

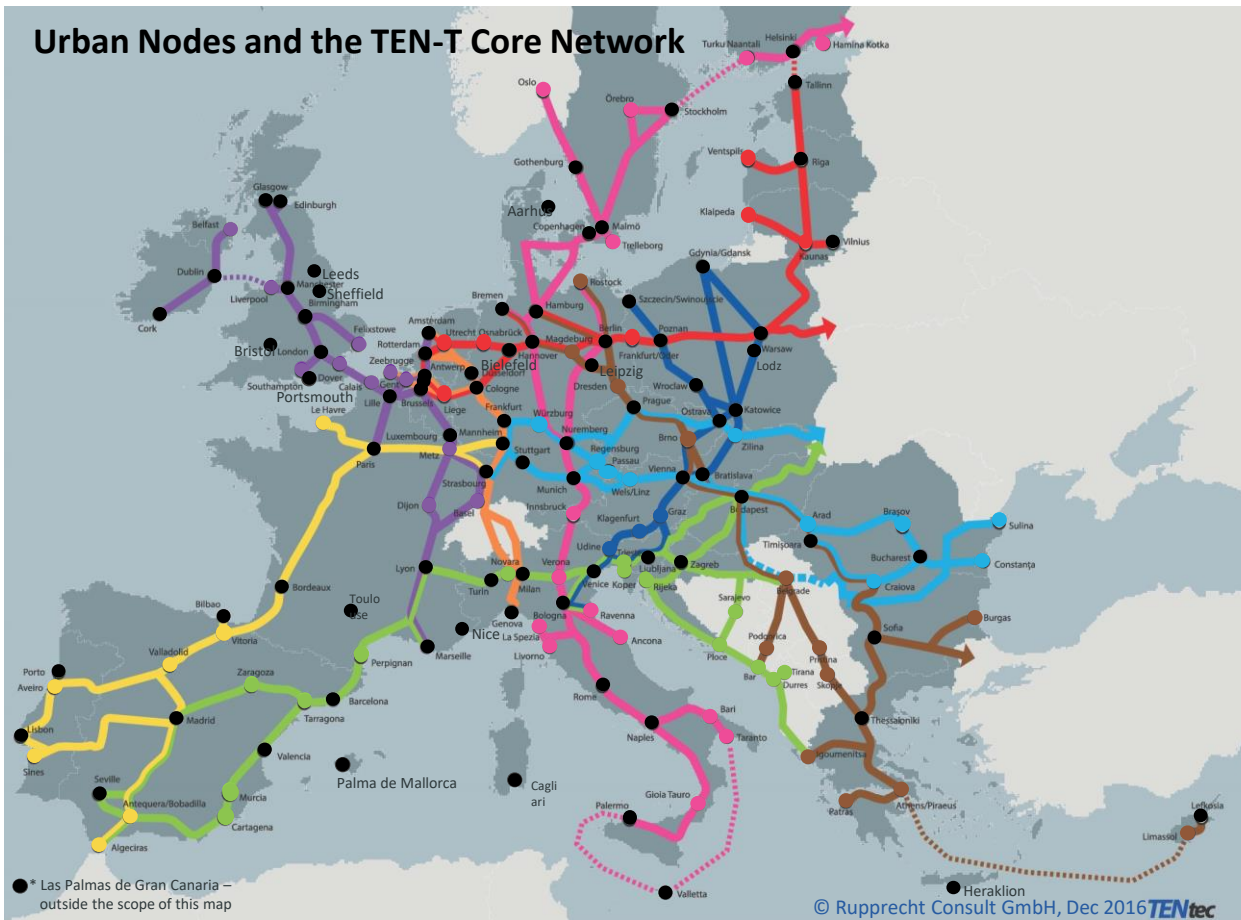
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Urban Nodes and the TEN-T Core Network



Urban nodes are vital for the TEN-T

- **intersections of transnational traffic flows**
- **interconnection and distribution functions between small and large-scale traffic**
- **access points** via modal sub-nodes (e.g. ports, railway stations, logistics platforms)
- can be designed as highly **effective interchanges**
- ... and must remain **attractive places to live**



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Key aspects

- **synergies** between transport, energy and digital sectors (e.g. for automation, alternative fuel infrastructure)
- increase in transport **budget** (14% in constant prices, including dual military-civilian use and cohesion fund contribution; 42.265.493.000€ for all sectors)
- stronger emphasis on **decarbonisation**, and **connected, sustainable, inclusive, safe and secure transport**
- **priority to further TEN-T development** (60%; 40% to modernising), focus on **cross-border projects with an EU added value**
- some **extension** of core network
- **urban nodes** are a priority (with multi-modal logistics platforms, ports, terminals, airport connections (Art.2.a.i) and sustainable freight (Art.2.b.iii))
- "actions to remove **interoperability** barriers, notably in **urban nodes**" (Art.2.b.v bis)
- <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/38507/st07207-re01-en19.pdf>



Examples of the draft recommendations with strong relation to cross-border cooperation

- Follow the **corridor approach** more systematically
 - system of LNG terminals on one corridor
 - coordinated alternative fuel infrastructure deployment
 - comprehensive truck parking strategy
- Improve cooperation and harmonisation **across borders**
 - infrastructure planning
 - harmonisation of operational rules
 - financial bonus for cross-border projects
 - transfer from US: multi-state Metropolitan Planning Organisations?



Breakout sessions: the experience of the urban nodes on their integration in the TEN-T network

- **Céline Oppenhauser**, City and Eurométropole of Strasbourg
- **Marcel Essers**, Stellwerk
- **Birgit Hendriks**, Eco2City



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