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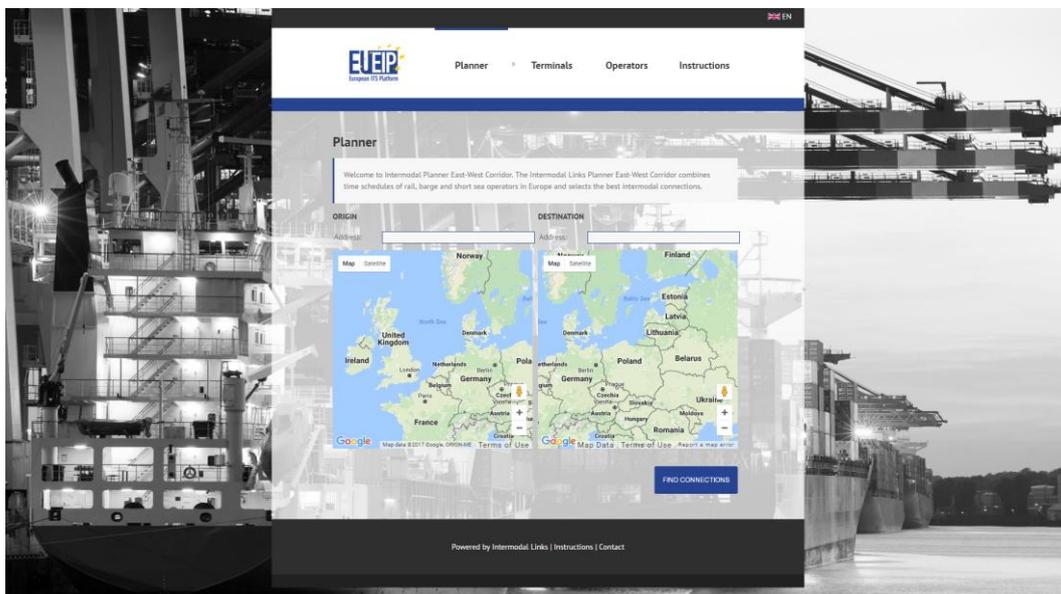
EU EIP launches intermodal route planner for East-West Corridor

The intermodal route planner is online since 30 January this year:

<https://eastwestcorridor.eu>

It is the first real intermodal Intelligent Transport System (ITS) within the European ITS Platform, and as such will be an example for other (corridor) projects in this field. It is free of charge and demonstrates how ITS can play a role for the better use of corridors, helping to realize European policies. The East-West Corridor integrates the European CEF corridors North Sea – Baltic and North Sea – Mediterranean, including links to crossing North – South corridors. A dedicated intermodal route planner on the East-West Corridor will increase the visibility of the intermodal transport services on the corridor. Logistics companies can save on costs and can reduce their environmental impact by using intermodal transport along the corridor. In addition, the intermodal route planner will function as a catalyst for cooperation on the East West corridor, since it will show that cooperation will lead to advantages that one cannot achieve on its own.

East-West Corridor Intermodal Route Planner



Source: Ecorys / Intermodal Links

The Intermodal Planner for the East-West Corridor is a web-based plug-in version of Ecorys' Intermodal Links and shows all possible intermodal connections in Europe with an origin and/or destination on the corridor. Intermodal Links is the first independent, online search engine that allows one to find the best and fastest container transport services between 900 terminals in 48 countries. The Intermodal Links Planner determines the optimal route out of more than 14,000 direct connections offered by 150 intermodal transport operators (rail, barge and short sea). With literally two mouse clicks all intermodal options between origin A and destination B will become visible, as well as the contact details of the intermodal operators and terminals. In general intermodal transport is more complex than road transport since it involves various parties (road haulage plus at least one intermodal operator, at least two terminals). The Intermodal Links Planner reduces this barrier to use intermodal transport.



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About EU EIP

ITS for Roads and interfaces to other modes has been applied by EU Member States with great success since decades as a necessary means to alleviate problems caused by an increasing demand for road transport. The EU ITS Platform (EU EIP) is the place where National Ministries, Road Authorities, Road Operators and partners from the private and public sectors of almost all EU Member States and neighbouring countries, cooperate in order to foster, accelerate and optimize current and future ITS deployments in Europe in a harmonized way. In order to foster cooperation and the necessary consensus between EU Member States, the EU ITS Platform will facilitate the establishment of a commonly understood state of the art and promoting the actual take-up of EU specifications, guidelines, best practices and/or methodologies. The EU EIP project is co-financed by the European Commission's Connecting Europe Facility. For more information: www.its-platform.eu

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