

CITIZENS' SUMMARY 2021

Operational Programme on “Transport and
Transport infrastructure”
2014-2020



FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION IN 2021 г.

TOTAL BUDGET

1 789 123 639 €



58%



Paid

GRANT AWARDED

1 557 510 950 €



PAID

1 045 465 943 €



CERTIFIED
EXPENDITURES

930 273 920 €



RAILWAY TRANSPORT IN 2021

Plovdiv - Burgas, Phase 2



In 2021, construction work began on a 37 km section between Orizovo and Mihailovo. The speed of the trains is planned to reach 160 km/h. This will allow passing through the section in 15 minutes, instead of 45. Building and reconstruction works are underway on the new building at Orizovo station and the existing one at Chirpan station. The construction of four overpasses in the area of the stations Han Asparuh, Nova Zagora, Chernograd, and Aytos is underway. The works on the signaling and telecommunication systems continue.

The rehabilitation of railway sections on the line Plovdiv - Burgas will improve the quality of the railway network, and will provide higher levels of safety and security.

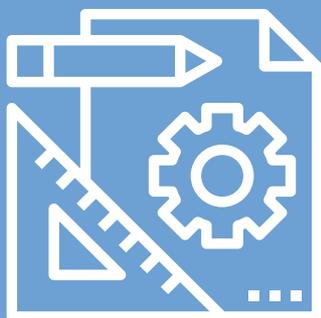
In 2021 the construction of the longest two-pipe railway tunnel in the Balkans with a length of 7 km started. It is part of the 20 km railway section Elin Pelin - Vakarel.

With the modernization of the railway infrastructure in the section Elin Pelin - Kostenetz, speeds of 160 km/h for passenger trains and 120 km/h for freight trains will be achieved. The project will meet European requirements for modern rail transport and high-speed rail for 53,000 residents living in the area of Elin Pelin and Kostenetz.



Elin Pelin - Kostenetz, Phase 1

Voluyak - Dragoman, Phase 1



The route is part of the project "Modernization of the railway line Sofia - Dragoman - Serbian border".

About 12 km of railway line will be doubled in the section Voluyak - Petarch, as well as a new railway station and a new station Kostinbrod will be built.

The construction of the Petarch - Dragoman section envisages the doubling of a 17 km railway section and the modernization of a 6,5 km single railway line, as well as the construction of a new Slivnitsa railway station and a new reception building in Petarch.

MODERNIZED RAILWAY STATIONS IN 2021

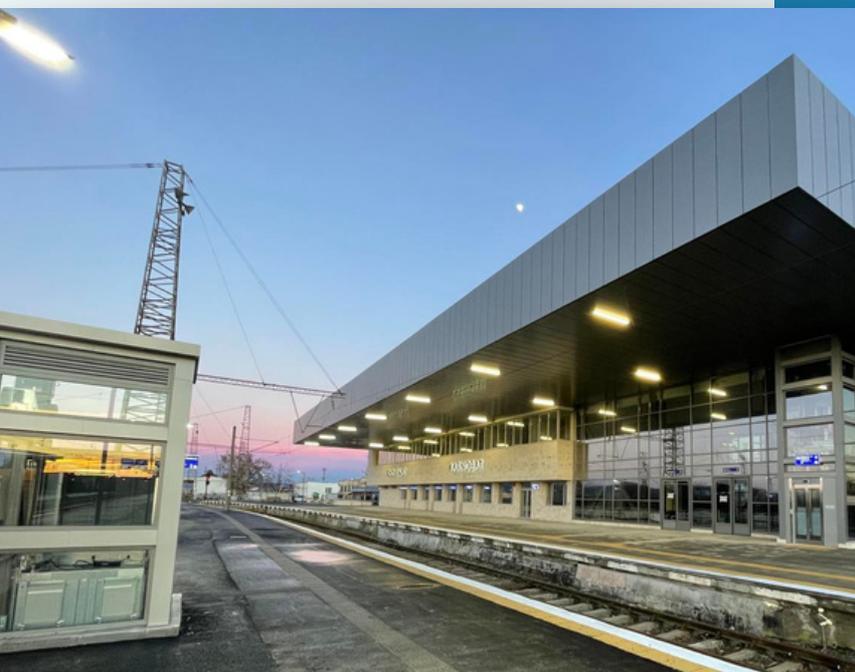
Kazichene

The modernized railway station was put into operation in 2021. A complete renovation was carried out with high-quality and energy-efficient materials, information boards were installed in order to provide better visibility for passengers. Up to all levels of the station complex, access is provided for people with reduced mobility. The pavements in the area of the station were replaced, as well as activities for landscaping, park development, and improvement of the areas were done.

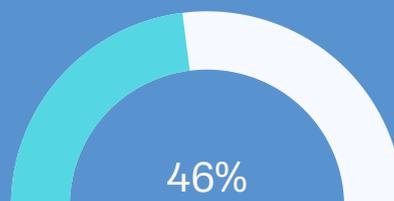


Karnobat

In 2021 the Karnobat station complex was completely renovated. The pedestrian underpass, the waiting room, the station platform have been repaired, a parking lot has been built, the pavements and cladding have been completely replaced, new furniture has been delivered and a room for mothers with children has been set aside. LED lighting, signs for visual communication, video, and fire alarm systems have been installed, and elevators have been installed. The modernized station provides a comfortable, safe and accessible environment for passengers and staff.



STATION
Iskar



STATION
Stara Zagora

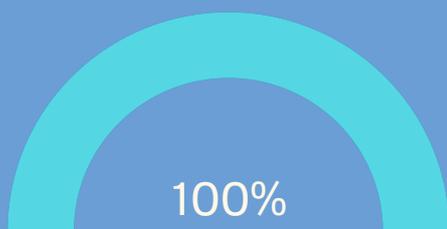


STATION
Nova Zagora

ROAD TRANSPORT IN 2021

STRUMA Motorway

In 2021 the construction of the upper part of the 15,000-ton bridge at Zheleznitza Tunnel of the Struma Motorway, Lot 3.1 was completed. The bridge is built using one of the most complex technologies in the construction of this type of structure to ensure its strength and stability. Construction work on Zheleznitza Tunnel also continued. The facility will have systems for energy-saving lighting, ventilation, video surveillance, fire alarm, traffic management, emergency SOS booths, audio and radio notification, and electronic access control system. The commissioning of Lot 3.1 of the Struma Motorway from Simitli to Zheleznitza Tunnel is expected to reduce several of the intersections to one level, thus increasing safety, security, speed, and comfort of travel in the region.



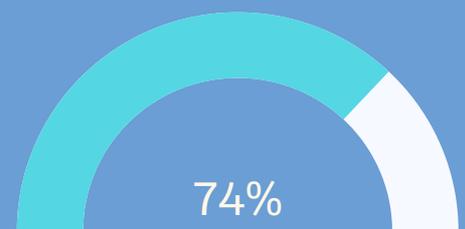
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KRESNA-SANDANSKI
SECTION



90%

“ZHELEZNITZA” TUNNEL



74%

BLAGOEVGRAD - KRUPNIK
SECTION

METRO IN 2021

Line 3 of METRO

In 2021, the section from Zhitnitsa Street to Gorna Banya on Line 3 of the Sofia metro was put into operation. A 3.8 km long metro section, 4 new metro stations and the Gorna Banya railway station on the Sofia-Pernik railway line have been built, including connection with Gorna Banya metro station. With the construction of Line 3, the metro not only connects the Gorna Banya and Ovcha Kupel neighborhoods with the city center, but also facilitates access to the capital for travelers on the railway route "Sofia - Pernik - Kulata".

More than 5,000 passengers a day pass through the Gorna Banya metro station. With this section of the modern city railway alone, more than 700 tons of harmful emissions are saved annually. More than 46,000 passengers a day use Line 3 of the Sofia metro.

According to OPTTI, automatic platform doors are being built on Lines 1 and 2 of the metro. By the end of 2021, such have been put into operation for 7 metro stations.

WATER TRANSPORT IN 2021

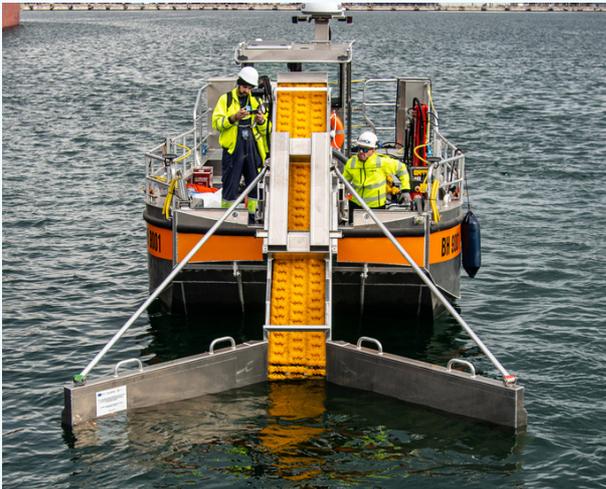
Executive Agency For Exploration and Maintenance of The Danube River

The project for modernization and optimization of the activities for rehabilitation of the Danube waterway aims to reduce the number of critical sections with limiting depths, which will lead to normal water traffic.

In 2021, the Yantra dredge was delivered - the first specialized ship that allows efficient and effective maintenance of the shipping route. The specialized equipment is complemented by a newly built pontoon and delivered shalan.



Bulgarian Ports Infrastructure Company



In 2021, the BPIC made significant progress in the framework of the project "Delivery, installation, and commissioning of port reception facilities in Bulgarian ports for the public transport of national importance." Indoor sites have been built with reception facilities for separate collection of waste from shipping activities in Ruse, Lom, Silistra, Varna, and Burgas.



INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION IN 2021



YOUTUBE

2 388 subscribers



FACEBOOK

2 651 subscribers



INSTAGRAM

535 subscribers



WWW.EUFUNDS.BG

66 230 unic visitors



2,1 million reached users on Youtube



1,4 million reached users on Facebook



0,6 million reached users on Instagram

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION IN 2021



**NATIONAL MEDIA
COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN**

**printed media
online media
social networks**



141 publications



55 thematic articles



11 million impressions



150 931 unique readings



**REGIONAL
RADIO CAMPAIGN**

**radio
social media
podcast**



broadcasted 3 100 items information
materials



1,8 million listeners per month



716 additional online publications
share

