

# AGREEMENT

of 11 June 2018

regarding continued cooperation aimed at the achievement of common goals:  
to improve transport accessibility of our regions, cities and municipalities,  
made between:

<p><b>Baltic-Link Association</b> </p> <p>(cities: Alvesta, Borås, Emmaboda, Gislaved, Gnosjö, Kalmar, Karlskrona, Lessebo, Ronneby, Svenljunga, Sävsjö, Tingsryd, Tranemo, Värnamo, Växjö; regions: Blekinge, Jönköping, Kalmar, Kronoberg, Västra Götaland; companies: Stena Line Scandinavia AB)</p> <p><b>Sweden</b></p>	<p> ARCA Amber Road Cities Association</p> <p>(cities: Częstochowa, Gdynia, Gliwice, Kowal, Łódź, Radomsko, Toruń)</p> <p><b>Poland</b></p>	<p> Stowarzyszenie Polskich Regionów Korytarza Transportowego Bałtyk-Adriatyk</p> <p>(voivodeships: Pomorskie, Kujawsko-Pomorskie, Mazowieckie, Łódzkie, Śląskie, Wielkopolskie, Zachodniopomorskie)</p> <p><b>Poland</b></p>
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1. As we continue to develop our cooperation between the associations, their member cities and partner regions, our common goal is to:

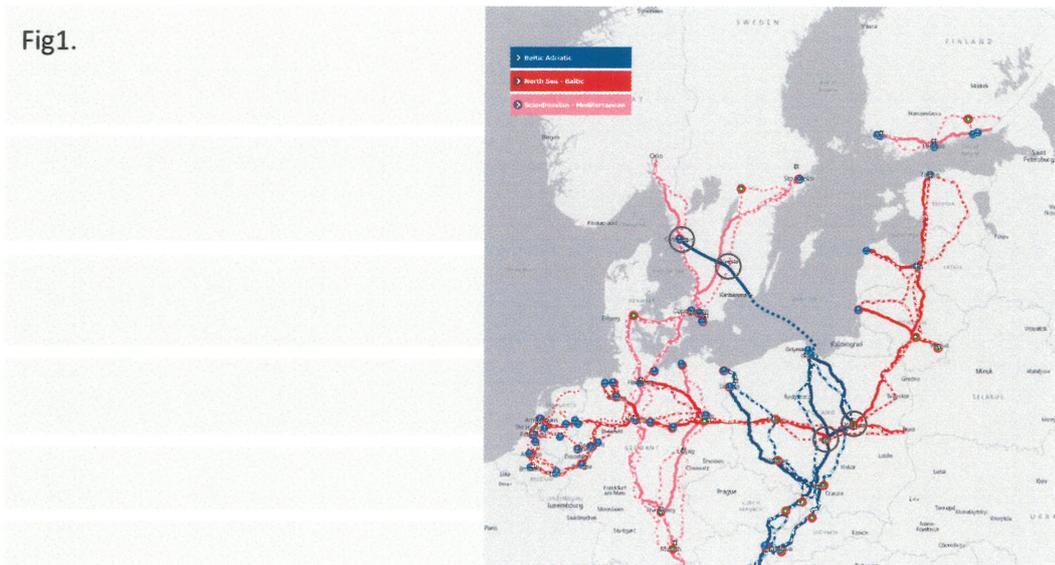
**include the Baltic Link transport corridor in the TEN-T core network (Baltic-Adriatic Corridor) - as a result of the joint initiative “Baltic Link - The Gdynia-Karlskrona Motorway of the Sea” (MoS).**

2. As we recognise that the goals of the Trans-European transport network are directly relevant for citizens of the cities and regions represented by our associations, we decide to continue and develop joints efforts to support economic cooperation and mobility of citizens, based on the TEN-T infrastructure and its growing importance within the single transport system of the Baltic Sea Region.

3. We acknowledge that the focus of the cooperation will be in the zone between the Karlskrona TEN-T node and ScanMed's Alvesta and Göteborg transport nodes in Sweden and in the zone between the Gdańsk-Gdynia node and the North Sea-Baltic's Łódź and Warszawa nodes in the Republic of Poland.

We recognise both zones of cooperation as the MoS's impact zone (Fig1).

Fig1.



4. To achieve the goals identified under 1 - 3, we establish the *Platform of Cooperation for a consistent development of the Baltic Link corridor and the Baltic-Adriatic Corridor based on the MoS, later referred to as Platform.*

The *Platform* is made up of representatives of the signatories to this Agreement and its supporting partners: the stakeholders of the Baltic-Adriatic Corridor, the Gdynia-Karlskrona motorway of the sea and the Baltic-Link Corridor.

5. The following is established:

5.1. **Steering Committee for the Agreement** made up of its signatories with a lead partnership to rotate every six months.

From 1 July 2018 the Agreement's lead Partner shall be Amber Road Cities Association.

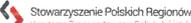
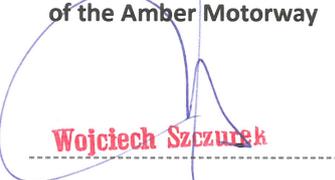
5.2. The lead Partner's term of office shall end with a meeting of the Platform.

The lead Partner represents the signatories to this Agreement before EU institutions and relevant international organisations.

6. The Platform's first meeting will be in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018.

The meeting will present the proposal of the road map for the purpose of the Agreement, the Platform's Rules and Regulations and the position at the Forum of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (Gdańsk - 12-13 June 2019).

7. The Steering Committee publishes annual communications to inform about the progress towards the goals set out in 1-3 of the Agreement.

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