

Passenger demand forecast and opportunities for Rail Baltica

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ITF Global Inter-urban Passenger Transport Model

Projection of key variables



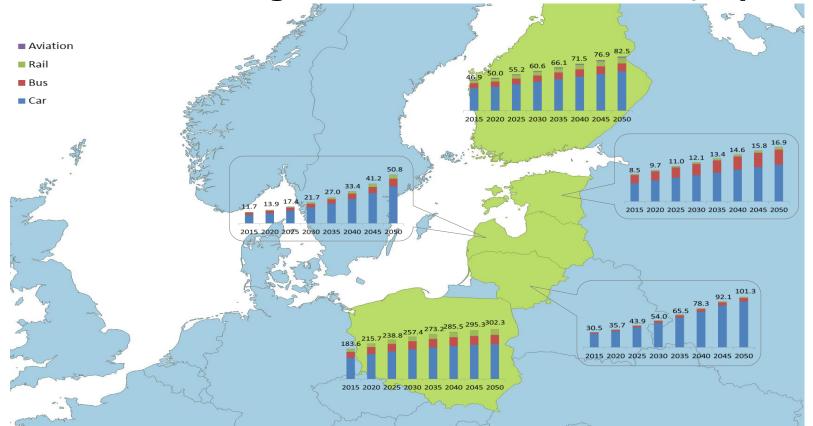


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Global Inter-urban Passanger Travel **Demand Forecast, billion pkm**





Inter-Urban Passenger Travel Demand Forecast, b pkm





ITF Global Inter-urban Passenger Transport Model

Demand Generation Sub-model

 Total Inter-urban mobility by country as a function of sociodemographic variables and transport supply characteristics.

Mode Share Sub-model

 It is a national PKM split model to explain the impacts of socio-economic variables, car ownership rate, transport supply, accessibility levels, among others, on the aggregated share of each transport mode in total passenger-kilometres travelled.



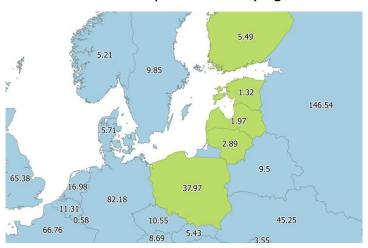
Comparison of Rail Baltica corridor with other HSR corridors

- Population
- Distance between cities
- Journey times



Population

- Total population relatively small (2016, Eurostat)
- City population comparable to that served by HSR lines (e.g. Turin 800k, Naples 960k, Lille 227k)



• Catchment area potentially increased with Helsinki - Tallinn tunnel (92km, 9-13b € estimated cost)



Distance between cities

- Tallinn Riga Kaunas Warsaw ~1000 km
- Similar HSR links:
 - Paris Lille: 333 km → Tallinn Riga or Riga Kaunas
 - Vilnius
 - -Madrid Barcelona: 621 km → Riga Warsaw
 - -Turin Naples: 900+ km → Tallinn Warsaw

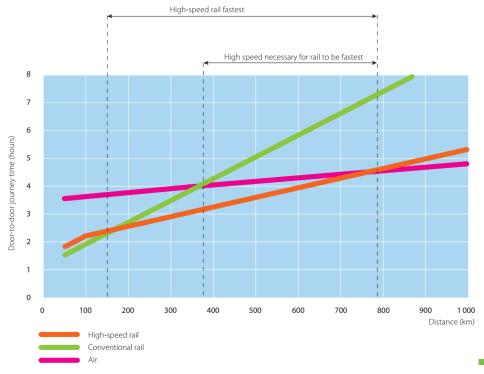








Journey times vs. distance for rail and air





Expected Impacts of Rail Baltica

- Mode shifts
- Rerouting
- Induced demand



Passenger Market to Western Europe

Mode shift

- Likely to occur from
 - Road (public, private)
 - Aviation
- On competing routes (including rail)
- Subject to competitive pricing



Passenger Market to Western Europe

Rerouting

- Rail line strategically placed to serve the airports
- Opportunities for airports to extend their catchment areas and develop as hubs (also for other markets), but also threats of increased competition



Regional Passenger Market

Potential for development of multimodal integration links

 Example: extension of the Tallinn's tram network to Lennart Meri airport





Regional Passenger Market

Extension of catchment areas for hubs of all modes:

- Opportunities to concentrate the flows of passengers and develop more direct services
- Increased competition between hubs and services (providing the same service), Different niches possible
- Labour market impacts e.g. commuters between the capitals



Additional considerations

- Issues to be adressed:
 - Capacity allocation between freight and passenger traffic
 - Infrastructure cost allocation
 - Operational issues relating to different speeds and equipment characteristics
- Impacts only possible if there are economic benefits (e.g. total door-to-door travel cost, including the value of time)



Thank you!

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