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"As Is" Federal subsidy scheme

WG 3 Support Mechanisms – 24/09/2020

# Background & figures

### Overview

✓Level playing field

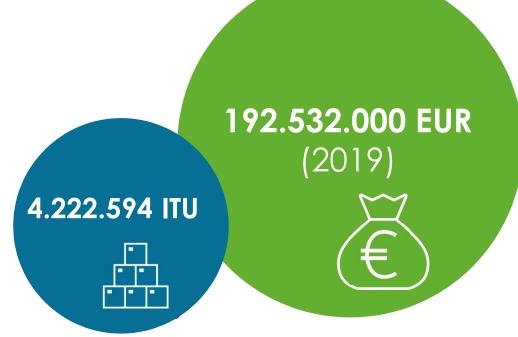
- ✓Financial support = cost effectiveness
- ✓Direct grant



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## **Combined transport**

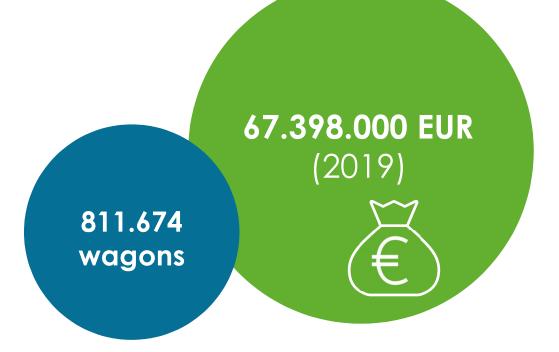
- ✓ Since 2005
- Extra costs: handlings in terminals, short distances...



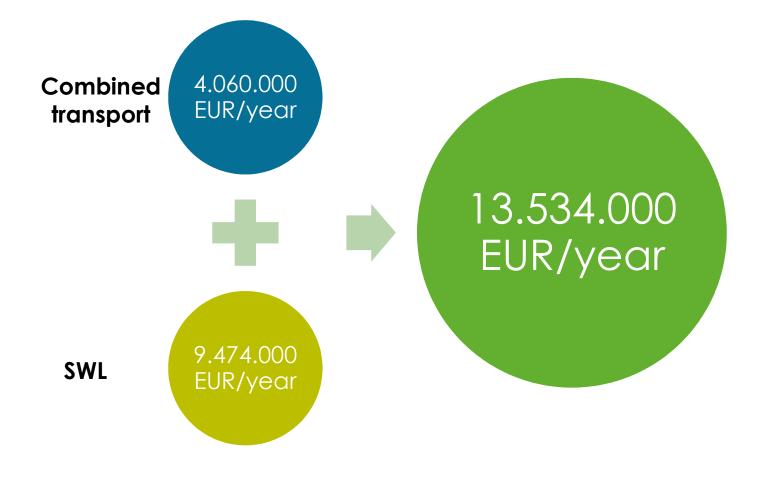
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### Single wagon load

- ✓ Since 2013
- Extra costs: first/last mile, staff, shunting locomotives...



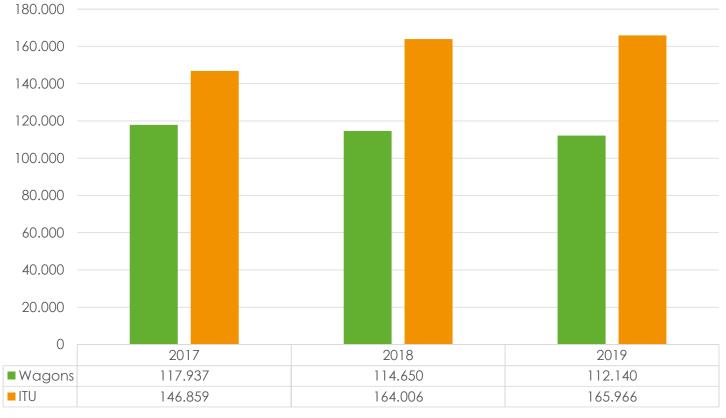
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#### **Evolution volumes**



<sup>■</sup>Wagons ■ITU

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#### Prolongation for the period 01/01/2021 to 31/12/2021 (COM decision 11/09/2020 - SA.57556)



## Scheme 2017/2020 – Principles

#### Framework

Community guidelines on State aid for railway undertakings (2008/C 184/07) Eligible costs

Necessity and proportionality of the aid (30 % of the total cost of rail transport)

Program law of 22 December 2008, as amended by the law of 5 May 2017 SWL

Royal Decree of 15 July 2009, as amended by the law of 5 May 2017 Combined transport

### **Principles**

Fixed annual budget

Beneficiaries: "who bears the financial burden"

### Single wagon load

- Beneficiaries: intermodal operators
- Grant/kilometer in Belgium 0,57 EUR/km
- Grant/wagon
- Grants conditions
  - Consignment letter
  - Only one grant/wagon => single application
  - Grants allocated/quarter, at any time
  - Max. 25 % annual budget/quarter
  - Threshold 30% eligible costs (see Community guidelines)

Year	EUR/wagon
2017	€ 80,32
2018	€ 82,63
2019	€ 84,48

### **Combined transport**

Beneficiaries: railway undertakings

Inland ITU transport

Between two transshipments facilities or two nodal points in Belgium

> 51 km

ITU bundling with international links

Grant according to the formula

([€/km] x ITU Km) + [fixed rate for handling]

Year	EUR/ITU
2017	€ 27,65
2018	€ 24,76
2019	€ 24,46

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ITU transport between ports

Block trains

> 51 km

Grant according to the formula

([€/km\*] x ITU Km) + [fixed rate for handling\*]

(\*different amount than inland ITU transport)

Grants allocated/quarter, at any time

Max. 25 % annual budget/quarter > prorata for the remain of the year

Threshold 30% eligible costs (see Community guidelines)

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#### Competition with inland waterways (combined transport)

- Advisory committee (Federal & regions)
- Prevents distortion of competition
- Mechanism
  - 50% of the grant if the awarded service causes no diversion of existing inland WW offer
  - No grant if there is a diversion of existing inland WW offer



## Questions to the floor

### We are happy to hear about

your experience with the current scheme and abroad?

your expectations toward a new scheme?





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Thank you for your attention

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