

# *ONCE UPON A TIME...*



**Valdieu &  
European Greenways**



Valdieu, may 1997

## I European Conference of Non-Motorized Itineraries and Greenways

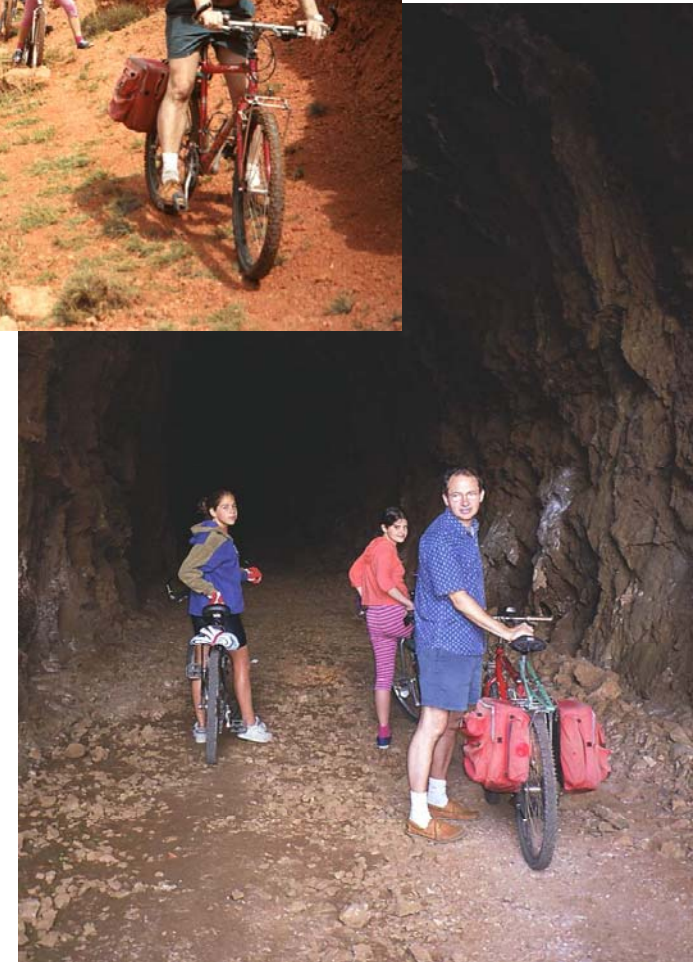
- ✻ In Europe there is a huge potential for the development of non-motorized itineraries along disused railway lines and channel service roads complemented with other roads (rural paths, forestry, ...) whose characteristics facilitate universal use and guarantee its continuity.



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The European Greenways Association was created in Namur (Belgium) on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 1998

*Claude Bochu, our key contact  
at European Commission*



*Thank you, our friend Claude*



# The United States reference



**10,000 MILES!**  
A CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS

**W**hat if I told you, you had 10,000 miles of open rail-trails. Wow. What an incredible achievement.

I remember who set the 10,000-mile goal back in 1992 when we had only just cleared the 5,000-mile mark.

Because they said it couldn't be done. With the average trail conversion taking just under 18 years and a failure rate of over 50%, we needed to change the momentum. Now, more than 1,800 miles of trail open every year. Every state has communities working on trail projects — and enjoying the results.

Because rail-trails are their own best argument. We know rail trails created sustainable, healthy, safe communities, but lawmakers fear of the unknown was our biggest obstacle. We know that if we could get a critical mass of mileage on the ground, the demonstrated benefits of rail-trails would win converts. Miles in there.

Because communities in fact. One of the most exciting ideas about rail-trails is the possibility of connecting them to form regional, statewide and even transcontinental systems. Now we have a large inventory of trails to connect.

So we're at 10,000 miles, what's next? We've chosen two words rather than another mileage or trail target: Systems and Partnerships.

Our goal is to network the nation and connect communities. But who will own, design, fund, construct and manage these linked trail systems? What are the roles of government, business and non-profit groups? The answers are tough and raise even more questions once negotiations, cooperation and institutional change. System-building is coming-of-age trail.

Partnerships get key to our envisioned system.

We've done well in the past decade by combining strong project support, political action and legal defense work. We've saved railroads and helped towns federal gas tax money for trail development. In the next decade, we must expand our network to include the health community, social justice groups and the sustainable community movement, to name just a few. There is a link between trails and broader aspirations for community and human development.

When we started RTC, we were told "it's a tall order for this time and more so." We didn't believe that. The people you'll meet in the following pages didn't either. Read the stories of the people and places that have made rail-trails happen and you'll believe, as we do, that we can turn the "tall" into a social movement with long-term benefits to humankind. That's the real meaning and promise of 10,000 miles.

*David Barwell*  
David Barwell

RAILS-TO-TRAILS CONSERVANCY



# The Belgium reference



**Chemins du Rail**

*Nos anciennes lignes ferroviaires: un patrimoine à préserver, des chemins à parcourir...*

**Chemins du Rail, ASBL**

Chemins du Rail est une association sans but lucratif fondée à Namur (Belgique) en janvier 1996. Elle s'attache à la préservation et à la mise en valeur des lignes de chemin de fer désaffectées et à leur transformation en chemins pour tous les usagers non motorisés : piétons, cyclistes, cavaliers, personnes à mobilité réduite, rollers...


Chemins du Rail s'attache également à la sauvegarde du patrimoine ferroviaire : balises, signaux, bornes, ponts, tunnels, gares... L'association encourage toutes les formes de déplacement non motorisé et participe activement à l'Association européenne des Voies vertes (AEVV) dont elle est co-fondatrice.






*Les chemins du rail: un espace de convivialité pour tous les usagers*



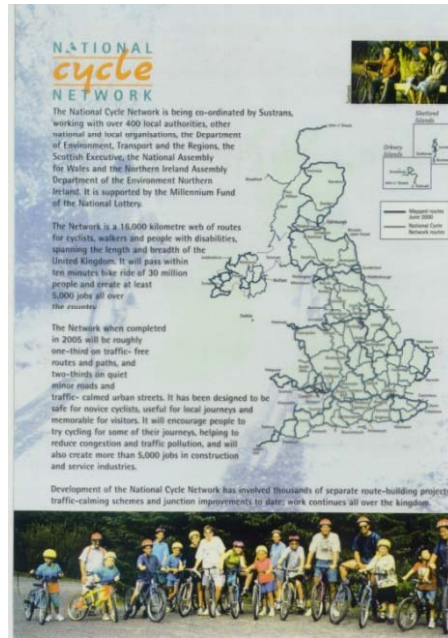
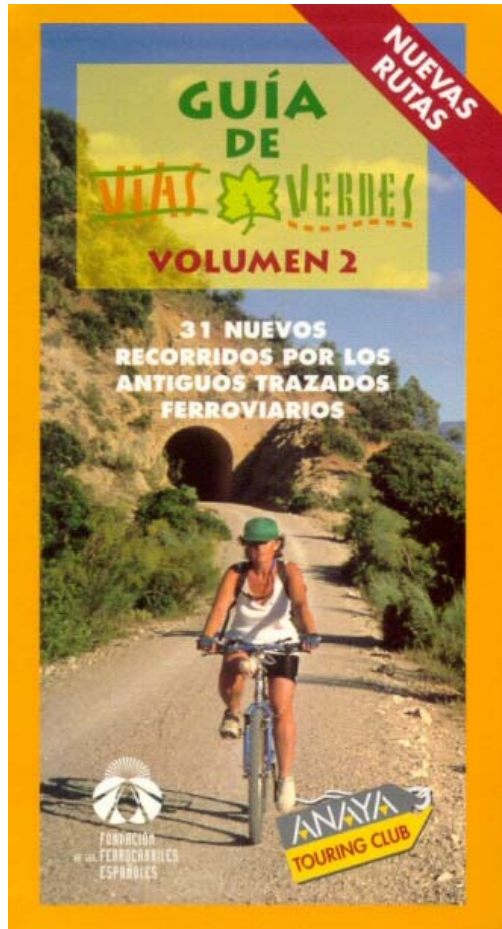
## RESEAU AUTONOME DE VOIES LENTES



# Le RAVeL


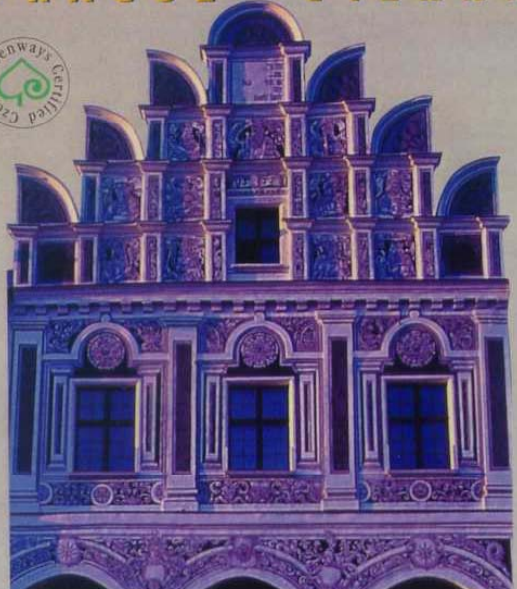


# Spain, United Kingdom, France...






# Central Europe, Canada, Italy


**GREENWAYS**  
PRAGUE – VIENNA

*To the heart of Central Europe  
The Czech experience trail*

**Walk the green ways  
Taste the wine  
Meet the people**  
Discover and explore the real  
treasures of central Europe

**Ferrovie dismesse  
e greenways**

Il quadrante





# GOOD PRACTICE GUIDE OF GREENWAYS IN EUROPE

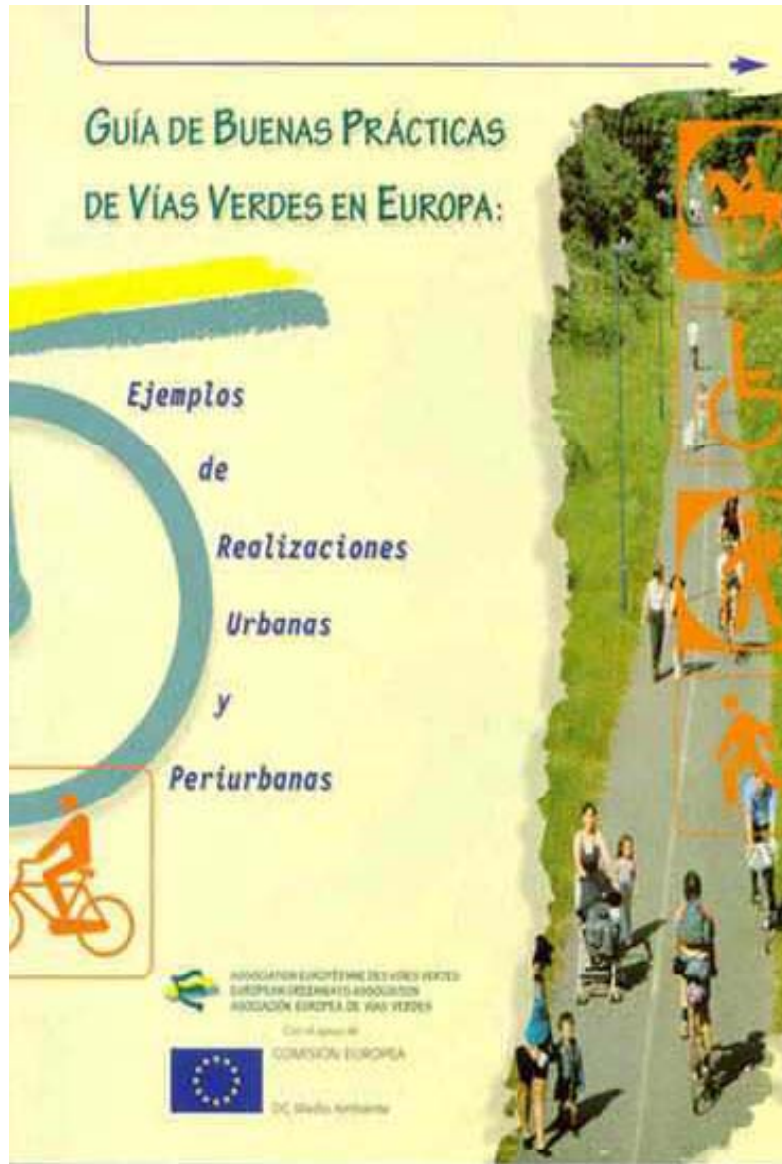
## 1. Urbanism and Mobility

## 2. Social Impacts

## 3. Industrial, Natural and Cultural heritage

## 4. Economic Impacts: Leisure and tourism

## 5. Promotion actions



# GUIDE DE BONNES PRATIQUES DES VOIES VERTES EN EUROPE :

Exemples  
de  
Réalizations  
Urbaines  
et  
Périurbaines



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 In 2000, the Spanish Greenways Program won the United Nations Organization International Award for Good Practices of the Habitat Program, promoting its implementation in other regions of the world.



 *The European Commission actively supported "Vías Verdes" initiatives through the activities organized by the European Greenways Association*

- *European Greenways Day: September 20, 2002 and successive*
- *European Greenways Award, etc ...*






# Greenways for Europe

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*Sustaining the future on the past*

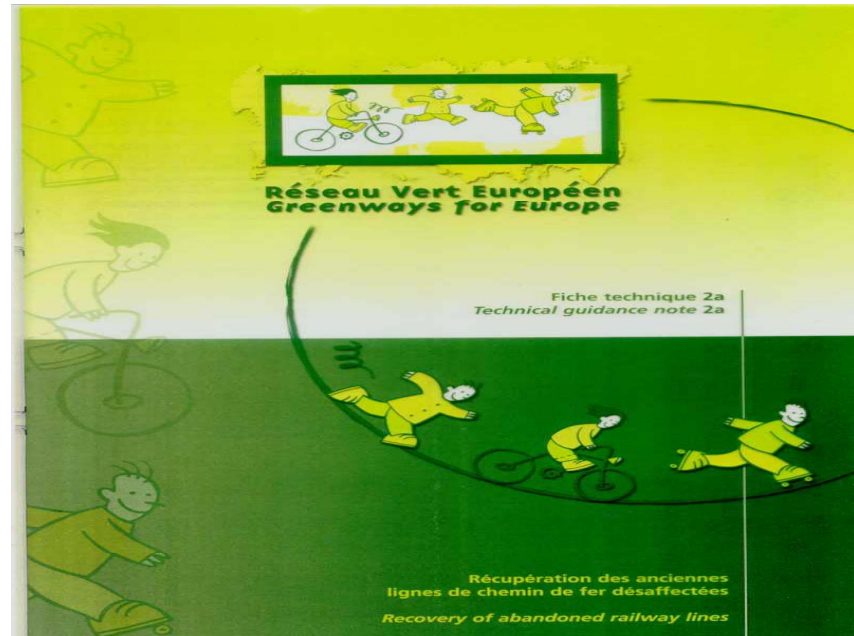


*Greenways...*  
*Les Voies Vertes...*  
*Las Vías Verdes...*

Réseau Vert Européen  
Greenways for Europe



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Fiche technique 2a  
Technical guidance note 2a

Récupération des anciennes  
lignes de chemin de fer désaffectées  
Recovery of abandoned railway lines

As a basis for the development of a Green Network, the **Greenways** are:

*"Autonomous communication routes reserved for non-motorized journeys, developed in a framework (...) that values the environment and life quality, fulfilling the sufficient conditions of width, slope and surface quality to guarantee a use in coexistence and safety to all users of any physical capacity (...)"*



"Reusing railways in disuse and channels service roads are suited instruments for the development of REVER"

**Declaration of Lille, september 2000**



**Red Verde Europea  
Réseau Vert Européen  
Greenways for Europe**

# EUROVELO

THE EUROPEAN CYCLE ROUTE NETWORK



Report on development  
June 1998



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EUROVELO GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

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**North - South Routes:**

- ① Atlantic Coast Route: North Cape - Sagres 8,186 km
- ② Pilgrims Route: Trondheim - Santiago de Compostela 5,122 km
- ③ Via Roma Francigena: London - Rome and Brindisi 3,903 km
- ④ Middle Europe Route: North Cape - Malta 6,000 km
- ⑤ Baltic Sea to Adriatic Sea (Amber Route): Gdansk - Pola 1,333 km
- ⑥ East Europe Route: North Cape - Athens 5,964 km

**West - East Routes:**

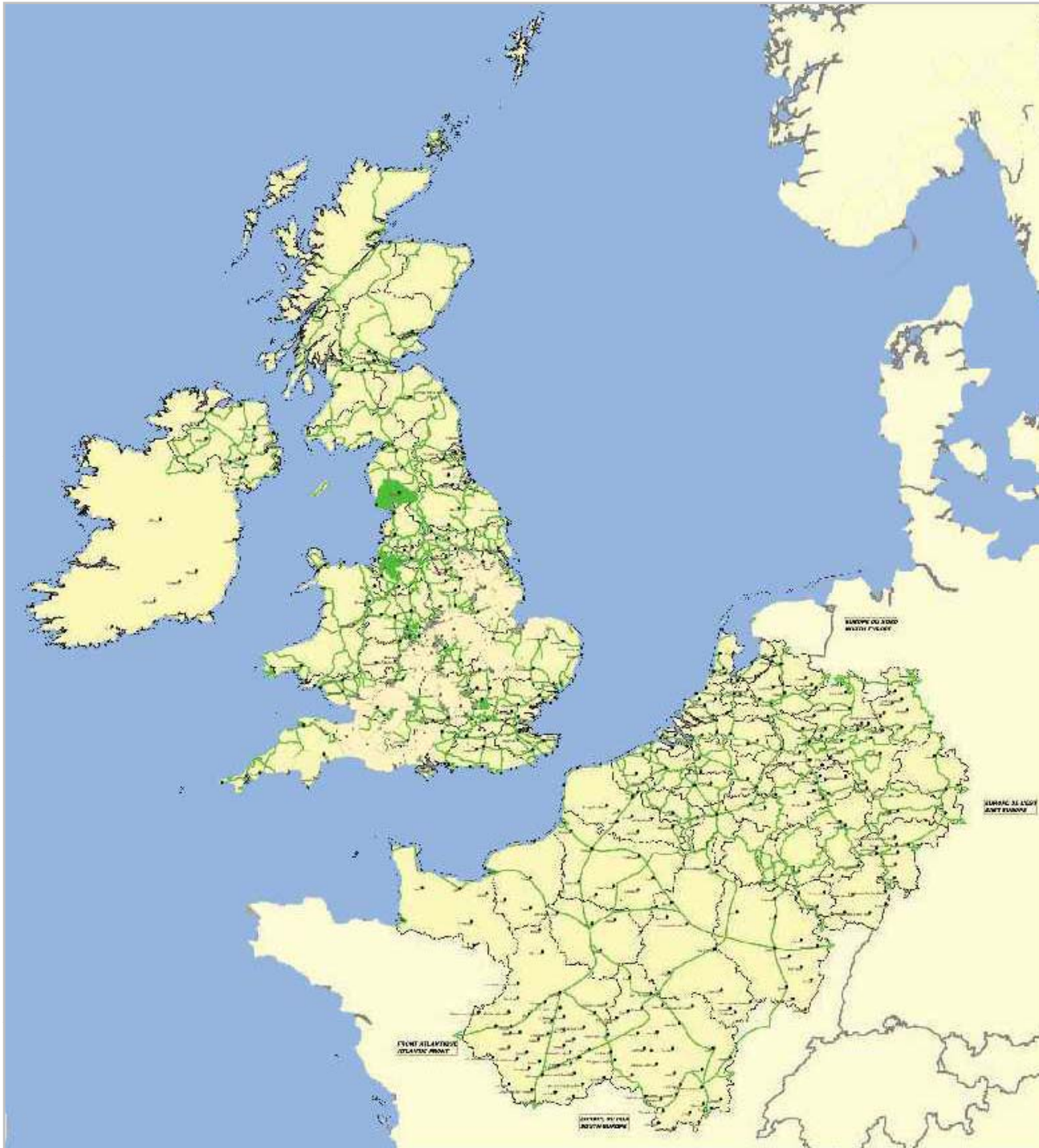
- ⑦ Capitals Route: Gdansk - Moscow 6,800 km
- ⑧ Moscow - Kiev 4,000 km
- ⑨ Atlantic Ocean to Black Sea (Rivers Route): Nantes - Constanza 3,832 km
- ⑩ Mediterranean Route: Cadix - Athens 5,380 km

**Circuits:**

- ⑪ Baltic Sea Cycle Route (Hansa circuit) 7,930 km
- ⑫ North Sea Cycle Route 5,922 km

Total network: 63,505 km

# REVER / AMNO Scheme



Avec le soutien de l'Union Européenne(FEDER-Interreg IIC AMNO)  
With the support of European Union(ERDF-Interreg IIC NWMA).

**Chef de file / Leadership**

**Partenaires / Partners**



**Coordination générale / General coordination**



**PROjections**



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**Greenways for Europe**





# ITINERARIOS REVER MED

(Propuesta)

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**Greenways for Europe**

RHÔNE-ALPES	1.396	1.396 km
HERAULT	802	706 km
Other	1.342	
<b>TOTAL FRANCE Medoc</b>	<b>3.540 km</b>	
<b>REVER Med Itineraries</b>		<b>2.102 km</b>

LIGURIA + PROV.TORINO	310	310 km
EMILIA ROMAGNA	500	500 km
LOMBARDÍA	525	525 km
SICILIA	565	565 km
Other REVER Med	285	
Other 1.600		
<b>Total ITALY Medoc</b>	<b>3.785 km</b>	
<b>Total REVER Med itineraries</b>		<b>1.900 km</b>

<b>ALGARVE Y ALENTEJO</b>	<b>950 km</b>
Algarve REVER Med	333
Alentejo REVER Med	350
<b>REVERMed Itineraries PORTUGAL</b>	<b>683km</b>

ANDALUCÍA	1.800	1.568 km
MURCIA	987	987 km
C.VALENCIANA	860	691 km
ARAGÓN	715	622 km
CATALUNYA	770	670 km
<b>Total SPAIN Medoc</b>	<b>5.132 km</b>	
<b>Total REVER Med Itineraries</b>		<b>4.538 km</b>

**Total REVER-MEDOC Scheme 13.407 Kms**

**Total REVER Med Itineraries 9.223 Kms**

 Propuesta inicial de itinerarios  
 Enlaces Esquema Director (Italia)

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**Region Kärntner Seen**

01. Faak am See	04254/21 49
02. Feuldschachen	04276/20 31 34
03. Klagenfurt Hbf	0463/58 11 399
04. Krumpendorf	04229/23 62
05. Ossiach - Bodensch.	04243/22 78
06. Pörschach	04272/23 04
07. Velden	04274/21 15 39
08. Völkermarkt	04232/80 74 0

**Region Osttirol und Westkärnten**

09. Hermagor	04282/20 30 4
10. Katschach - Mauten	04715/243
11. Lienz	04852/66 56 385
12. Mallnitz - Oberveitsch	04784/600 383
13. Oberrauburg	04710/22 99
14. Sillian	04842/82 97 0
15. Spittal / Millstättersee	04762/39 76 390
16. Villach Hbf.	04242/20 20 31 61

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Region Salzburger Land Nord**

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*The bike and the train*



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