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CEREMONY SIGNING OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF WORKS WITHIN THE PROJECT "Upgrade of the Rijeka port infrastructure – Bulk cargo Terminal Bakar" (POR2CORE-BCTB)

14. February 2020. at 10:00 o'clock

Port of Rijeka Authority, Riva 1/2nd floor/ Meeting room

PRESS RELEASE

The construction contract for the implementation of the project "Upgrade of the Rijeka port infrastructure - Bulk Cargo Terminal Bakar" was signed on February 14, 2020 at 10:00 in the Meeting Room of the Port of Rijeka Authority. The contract worth HRK 48,494,157.43 (incl. VAT) was signed by the Deputy President of the Management Board Mr. Duško Grabovac and Board Member Tomislav Kalafatić, on behalf of the Port of Rijeka j.s.c., with the President of the Management Board of GP Krk d.d., Mr. Josip Purić and Procurator and Authorized Representative of Colas Rail Croatia and Colas Rail SAS Bojan Vuin.

The signing ceremony was also attended by Minister of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure Oleg Butković and representatives of regional and local authorities, Mayor of Primorje-Gorski kotar County, Zlatko Komadina, Mayor of the City of Bakar, Tomislav Klarić and Deputy Mayor of the City of Rijeka Marko Filipović.

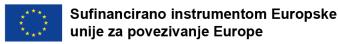
Minister Oleg Butkovic pointed out a number of projects have been initiated and implemented in the past four years before the signing of this contract from the completion of the Zagreb pier within the Rijeka Gateway project, to a number of CEF projects but also to the construction of the new DC403 road, which totals more than € 390 million. In addition, a major cycle of investment in railway infrastructure has been launched, which is also extremely important for the port of Rijeka, and this will ultimately create the preconditions for increasing traffic and development of this part of Croatia.

Director Denis Vukorepa pointed out that the Port of Rijeka Authority has a total of seven projects cofinanced by the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF). Their total value is EUR 133 million.









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Four CEF projects are already in progress: one at the AGCT container terminal, another at the new Zagreb Deep Sea container terminal, a third at the Raša Basin, and a fourth to introduce a new unique IT system for the entire port community. This contract today means that the fifth CEF project is entering the work phase and in the next two months it is expected to complete the public procurement procedure for contractors for the remaining two CEF projects of the Port of Rijeka Authority.

During the official program, the Mayor of Primorska - Gorski Kotar County, Zlatko Komadina, the Mayor of the City of Bakar Tomislav Klarić and the Deputy Mayor of the City of Rijeka, Marko Filipović, assessed the project as important for the development of bulk cargo terminals in the Bakar Basin, not only for Rijeka ports, but also for fast transport connections in general. On behalf of the Port of Rijeka d.d. Mr. Dusko Grabovac emphasized the importance of the project as they are the main beneficiary of the funds.

The project "Upgrade of the Rijeka port infrastructure - Bulk Cargo Terminal Bakar" (POR2CORE-BCTB) is a joint project of the Port Authority of Rijeka and the Port of Rijeka d.d. The total value of the project is 6,094,664 EUR, and is mostly co-financed by the Connecting European Facility (CEF), ie with a share of 85%.

The Port of Rijeka Authority implements a total of seven projects for which co-financing from the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) has been approved. All seven projects are under implementation, with a total estimated value of EUR 132,865,303.00.



