

EMR Euregio Meuse-Rhine

The potential of the ECBM in the Euregio Meuse-Rhine

Working Group on Innovative Solutions to Cross Border obstacles

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1) *The Euregio Meuse-Rhine*



- Europe in miniature
- 5 partner regions
3 countries, 3 languages
- about 4 Mio inhabitants
in a territory of 11.000 km²
- 250.000 companies,
5 universities, 19 graduate
schools, 300 research
institutes, 110.000 students
- Harbours, airports,
TGV railway stations



1) *The Euregio Meuse-Rhine*



- One of the oldest Euregio's created in 1976
- Becoming a EGTC
- Numerous services and networks
- Strategy EMR2020



EMR2020

Een **toekomststrategie**
voor de Euregio Maas-Rijn

Eine **Zukunftsstrategie**
für die Euregio Maas-Rhein

Une **stratégie d'avenir**
pour l'Euregio Meuse-Rhin

A **future strategy**
for the Euregio Meuse-Rhine



www.euregio-mr.eu



www.interregemr.eu

region
aachen



provincie limburg



2) Methodology

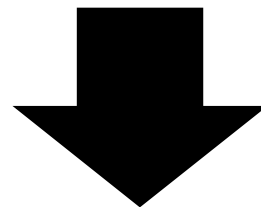


Three-steps approach

(1)

Identification as **service of general economic interest**
(provided in a given cross-border region)

OR as a **joint project as an item of infrastructure**
(with impact in a given cross border region)

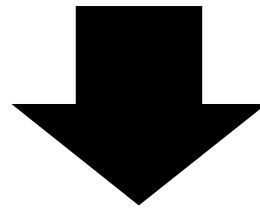


2) Methodology



Three-steps approach

(1) Service of general economic interest OR joint project as an item of infrastructure?



(2)

Legal or administrative obstacle encountered for the implementation of the service as to *its planning, development, staffing, financing and functioning?*

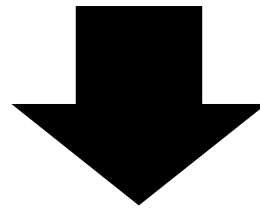


2) Methodology



Three-steps approach

(2) Legal or administrative obstacle?



(3)

Application in one Member State of the legal provisions from another Member State (with regard to a cross-border region), limited to the strict minimum with regard to both the territory it covers and its duration.





**Projects and services facilitated
through the Euregio Meuse-Rhine**



3) Services of general economic interest



3. 1. Labour market

3. 1.1 Cross-border employment services (SGA)

3. 1.2 Cross-border workers



3. 2. Security

3. 2.1 Crisis intervention and emergency management

3. 2.2 Police cooperation



3) Services of general economic interest



3. 3. Health care



3. 4. Mobility and infrastructure

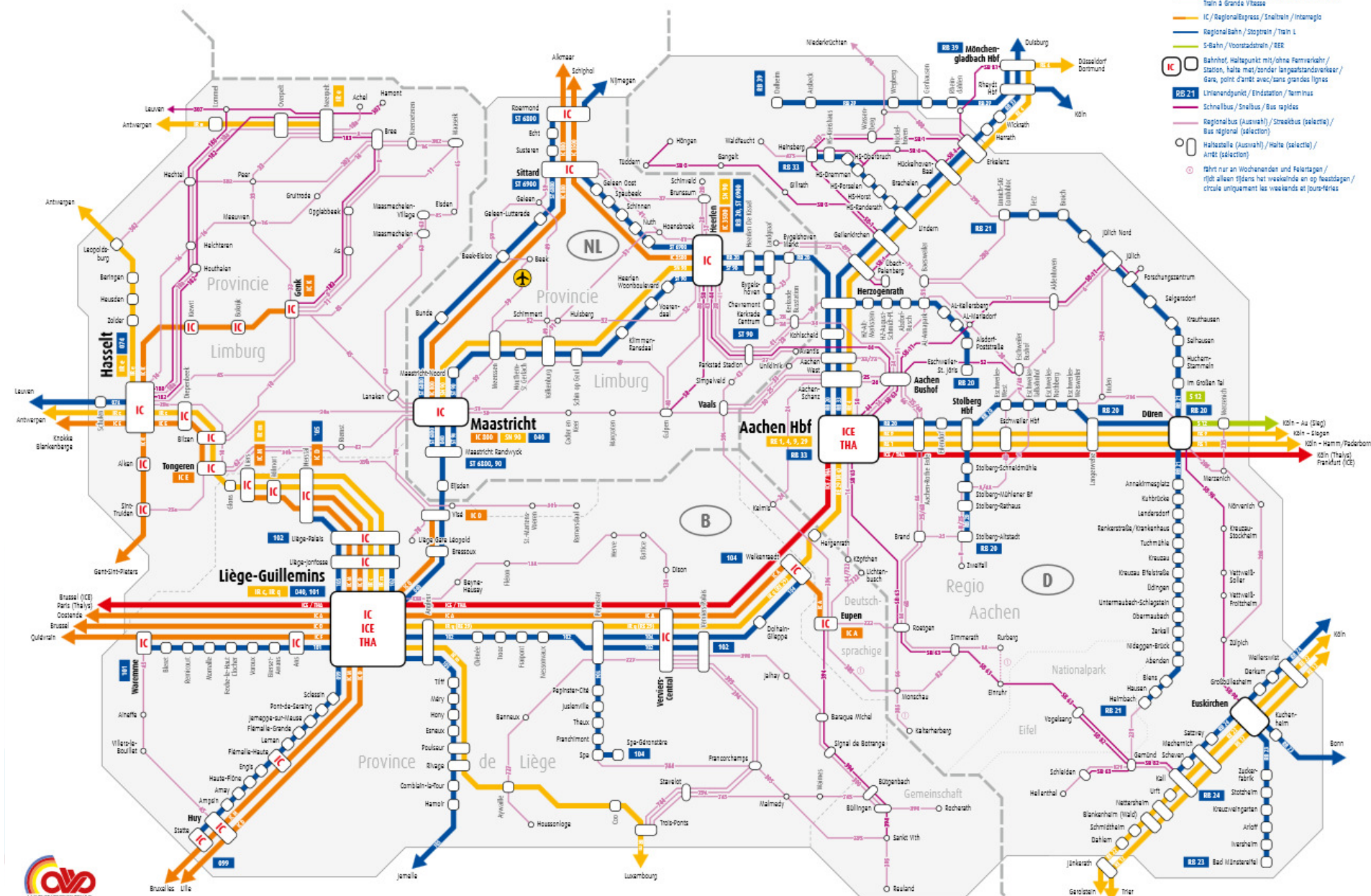
3. 4.1 Cross-border public infrastructure

3. 4.2 Cross-border building project ARION



Legende - Legende

- Hochgeschwindigkeitszug / Hoge snelheidstrein / Train à Grande Vitesse
- IC / RegionalExpress / Snelreis / Interegio
- RegionalBahn / Stoptrein / Train L
- S-Bahn / Voorstadsrein / RER
- Bahnhof, Haltepunkt mit/ohne Park-and-Ride-Station, halte mat/onder langparkeerplaatsen / Gare, point d'arrêt avec/sans grandes places
- RB 21: Linieneindpunkt / Eindestation / terminus
- Schnellbus / Snelbus / Bus rapides
- Regionalbus (Auswahl) / Streekbus (selectie) / Bus régional (selection)
- Haltestelle (Auswahl) / Halte (selectie) / Arrêt (selection)
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grenzenlos –
grenzenloos –
sans frontières!



mobilityeuregio



4) Joint projects as an item of infrastructure

4. 1. Mobility and infrastructure

4. 1.1 Cross-border public infrastructure

4. 1.2 Road signage system

4. 2. Public procurement

4. 2.1 Cross-border joint projects



5) *Concluding remarks*

As more and more cross-border cooperation and integration of services (*needed as borders are open*)



Face **small administrative and legal hurdles** to set-up cross-border services or projects easing cross-border mobility



European Cross-Border Mechanism **ECBM = useful tool**

