



KOSOVO*



Flagship 2 - Connecting North to South General Rehabilitation of Rail Route 10, Phase 2: Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje – Mitrovicë/Mitrovica Section

Rail Route 10 crosses Kosovo* from the north to the south, from the border with Serbia to the one with North Macedonia. It is part of the extension of the Core Network Corridors of the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T) into the Western Balkans. As such, it connects Kosovo's railway network with the regional and wider European network through Pan-European Railway Corridors VIII and X.

The route has a total length of 256 km, out of which 148 km is in Kosovo. The entire track is in poor condition, with severe structural constraints that limit traffic speeds to 60 km/h. **Its rehabilitation is the first major investment in the railway sector in Kosovo.** The EU-supported investment will enable outdated switches, tracks and sleepers to be replaced, as well as bridges and tunnels to be renovated.

This project is expected to yield significant benefits, including (i) creation of an interoperable railway network (ii) secure and efficient rail transport for approximately 50% of the population of Kosovo; (iii) passenger and freight capacity, as well as travel time significantly improved; (iv) reduced CO₂ emissions.



* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

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The route in Kosovo is being rehabilitated in 3 Phases, including **Construction Works & Signalling and Telecommunications.**

The estimated investments and funding for the Signalling and Telecommunications is included in the figures for phase 1 and 2, based on a 70/30 split.

Phase 1
Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje – border with North Macedonia (66 km)

Estimated investment: **€124.3m**
 WBIF EU grant: **€62.1m**
 Lead IFI: **EBRD**
 Co-financier: **EIB**

Status: **>50% of works completed**
 Estimated completion: **Q4 2023**

Phase 2 Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje – Mitrovicë/Mitrovica



34 km of railway track rehabilitated and upgraded



5 railway stations upgraded to TEN-T standards



Increase in passenger and freight travel speed to **100 km/h**

Estimated investment: **€68.4m**

WBIF EU grants: **€26.9m**

EBRD loan (est.): **€12.4m**

EIB loan (est.): **€24.5m**

EBRD grant: **€0.25m**

National contribution: **€4.4m**

Start of works: **Q4 2022**

Estimated completion: **2026**



Phase 3
Mitrovicë/Mitrovica – border with Serbia (48 km)

Estimated investment: **€100.9m**
 WBIF EU grant: **€1.4m***
 Lead IFI: **EBRD**
 Co-financier: **EIB**

Status: **Preliminary and detailed design preparation**
 Estimated completion: **TBD**

* An additional EU grant can be expected