



A shift to rail for a climate-neutral continent

We need to shift long-distance travel to more sustainable transport modes, particularly rail.



Rail has a much lower carbon footprint than other transport modes....

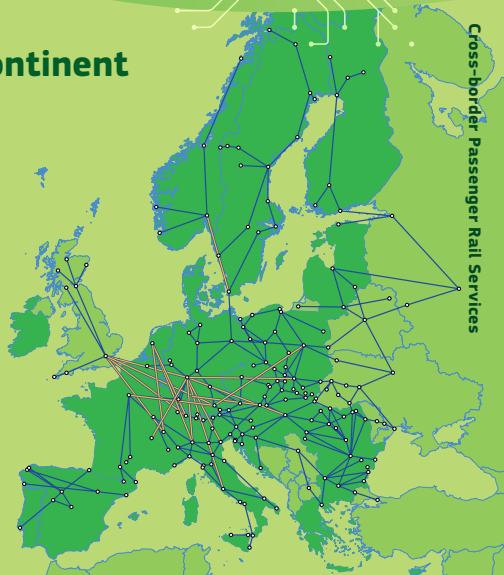


... and the potential to be powered completely by renewable sources!

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Cross-border Passenger Rail Services



Cross-border passenger rail needs a boost



**Proportion
of cross-border traffic
(EU27, 2018)**



7%
Passenger traffic



52%
Freighter traffic

**Long distance
cross-border passenger trains
PER WEEK**

2001



2019



SERVICE TYPE



Conventional



High Speed



Night



95%

increase in high
speed cross-border
services



65%

decrease in night
cross-border services



1%

increase in total
cross-border services

What might the future look like?

Night trains are seeing a renaissance and there is demand for new long-distance cross-border night train routes.

Some of these services are expected to be launched in the next few years.

 Demand potential for further routes





What's blocking progress?

There are a number of obstacles to cross-border services which are blocking progress.



Infrastructure charges are often higher than marginal costs



Ticketing systems are fragmented and complex



Public authorities face complex coordination when contracting services across borders



Infrastructure capacity is limited in places, particularly in cities



Good rolling stock is limited and not always interoperable



Technical, operational, and safety obstacles are significant