# How JASPERS can help prepare projects & proposals Alberto González Sánchez June, 2019







# What is JASPERS?



Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions

- Partnership between the European Commission (EC) and the European Investment Bank (EIB)
- Established in 2006 in collaboration with DG REGIO
- Independent advice on strategic planning and project preparation









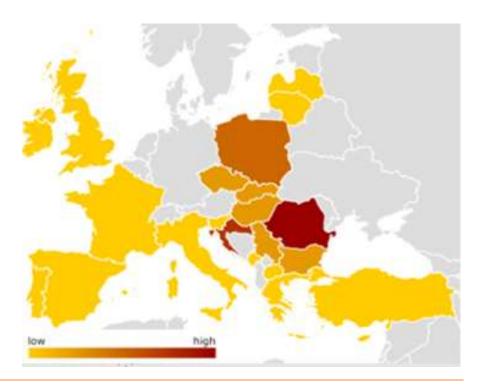








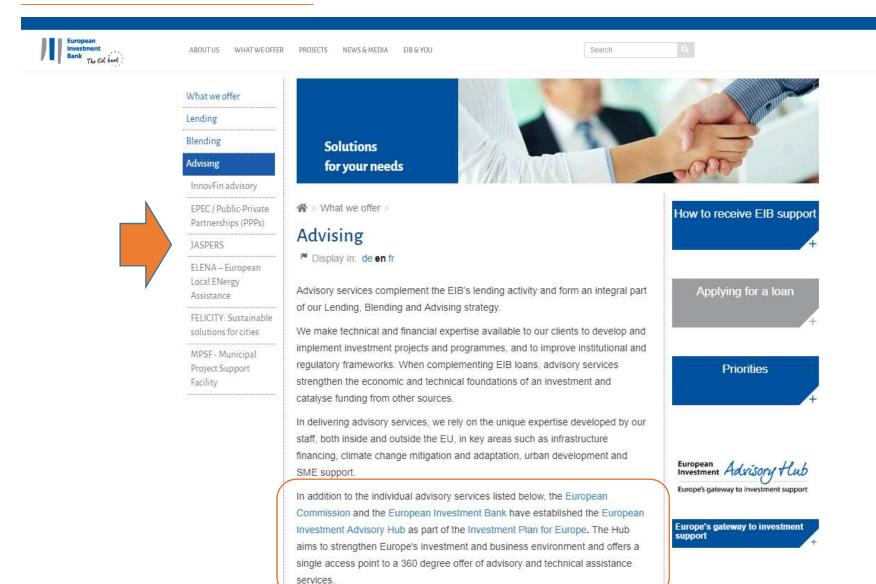




#### Part of the EIB Advisory Services



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#### Impact



More than **660**JASPERS-supported projects approved since 2007

For a total project cost of over EUR **120**bn

and EU grant volume of over EUR **69**bn

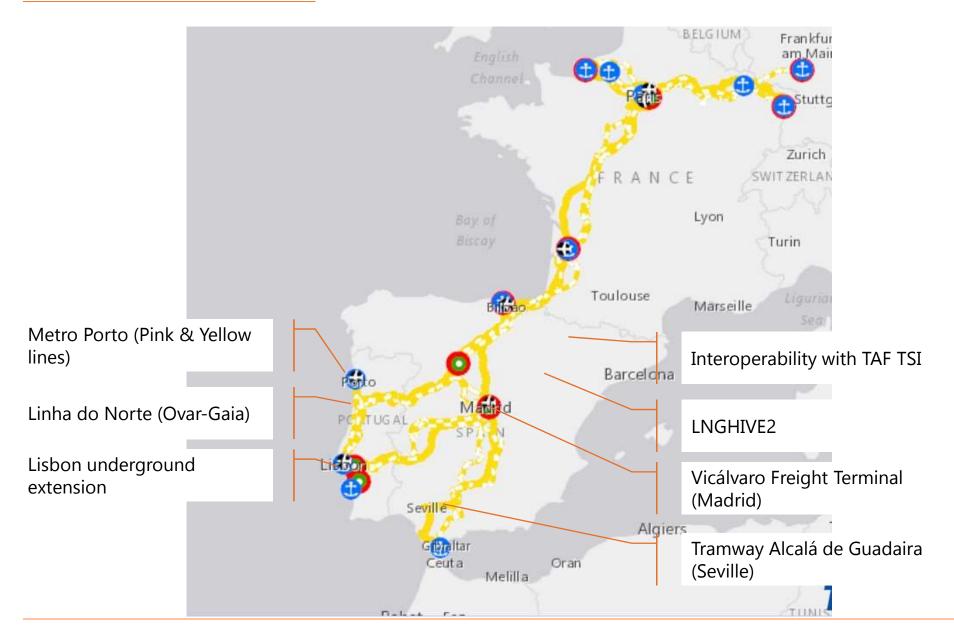
Nearly **1000** Assignments completed

Of which, transport projects

EUR 90br

#### Impact





#### How do we work?



#### **Principles:**



Proximity to beneficiaries with over 100 staff in four regional offices



Comprehensive approach covering the whole project cycle



Hands-on approach with inhouse expertise (very limited use of consultants).



The earlier the involvement, the higher the value added.

## JASPERS approach to ERTMS



- Preferred implementation: GSM-R network wise, ETCS corridor wise, electronic interlocking system project wise
- Qualified staff needed for the design, operation and maintenance of ERTMS
- Benefits of ERTMS not achieved when
  - Priority given to traditional operation rules and protection of existing systems, especially when designing
  - Poorly planned/managed transitional period. Lack of consideration of the related safety risks
  - "Eternal" redundant legacy systems (ERTMS and national systems)

## Examples concerning ERTMS



- Deployment of international wireless communications standard for railway along Hungarian lines (GSM-R Stage 2)
- Implementation of European radio communications standard for railway operations in Poland (GSM-R)
- Assessment of the Strategy of ERTMS Implementation in Czech Republic
- Preparation of the National Implementation Plan of the ERTMS for railway lines within the territory of the Republic of Serbia
- Implementation of ERTMS on rail corridor X (The Republic of North Macedonia)
- Implementation of ERTMS in the railway network (Croatia)
- Development of ERTMS along the Railway line "Sofia-Pernik-Radomir-Kulata"
- Signalling and ERTMS implementation on CZ/SK state border Kuty -Devinska section

#### Transition to low-emission transport



#### The way forward

Why, where, how, when, how much...

- Reconcile strategic priorities with the actual local needs
- Retaining or improving the quality of the system throughout and beyond the transition
- Local constraints (e.g. climate) potentially affecting the effectiveness or suitability of certain solutions
- Risks inherent to technological change, potentially affecting operations, fleet size or O&M cost
- Accommodation within the institutional set-up
- Maturity / track record of some low emission technologies
- Missing organizational and technical skills at the local level

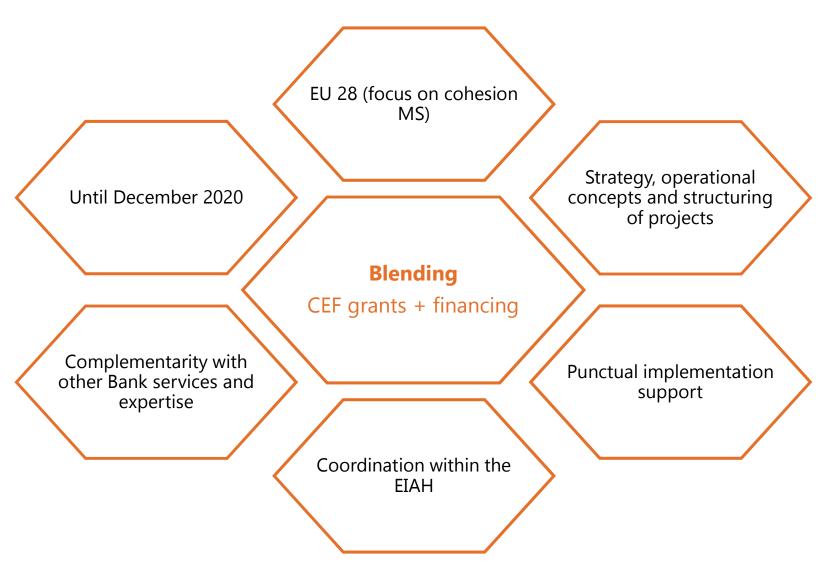
#### Examples of urban projects



- Support for potential beneficiaries in the preparation of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (Poland)
- Purchase of 130 low-floor low-emission busses for Warsaw (Poland)
- Olsztyn Tram Line N°2 (Poland)
- Budapest Node (Hungary)
- Zagreb (Node)
- Mondego mobility system (Portugal)
- Metro do Porto Pink Line | Casa da Música S. Bento (Portugal)
- Bucharest Metro Line 2 Station Rehabilitation (Romania)

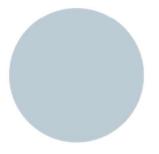
### Mandate J-CEF 2 Support





# Three key ideas









Maturity as a key criteria

Free of charge

Approval by the National Authorities and the relevant DG

Impact derived from our input to the project/plan

But not free of cost

Final report also shared with Managing Authority and the EC



#### More information:

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