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# I. CPMR LOBBYING

# Keys to successful lobbying

CPMR at the negotiating table

### CPMR...

- Meets high level EU decision makers (e.g President Juncker Dec 2017)
- Is invited to speak at European Parliament and Council meetings (e.g informal Cohesion Council meetings)
- Coordinates the SEARICA Integroup in the European parliament

CPMR at the right place and at the right time

#### CPMR...

- Is the first association to analyse EC proposals of regional relevance
- Prepared the post-2020 period as early as 2016 (in house studies and questionnaires with Members)
- Takes part in EC
   Expert Groups (e.g: Coordinator for Motorways of the Sea)

## CPMR unique position

#### CPMR...

- Is the only association of regions constructed on the basis of sea-basins (Geographical Commissions)
- Only association focusing on EU / non-EU countries regional cooperation
- Produces unique technical analysis

# **Types of impact**



- Early impact on EU policies (e.g. the Brexit Adjustment Reserve)
- Legislative impact (amendments on key EP reports)
- Influencing EU 'influencers' (the CPMR is regularly quoted in the European Parliament Research Service, other think thanks, leading universities...)
- Resonance in EU, national and regional media (e.g. Op-ed articles written by CPMR Members)
- Long-term impact: changing the picture at European level regarding the role and place of Regions in Europe

# Some key successes



Safeguarding maritime cross-border cooperation programmes

Recognition of Regions within EU climate policies

**CEF: Core Network Corridors better cover Europe's peripheries** 

A Brexit Adjustment Reserve to compensate affected territories

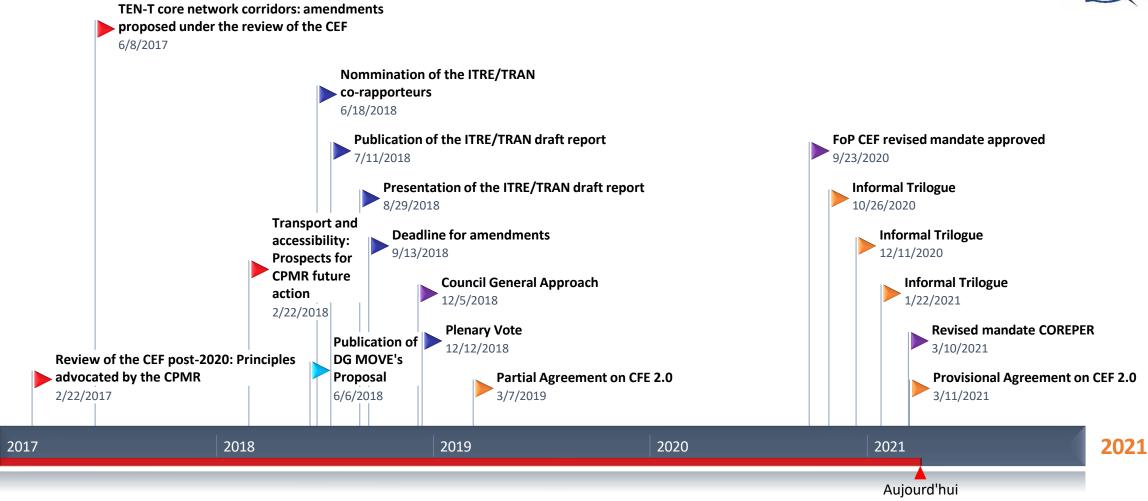
A Cohesion Policy tailored to the needs of European Regions



# II. FOCUS ON TRANSPORT

## **Lobbying for CEF 2021-2027: Timeline**





# **Lobbying for CEF 2021-2027**



# 2016-2018 - Influencing the EC Proposal

- Analysing the shortcomings of the 2014 – 2020 CEF
- Building the ideal CEF 2.0
- Regular meetings with DG MOVE at technical level
- Letters to Commissioner Bulc and Valean

# 2018 - Influencing EP Report

- Analysis and reaction to EC proposal
- Drafting amendments
- Meeting with key MEPs from TRAN Committee (Rapporteurs, Coordinators for instance)

# 2019-2021 - Influencing Final Deal

- Key role of our member Regions
- Exchanges with EP rapporteurs: Jean-Marian Marinescu (EPP, Romania), Henna Virkkunen (EPP, Finland) and Pavel Telička (ALDE, Czech Republic)
- Contact with Permanent Representations

# Lobbying for CEF 2021-2027: DG MOVE Proposal



Some improvements to make



- Still no mention of territorial accessibility
- A better governance
- Maritime transport has to be further supported

Some question marks



 Military mobility: the proposal remains rather vague and does not guarantee

much visibility for

 Budget: hard to predict how it will evolve in codecision

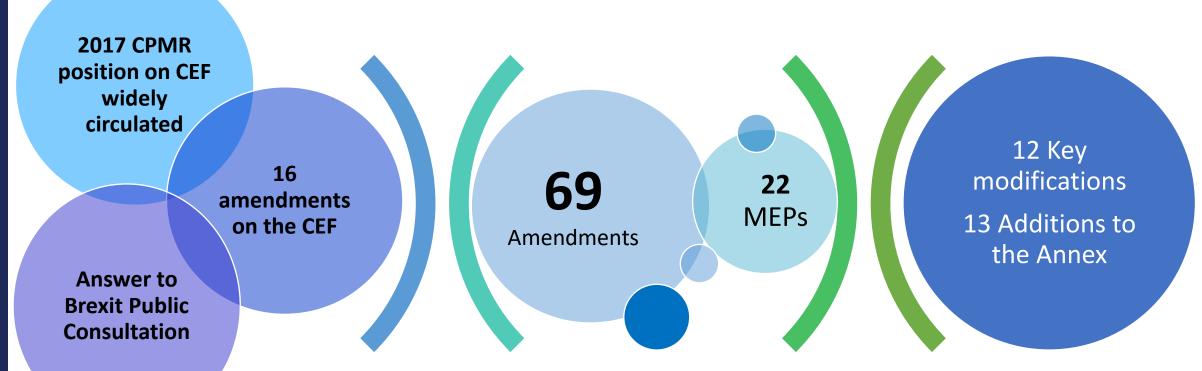
Regions

Some wins for the CPMR

- Larger share of the budget for the comprehensive Network
- Emphasis on sustainable transport
- Several amendments in the annex creating new sections to the Corridors in line with CPMR proposals

## **Lobbying for CEF 2021-2027: Our Work in the EP**





**CPMR** 

ITRE/TRAN Report

EP Report 12 December 2018

# Lobbying for CEF 2021-2027: key successes





An additional objective & award criteria on accessibility and connectivity



Core Network Corridors better cover the peripheries



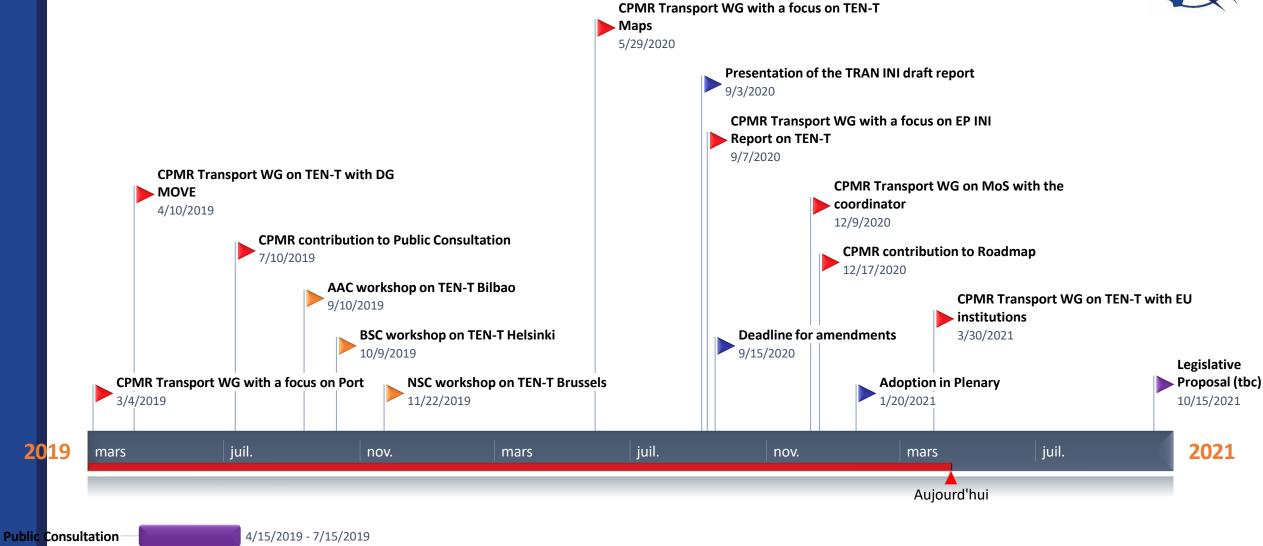
Higher share of the Transport envelope for the Comprehensive Network

## **Lobbying for TEN-T: Timeline**

**Public Consultation** 



2/8/2021 - 5/5/2021



# **Lobbying for TEN-T: Key Messages**



An Ambitious TEN-T that contributes to the Green Deal

A Punctual TEN-T that meets its deadlines

A Cohesive TEN-T that enhances territorial accessibility

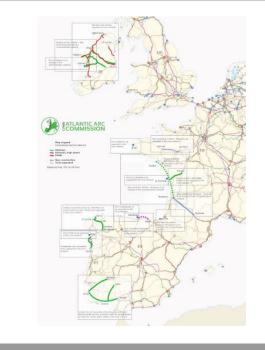
A Maritime TEN-T that embraces the potential of waterborne transport

A Modern TEN-T that looks at the future











# Lobbying for TEN-T: Amending the maps

- Work initiated in 2019
- Carried out by the transport working group of our 6 Geographical Commissions

## **Future Plans**

## Financing opportunities

- Ex-post analysis of CEF 2014-2020 with a focus on comprehensive ports
- 2021-2027 opportunities
- Transport in RRP

### Cohesion

- Extension of accessibility maps to Norway (depending on EC data)
- Working on accessibility criteria

