



## The SIMPLE Platform Project starts with preliminary market consultation

- Lead by the Ministry of Development, ADIF and Puertos del Estado, the project will have an investment of €5.26 million

15-07-2019 (Ministry of Development). Last Friday, July 12, Puertos del Estado hosted the first milestone of the SIMPLE (SIMplification of Processes for Logistic Enhancement) platform that contemplates the analysis, development, implementation and management of an useful prototype for a logistics information exchange system.

The conference consisted of the launch of the challenge to market operators in order to make them participants in the problem to be solved through this project. In this sense, the SIMPLE technological platform is required to include, with a distributed architecture configuration, the functionalities corresponding to the information flows relating to the intermodal transport chain: road and rail itineraries of goods and means of transport, access to rail-road intermodal terminals and to ports and their terminals, and certain services of port user communities and intermodal terminals.

The public bodies involved in the project (Ministry of Development, Adif and Puertos del Estado) explained the challenge to the participants, as well as the different phases of the project's execution, generating a very participative dynamic among all the interested parties.

The meeting, which had been given maximum publicity, aroused great interest in the market for technological innovation which led to a large attendance at the event. The presence of stakeholders was highly varied as companies specializing in technological innovation and development of systems for the exchange and management of data came. Research groups and knowledge agents also attended.

The past May the Ministry of Development announced the signing of an agreement between the Ministry, Adif and Puertos del Estado for the



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design, development and operation of the SIMPLE Technological Platform (simplification of processes for logistic enhancement). This platform, which will require an investment of €5.26 million, will be supported by the Connecting Europe Mechanism (CEF) for its extension in the European Union.