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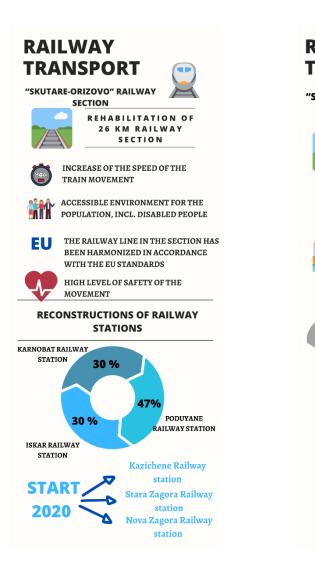
Operational Programme on "Transport and Transport Infrastructure" 2014 - 2020



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#### OPTTI in 2019



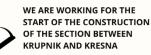


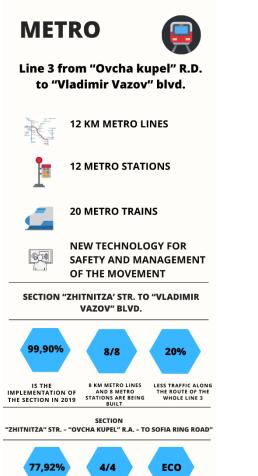




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"ZHELEZNITZA" TUNNEL WITH LENGTH OF 2 KM HAS STARTED



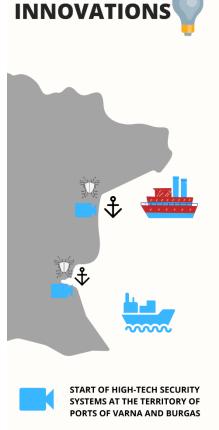


4 KM METRO LINES AND

THE SECTION IN 2019 4 METRO STATIONS ARE ECOLOGICAL PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION OF THE CAPITAL CITY

IMPLEMENTATION OF

IT IS THE BIGGEST





SYSTEMS CONTROL THE RISK AND **INCREASE CONSIDERABLY** THE SAFETY AT THE TERRITORY OF PORTS OF VARNA AND BURGAS



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### Programme's budget





**633** million EUR railway infrastructure

**714** million EUR road infrastructure





**424** million EUR metro and intermodality

**70** million EUR management and service innovations



OPTTI implementation goes through different challenges, difficulties, but nevertheless meets success.

*In 2019 the road sector projects keep the pace in positive direction.* 

Both major projects for the construction of Sofia metro Line 3 are being implemented.

The rate of investments in the railway sector and in innovation projects has remained not enough sufficient.

Due to the fact that main milestones have not been achieved a reallocation of the performance reserve between the Priority Axes of the Programme has been undertaken in 2019.



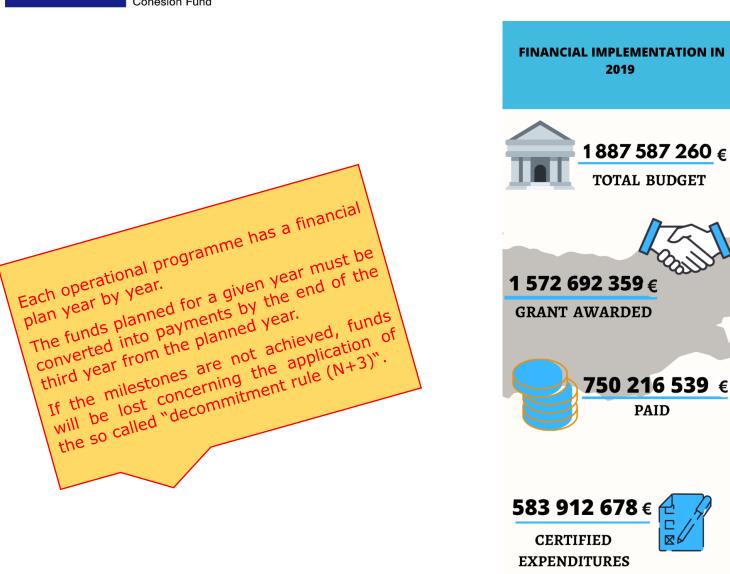
plan year by year.

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#### **Financial implementation**









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#### Railway transport



**Railway section "Skutare – Orizovo"** 





The reconstruction of **26 km railway section** "**Skutare - Orizovo**" (part of the railway line "Plovdiv - Burgas") has been completed.

Rehabilitation activities have been carried out **on the railway and the contact network**, including on the main tracks at Manole and Belozem stations.

With the implementation of the contract was achieved:

- increase of the speed of trains;
- ensuring a high degree of traffic safety;
- accessible environment for the population, including disabled people;
- The railway line in the section has been harmonized in accordance with the EU standards.

The contract for the modernization of the **railway section** "Elin Pelin – Vakarel" (part of the project "Elin Pelin – Kostenetz") has been signed.

The section is about 20 km long and is the most difficult for implementation along the entire route.

Its scope includes the construction **of the largest railway tunnel in Bulgaria, with a length of 6,8 km.** 



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## Railway transport (railway stations)



The reconstruction of six railway stations is financed under OPTTI: Poduyene, Iskar, Kazichene, Karnobat, Stara Zagora and Nova Zagora



The reconstruction of three railway stations has started – **Karnobat, Poduyene and Iskar.** 

The physical implementation of the projects is as follows: for Karnobat - 30%, for Poduyene - 47% and for Iskar - 30%.



Visualization of railway station Nova Zagora



Visualization of railway station Stara Zagora

The construction works for the other three railway stations: **Kazichene, Stara Zagora and Nova Zagora** are planned to start in 2020.



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#### Road transport



**6,5 km** under Lot 3.1 of "Struma" Motorway were completed and opened in May 2019.

**The archeological artifacts** discovered on the motorway route near Pokrovnik village have been removed.

Two viaducts, two agricultural underpasses, two bridges over Logodashka and Struma river and one overpass **have been built.** 

On national level measures are being taken in order to mitigate the negative environmental impact under **Lot 3.2 of "Struma" Motorway** construction. It is necessary to meet all European environmental norms and requirements.

**The actual construction of the "Zheleznitsa" tunel** and the adjoining road sections has been commenced.

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**The tunnel** will be **the longest road tunnel** built so far in Bulgaria - **2 km** long.

It will have two separate traffic pipes and all the necessary lighting, ventilation, video, fire alarm systems as well as intelligent traffic management systems, etc.







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**8 km of metro lines and 8 metro stations** under the project for the central section from "Zhitnitza" street to "Vladimir Vazov" blvd. from Sofia metro Line 3 have been completed. The section is planned to be put into operation in 2020.

**20 metro trains** were delivered to the Zemlyane depot and tested in a test section. The trains have the possibility of autonomous unmanned control.

**Sofia metro Line 3** will have a new generation of automation and traffic safety and control systems.







MS "Orlov most"



Automatic platform partition doors



MS "NDK 2"



Laying of Metrolines



MS "Krasno selo"

MS "Blvd. Bulgaria"

**4 km of metro lines and 4 metro stations** are being constructed on extension of Sofia metro Line 3 from "Zhitnitza" str. – "Ovcha Kupel" R.A. – to Sofia ring road"

**Sofia metro Line 3 is the biggest ecological project in the capital.** With its construction **20% reduction of the traffic** is expected **in the sections through which the metro passes.** 



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#### Sociological survey

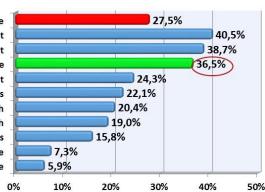


In April 2019 the **First nationally representative survey for OPTTI** among outer target groups, aged 15+ years, was conducted.

Various topics were covered: information about the travel patterns of the Bulgarians; the ways they get informed and their media behavior; opinion about infrastructural projects, financed with the European support, etc.

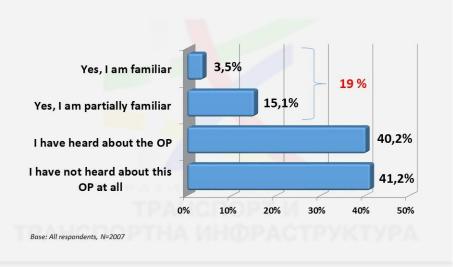
Which of the following operational programmes implemented in Bulgaria during the current programming period 2014-2020 have you heard about? (Closed question. Each answer is correct.)





Base: All respondents, N=2007

#### Would you describe yourself as familiar with OP Transport and Transport Infrastructure 2014-2020?





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#### Sociological survey



You can find more information about the survey and OPTTI 2014-2020 here: https://www.eufunds.bg/bg/optti/node/3127

#### What is your overall attitude towards OP Transport and Transport Infrastructure 2014-2020? (% of those familiar + have heard about OP, i.e. 59% or 1180 resp.)



Base: Respondents who are familiar and have heard about OPTTI, N=1180

#### Which of the following types of transport do you use primarily when travelling in Bulgaria?



Base: Respondents who travel outside of their permanent residence, N=1750



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# Information and communication



The project for the extension of Sofia metro had been presented in front of participants in a seminar for journalists in Brussels about "Kaleidoscope of the European investments today and tomorrow"

OPTTI railway project has been awarded in a competition of the European Commission under the initiative "*Europe in my region*":

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=6HkqaZqJIbE



Few of the Bulgarian infrastructural transport projects, built with the financial support of OPTTI, have been distinguished in another **competition of the European Commission and as an award printed on post cards** 







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### **OPTTI** in the digital space



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**OPTTI Internet site** has become part of the common Internet portal for information and management of the Structural and Cohesion Funds in Bulgaria: <u>https://www.eufunds.bg/bg/optti</u>



**The official You tube channel of OPTTI** has about 500 thousands views and more than 870 subscribers.

**The most views video-material** is "Struma" motorway: "Krupnik – Kresna" - 3D visualization of Lot 3.2.

https://goo.gl/n6QagT



**Instagram profile of OPTTI** has 133 subscribers and more than 170 actual photos and videos of the projects of the programme published.

**The most watched video** is about the newly constructed metro station "Krasno selo" – *it has reached almost 1000 users of the platform*.

https://goo.gl/3lEwuB