1. Rail Baltica
2. Helsinki to Tallinn Tunnel

**Points : economical and political**

**A new economic corridor.**

Connection between the [Baltic States](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Baltic_States) and the biggest economic centers.

Connection between Nord, East and Central Europe contributes to:

* Increasing of new cargo flows
* Development of connected industries&infrastructure *(Railway stations, city transportation, connecting roads)*
* development of logistics services
* tourism
* new working place
* favorably influence prices of goods sold in partner-countries
* reduction of traffic congestion

*Rail Baltica creates the possibility to shift the major freight transport in the regions from road to rail, which for the time being is transported towards* [*Russia*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russia) *and then north by heavy trucks.*

**Political point.**

*The intention of the Rail Baltic project is to fully integrate Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania in the whole European transportnetwork.*

* Integration of new EU countries.
* Cooperation of partner countries of EU on the international level

**Benefits**

* **Travel safety**
* **Shorter travel time**
* Cost savings
* productive travel time
* environmentally friendly way of travelling

**Criticism**

- argues between the countries about the route(biggest cities such Vilinius, Tartu are not included)

- building new railway instead of upgrading the existing network

- The differents between gauge in partner countries.

- questions about cost effectiveness in the nearest future