

Press release

Consultation on the continuation of the Rolling Highway until 2028: RAIpin supports the planned federal decree and amendments to the law

RAIpin is pleased and encouraged by the success of the National Council's transport committee in the current consultation process and is preparing for the continuation of the operation of the Rolling Highway until 2028. The decision proposed by the Swiss Federal Council with the financial framework and the necessary legislative amendments is crucial and well balanced. The Rolling Highway reduces congestion on the heavily used road network by more than 5 kilometers every day and offers the transport industry a flexible alternative, especially for time-critical transports over medium distances. Last year, 17 per cent of all trucks transported were loaded with food or food related goods. In order to be able to transport these in unaccompanied combined transport from the end of the current decade, investments are needed in infrastructure expansions and freight transport facilities on the rail side, as well as the further strengthening and promotion of the modal shift to rail.

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RAIpin AG at a glance

Headquartered in Olten, RAIpin AG operates the rolling highway (Rola) between Freiburg im Breisgau, Germany and Novara, Italy. Every year, the company transfers around 90,000 goods vehicles from road to rail. Under the rolling highway system, drivers embark their vehicles onto low-floor wagons at the terminals and accompany their loads in a sleeping car. RAIpin's rolling highway service makes a significant contribution to the modal shifting of traffic from road to rail and to protecting the sensitive Alpine region.

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