tallinn passenger port
- Tender evaluation: RB infrastructure manager study – assessment of proposals
- In tender documentation final preparation phase: several supplier market studies



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Finalising the Planning Phase – Entering the Design Phase

DESIGN PHASE in 2017:

- Design Guidelines Final Report submitted (approval process started)
- Consolidated Preliminary Technical Design commenced (to be finalized by Q 4 2018)
- Consultations with professional community on design tender in November
- Detailed Technical Design tenders in Estonia, Lithuania, phase I – announced, Latvia – announcement in January 2018



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Procurement

- Common Procurement guidelines, minimum qualification criteria, contract templates for all implementers
- Announced: 28
- Relaunched: 3
- Decisions taken: 21
- E-procurement system
- Suppliers' Industry Day (500 participants)

Prevention of COI situations - regulated by the Inter-Beneficiary Agreement, Common Procurement Standards & Guidelines, Contracting Scheme



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Transparency of Project and RB Rail

▪ FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY:

Published online:

- RB Rail's Annual Reports, Grant Agreements, CBA

Auditing:

- External Annual Audits
- Meetings with State Auditors of five countries

Cost Eligibility:

- INEA: confirmed that project costs for 2016 - 1.6 million euro - are considered eligible (CEF2 Agreement)

▪ INFORMATIONAL TRANSPARENCY:

- Global project website published in four languages
- Major project documents accessible online
- All tender information accessible
- Newsletters for tenders/news
- Common social media accounts
- Meetings with stakeholders / public presentations

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Coordinator's Role

- CEF3 application submitted, work on the Grant Agreement;
- EU Financing/ Annual Status Report submission
- Coordination with INEA/DG MOVE
- Participation at the RB Task Force (DG Move)
- Dialogue with Poland and Finland
- Establishment of the monthly reporting system for SB, shareholders, beneficiaries
- Advanced dialogue with potential future business customers
- Project visibility in EU and beyond
- Participation at leading international events
- Sharing RB experience with others

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Organization

- Management Board approved
- Pan- Baltic team: from 17 to 37 Employees
- Baltic experts return from EU countries
- Expert pool – 22 external experts
- RB Rail AS branches in Estonia and Lithuania

RB Rail main tasks in 2018

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Design

- To finalise the CPTD* in three Countries**
- Detailed technical design tenders finalised in Estonia, partly in LV and LT
- Detailed technical design works start in the summer

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Studies

- Operational plan,
- Long- term business plan,
- Feasibility study on upgrading the railway line section "PL/LT state border- Kaunas- RRT Palemonas"
- Infrastructure management study
- Series of technical studies
- Supplier market studies
- Commercialization studies
- BIM implementation

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Project Financing

- CEF 3 Grant Agreement signed
- Promotion of the RB project for future EU financing (MFF)
- Implementation on long-term business plan
- Ensuring long-term RB Rail financing model

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Other

- Cooperation with Poland and Finland
- Future business clients
- Digitalization and Innovation approach



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