What is the Öresund Metro?

The Öresund Metro is an innovative cross-border project between the cities of Copenhagen (DEN) and Malmö (SE). The Öresund Metro will ensure a more efficient European TEN-T Scan-Med Corridor between Hamburg – Copenhagen – Malmö as a compliment to the Öresund Fixed Link between Copenhagen and Malmö.

A driverless high-speed metro line between Copenhagen and Malmö will have a significant impact on the region’s connectivity. The Öresund Metro will depart every 1.5 minutes with a travel time of approximately 20 minutes. This is a reduction of almost 50 percent compared with the train via the Öresund Fixed Link today. The construction cost is estimated at EUR 4 billion (including 50 percent uncertainty add-on), with a construction period of 6-7 years.

The impact of the Öresund Metro

The Öresund Metro supports the European Commission’s vision of cutting carbon emissions from transport by 60 percent in 2050. When the Fehmarn Belt Fixed Link between Denmark and Germany opens in 2028, the number of trains crossing the Fehmarn Belt between Central Europe and Scandinavia will double compared to 2011 levels, and this will present an immense challenge. The Öresund Metro will ensure capacity release on the Öresund Fixed Link to handle future high-speed trains, freight trains and regional trains, thus eliminating bottlenecks and securing more efficient goods transportation in the TEN-T Scan-Med Corridor.

The Öresund Metro will:

• Create a more sustainable and robust transport infrastructure system in the Greater Copenhagen region and between Denmark and Sweden in the TEN-T Scan-Med Corridor.
• Enhance connectivity for people and businesses between the urban nodes of Malmö, Copenhagen and Hamburg.
• Improve the Greater Copenhagen region’s connectivity with the rest of Europe and the world.
• Enlarge the joint labour market significantly and secure a better match between business and the labour market.