

Copenhagen, 20.11.2025

Memorandum of Understanding

on the implementation of the project

“Pioneer DAC Trains (Pio DAC)”

By referring to the Grant Agreement signed by the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA) and the project coordinator Trafikverket on 16.10.2025,

By confirming the substance of the 2023 DAC Sector Statement, which was signed by more than 50 companies and sector organisations,

By acknowledging our responsibility in advancing the European rail freight sector by validating the outcome of the European Flagship Project 5 TRANS4M-R in commercially operated freight trains,

we, the consortium partners are ready to

- ❖ **work closely** together to achieve the best possible outcome from the PioDAC project,
- ❖ **cooperate** with all European and national institutions and stakeholders supporting the introduction of the Digital Automatic Coupler (DAC) in Europe,
- ❖ **liaise** with the European supply industry for the technical and operational validation of the components supplied to improve them for the envisaged DAC roll-out,
- ❖ **actively exchange** with all European and national DAC fora by providing regular updates on the status of project,
- ❖ **support** all initiatives on the level of Member States and / or third countries to realise additional Pioneer DAC Trains,
- ❖ **deliver and publish** the necessary documentation in order to serve the European rail freight sector with the basis for deciding on how to proceed after the finalisation of PioDAC.

Signatory's

Train Austria

Train Germany

FS Logistix (Italy)

Train Luxembourg

Train Norway

Train Slovenia

Train Sweden

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Trafikverket as coordinator.

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