



Case study:  
The Fehmarn Belt fixed  
link and the effects on  
logistic strategies and  
development zones

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# "Fehmarn Belt Region"



# Objectives

Explore how the Fehmarn Belt fixed link may affect logistic strategies:

- the company flows and distribution chains
- to support Green corridor development by political decisions and policies
- to provide input to TransBaltic action plan

# Working process

## 1. Literature study:

- 38 reports/projects
- mainly Danish, Swedish and Norwegian material

## 2: Interview study:

- 18 companies
- Cargo owners and carriers
- Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Germany

# Macro perspective dominating

## 1. Literature study:

### Perspectives:

- 34 macro level approaches on transport analyses
- 4 qualitative studies, all Danish

### Content:

- focus on railway transport macro flows

### Lack of discussion:

- Terminals
- Maritime transport - its role in intermodal development

# Expectations on Fehmarn Belt fixed link

## 1. Literature study:



- increasing railway volumes and intermodal transport
- Increasing capacity problems with remaining railway bottlenecks after the fixed link is in operation
- increased importance of southwest BSR as logistic area



# Interviewed companies

## 2. Interview study:

Danmark	Sverige	Norge	Tyskland
Freja Transport & Logistics A/S	TX logistik	CargoNet AS	Gödecke logistics
DB Schenker Rail Scandinavia A/S	Stora Enso Logistics	DB Schenker AS	Alpa
Alex Andersen Ølund A/S	SSAB EMEA	Bring Linehaul AS	Carl Spaeter GmbH
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Royal Unibrew A/S	Anonymt företag	Hydro Aluminium Rolled products	



# Structure

## 2. Interview study:



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### Three themes:

1. location and logistic structures
2. changes in companies transport flows
3. potential for intermodal transport

### Two scenarios:

1. 2020 decided investments
2. 2030 railway bottleneck removed including:
  - Fixed link Helsingborg - Elsinore
  - Route 5

# Effects on location

## 2. Interview study:

0= no impact 1= weak impact 2= impact 3=strong impact	Relocation	Expansion
Transporter Road	0	2
Transporter Rail	0	0
Cargoowners	0	2

# Effects on transport flows

## 2. Interview study:

0= no impact 1= weak impact 2= impact 3=strong impact	Time	Costs	Driv/rest times
Transporter Road	2	3	3
Transporter Rail	3	2	0
Cargoowners	3	3	0

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# Potential intermodal development

## 2. Interview study:

**General trend toward intermodal transport due to:**

- fuel prices and road charges
- cost efficiency for transporting large volumes
- environment - but not to any cost
- key factors - shorter lead time and delivery precision

**Difficult to relate to Fehmarn Belt fixed link, due to:**

- unknown cost
- infrastructure standard and capacity on surrounding network
- lack of flexibility in railway system
- cross border obstacles
- taxes and regulations

# Policy implications

Harmonize taxes fees and regulations

Corridor planning for railway/intermodal transport

- bottlenecks
- technological differences
- Reliability
- Redundancy

Increased capacity crossing Öresund

Location of truck stop services

Development of logistic zones

- increased importance of zones in western Skåne and Copenhagen
- no indications that new logistic zones will arise

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# Thank you for your attention!

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