



The European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA)

Funding a green future for Europe

*Seventeenth meeting of the
CEF Transport Advisory Group
Brussels 22 January 2024*

1. Welcome

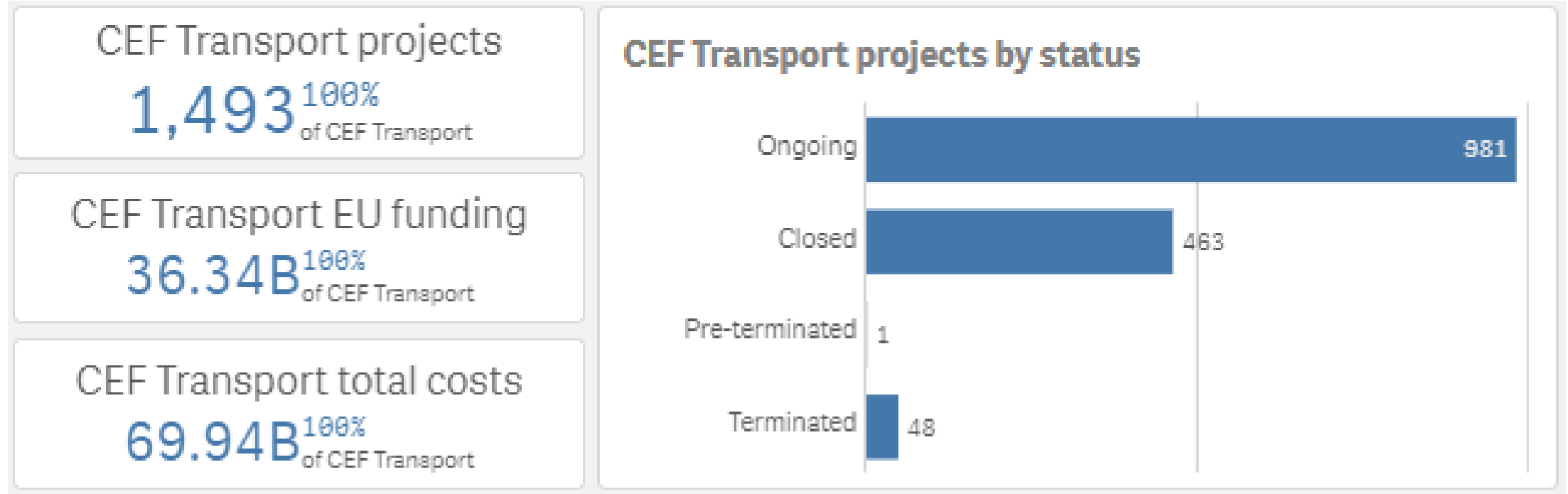
Paloma Aba Garrote – CINEA Director

draft Agenda

1. Welcome by the Chair
2. CEF Transport portfolio management
3. Duration of CEF 2 projects
4. Topics raised by the Members
5. AoB

2. CEF Transport portfolio management

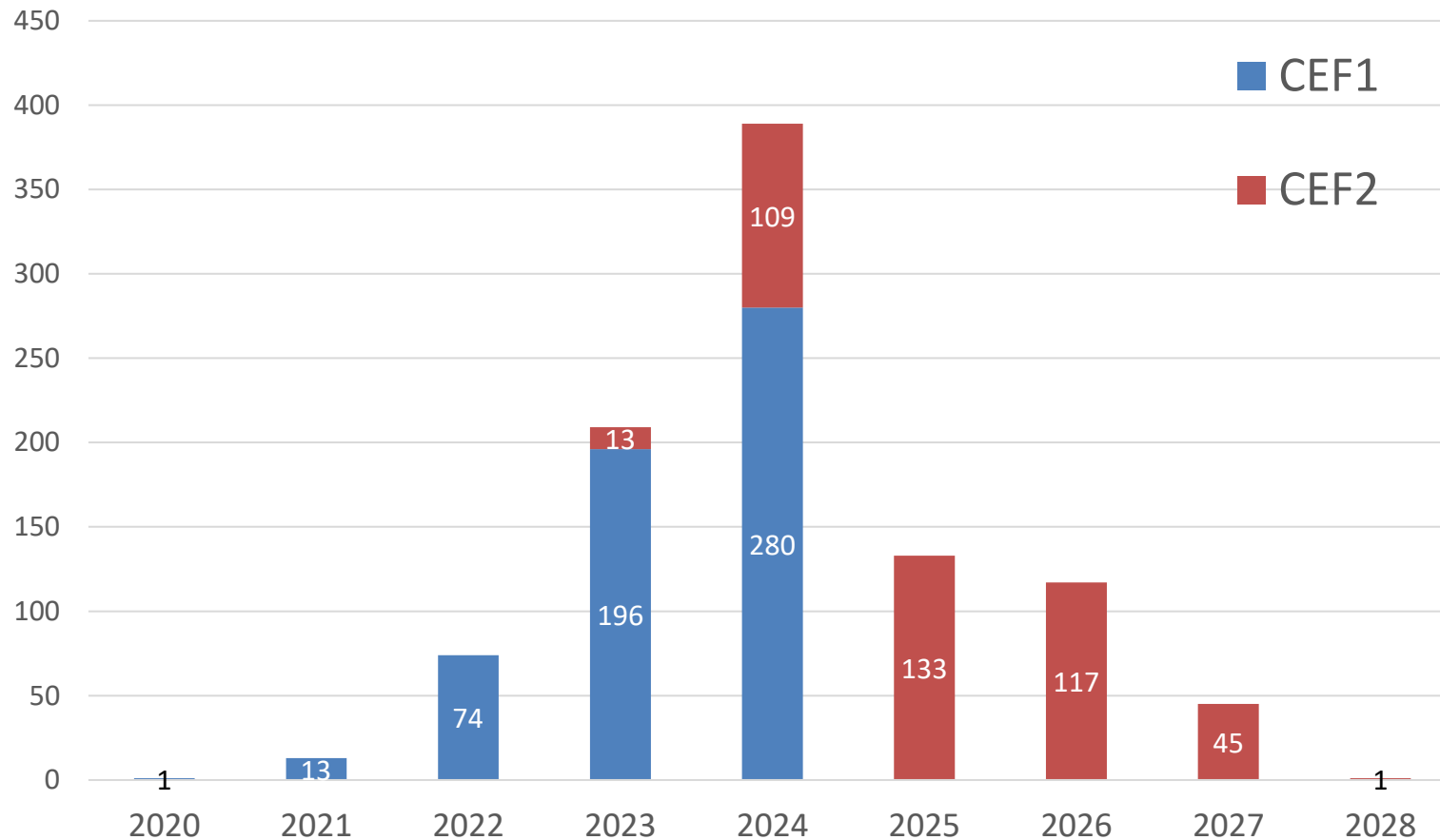
CEF Transport portfolio (CEF1 and CEF2)



1,493 CEF Transport projects currently receive support from CEF of more than **€36** billion with a total investment of almost **€70** billion, covering all modes (around 70% for rail).

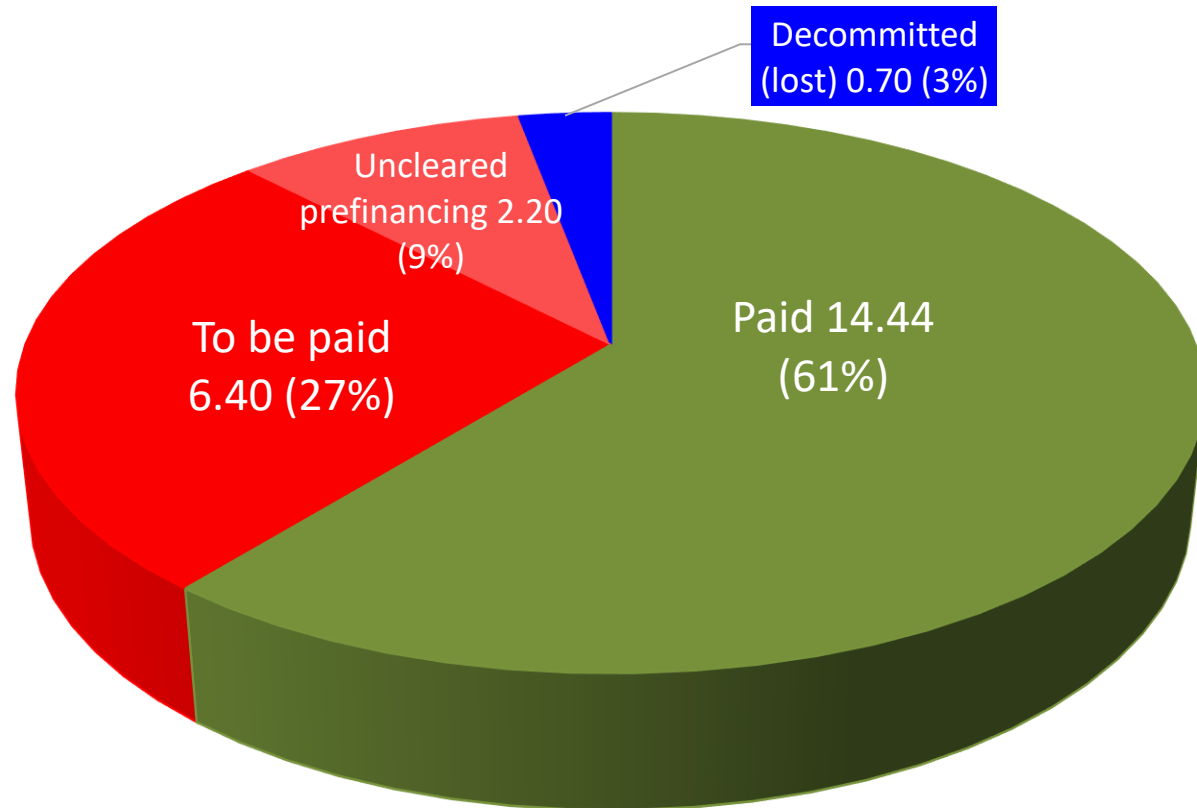
CEF Transport portfolio – end dates

CEF-T end dates of Actions/projects



CEF1 – Budget absorption (Transport)

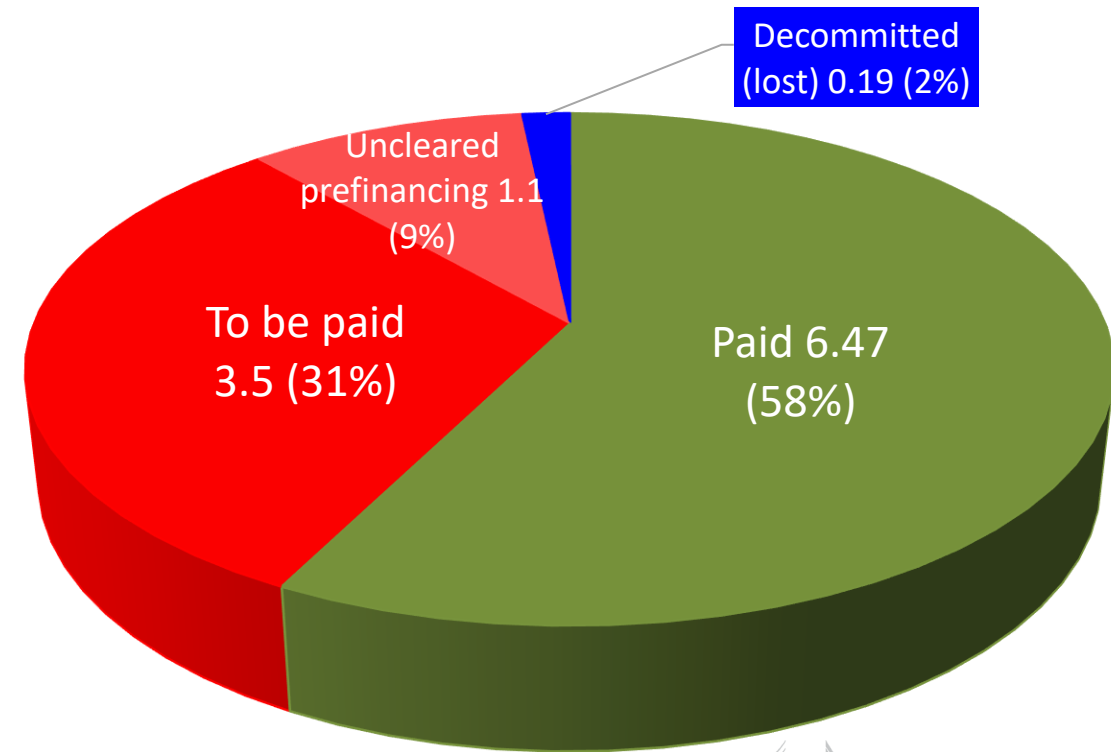
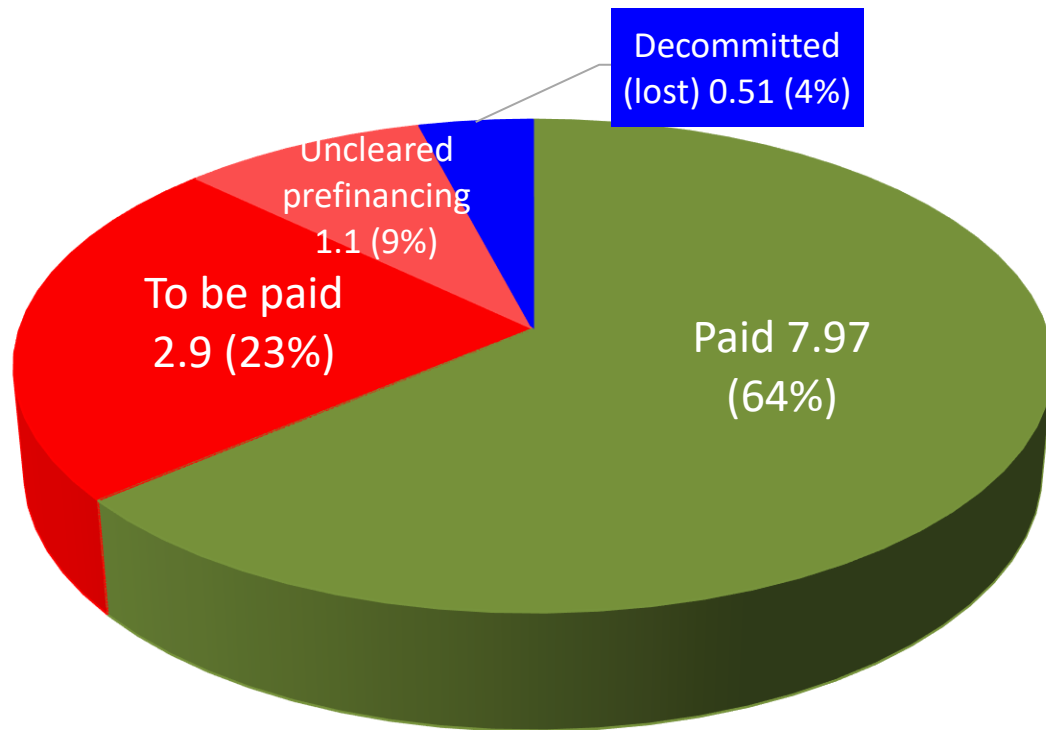
Total CEF-T available budget €23.73 bln



CEF1 – Budget absorption per envelope

General envelope available budget €12.48 bln

Cohesion envelope available budget €11.26 bln



Overview on the CEF Transport calls

Open calls:

- **2023 standard calls:** Deadline: 30 Jan 2024, evaluation from Feb to May, CEF Committee: July, info to applicants: mid-July, TTG: 31 October 2024
- **2023 MilMob call:** CEF Committee: 23 January 2024, info to applicants: 24 January (ahead of TTI deadline on 31 March), TTG: 21 June 2024
- **AFIF1 call:**
 - 4th cut-off: TTG: 12 January (all GAs signed)
 - 5th cut-off: evaluation from Nov. to Jan. 2024, info to applicants: end February (ahead of TTI deadline: 6 May), TTG: 6 August 2024

Calls to be launched in 2024:

- **AFIF2 call:** Publication on 29 Feb 2024, 1st cut-off: 4 Sept. 2024, 2nd and 3rd cut-off: in 2025
- **2024 standard calls:** publication in Sept 2024 and deadline in Jan 2025
- **TA call for Member States and TA RIS call:** publication in 2024

Next steps

- CINEA continues to closely monitor the ongoing Actions, with the aim to assist them to accomplish their objectives and to absorb the available funds.
- The 2024 ASR exercise has been launched. Portfolio overview for Transport/Energy will be available by June/July.
- A significant number of final reports/payments is expected in 2024/2025. At the same time, the CEF2 portfolio is growing.

3. Duration of CEF 2 projects

CEF1 – key figures on amendments

- 747 out of 1070 Transport Actions (70%) and 60 out of 149 Energy Actions (40%) have been formally amended;
- In total 1,268 formal amendments have been completed (1,191 for transport and 77 for energy). 322 Actions were formally amended more than once (309 for transport and 13 for energy);
- In addition, there were 966 acknowledgements of minor updates and 530 amendment letters;
- The duration of 664 Transport Actions (62%) has been extended (average extension: 21 months);
- For Energy, 59 Actions (40%) were extended (average extension: 13 months).

CEF2 – approach on extensions

Proposed Treatment of extension requests under CEF2:

- Requests for extensions should, as a general rule, be discussed at the latest possible stage, towards the end of the GA in force. In dully justified cases, extensions may be granted earlier;
- Total extensions should in principle not exceed 12 months for studies and 24 months for works; “Total extensions” means the extension between the end date of the proposal and the end date of the amended GA.

6. Points raised by the Members

Points raised by the Members

- Cumulation of CEF funds with other funds
- Guidelines on eligibility of costs
- Contribution of the Advisory Group to the Connecting Europe Days 2024
- EU Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS)
- Competitiveness of the EU vs administrative burden
- Feedback on CBA

5. Any other business

Date of next meeting: tbd