

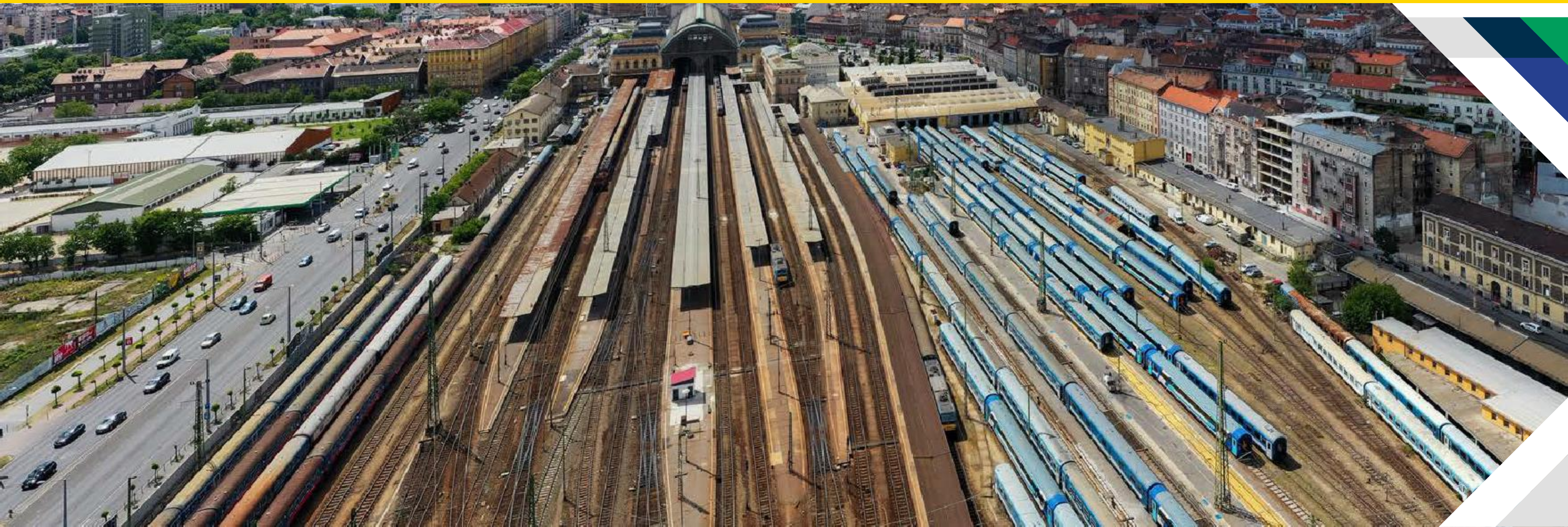


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# **BUDAPEST SUBURBAN RAILWAY NODE STRATEGY 2020-2040**

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# NEW GOLDEN ERA FOR RAILWAYS IN BUDAPEST

- **COMPLEX DEVELOPMENT –  
INFRASTRUCTURE, ROLLING  
STOCK, SERVICES**
  - infrastructure
  - rolling stock
  - services
- **THERE HAS NEVER BEEN SUCH AN  
OPPORTUNITY IN THE 150-YEAR  
HISTORY OF HUNGARIAN RAILWAYS**
- **IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NEEDED FOR  
100 YEARS**





# RAILWAY SYSTEM BASED ON TERMINAL STATIONS SINCE THE 19TH CENTURY



DÉLI RAILWAY STATION



KELETI RAILWAY STATION

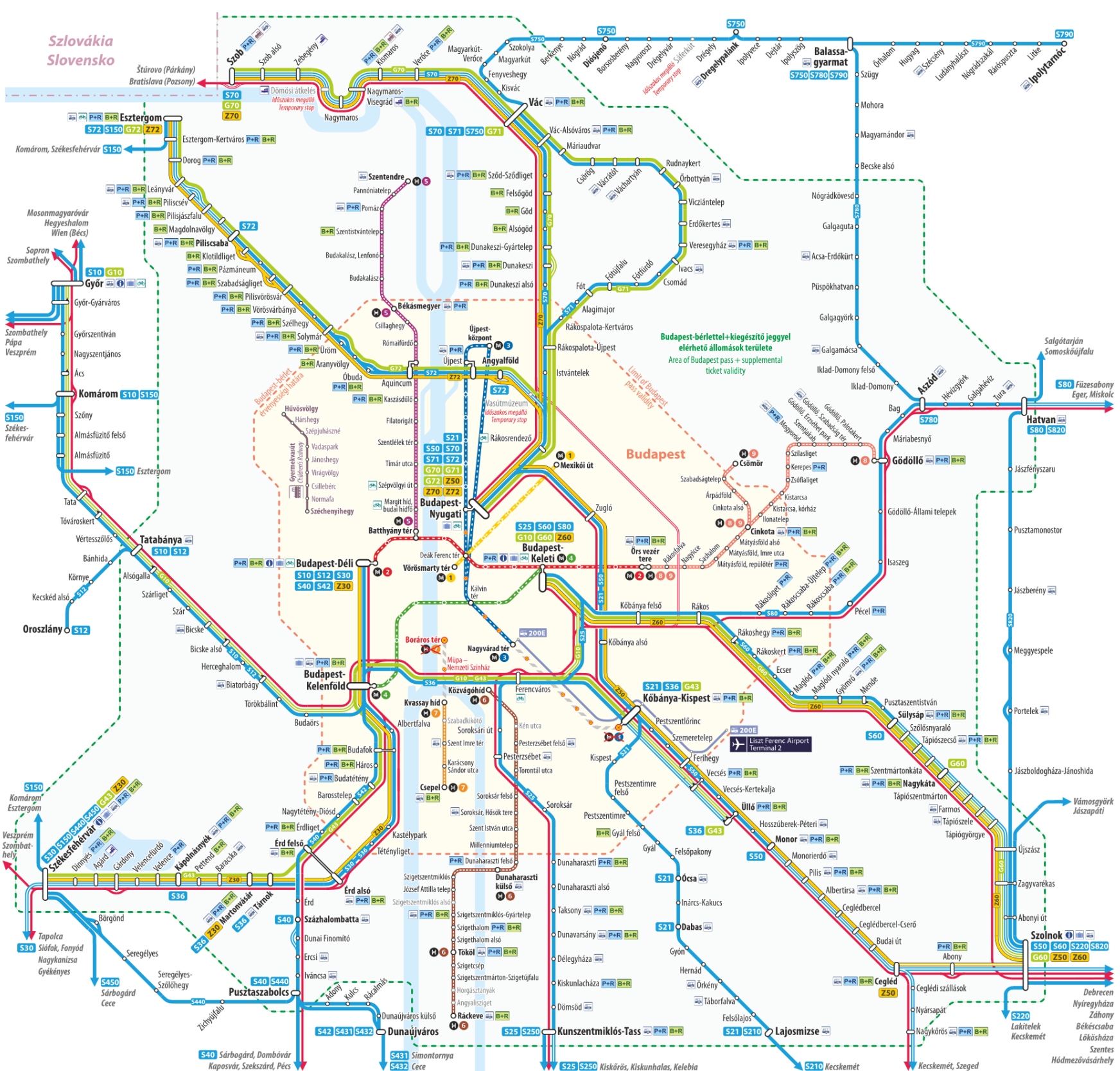
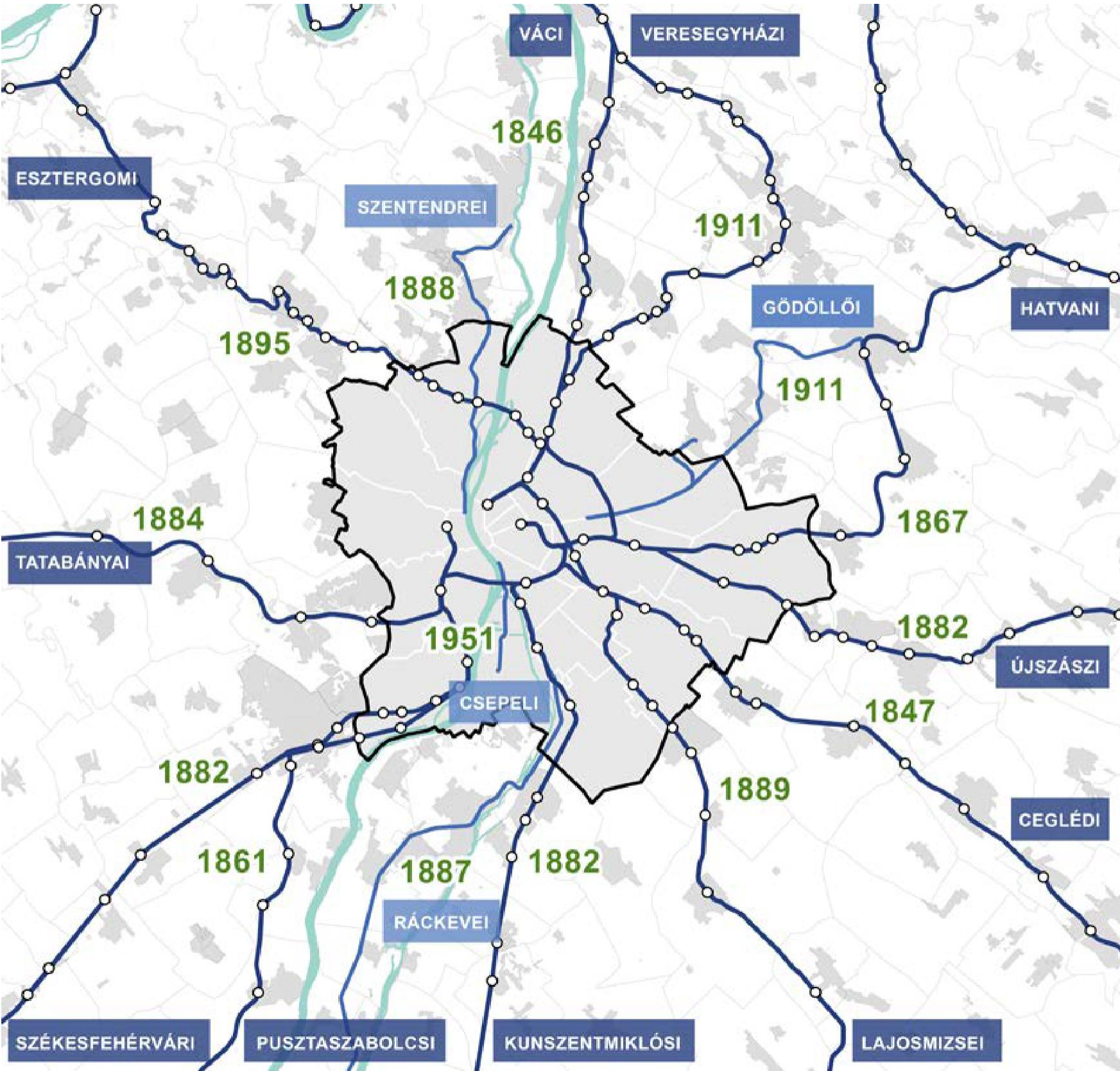


NYUGATI RAILWAY STATION





# UNCHANGED STRUCTURE FOR OVER 100 YEARS







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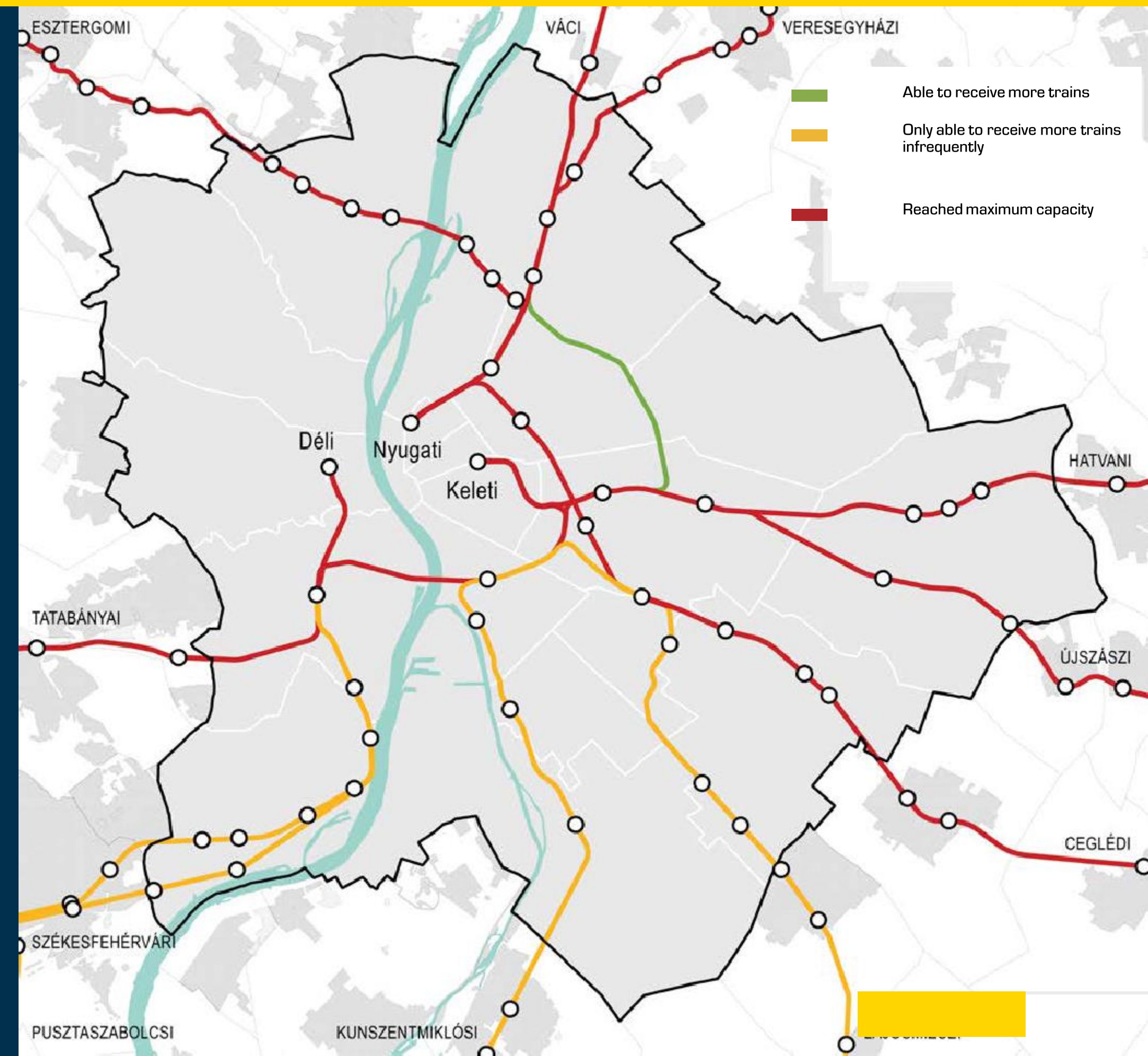
# IT WAS NOT EVEN POSSIBLE AFTER THE WW2, IN SOCIALIST TIMES





# STATE OF THE CORE SECTIONS RESTRICTS THE EXPANSION OF NODE'S CAPACITY

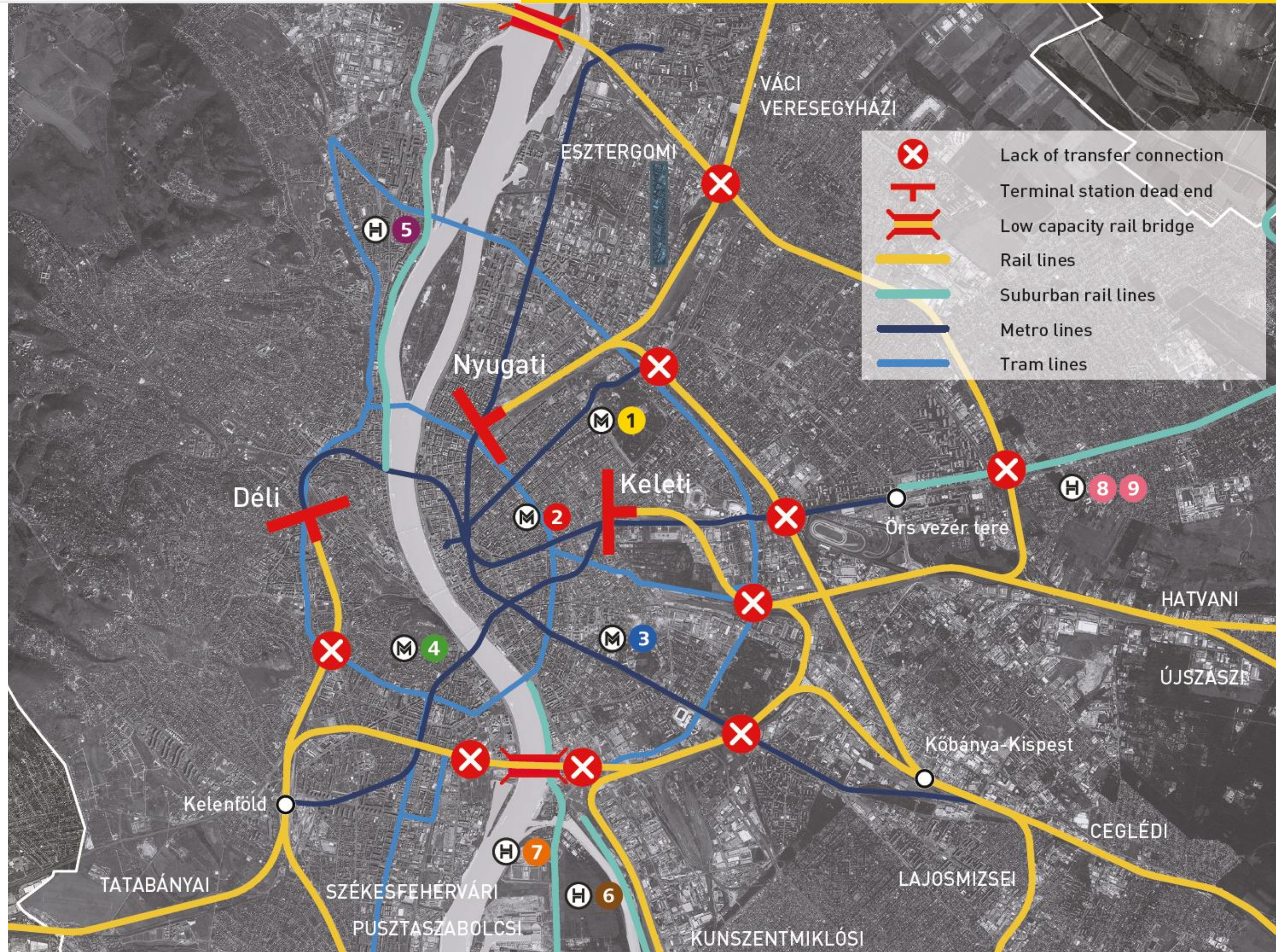
- The Budapest rail network is **currently only able to receive 42 trains in the peak hour** from all directions altogether.
- This is the current maximum capacity.







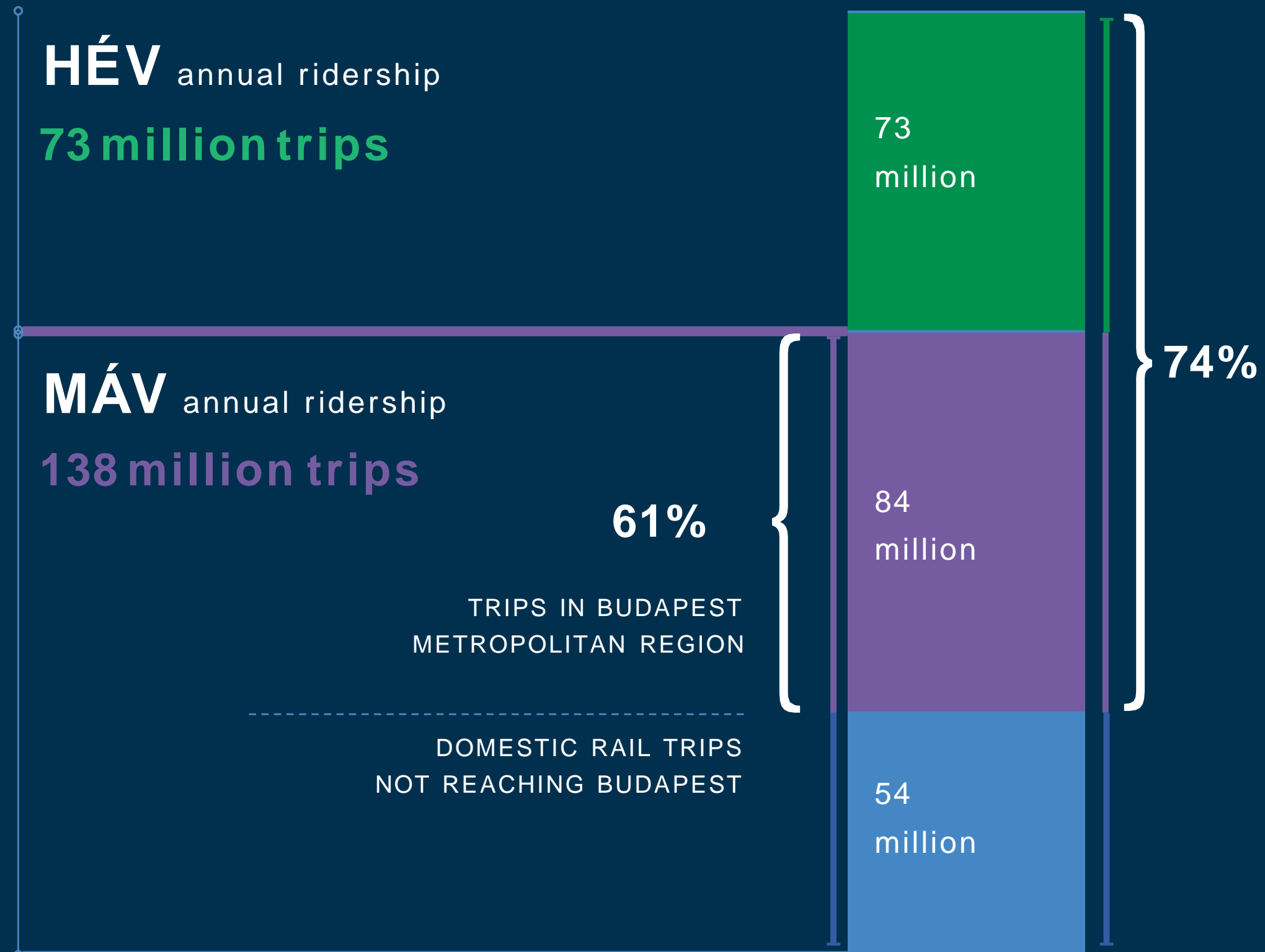
# THE OBSOLETE NETWORK STRUCTURE PREVENTS A STRONGER RAILWAY ROLE







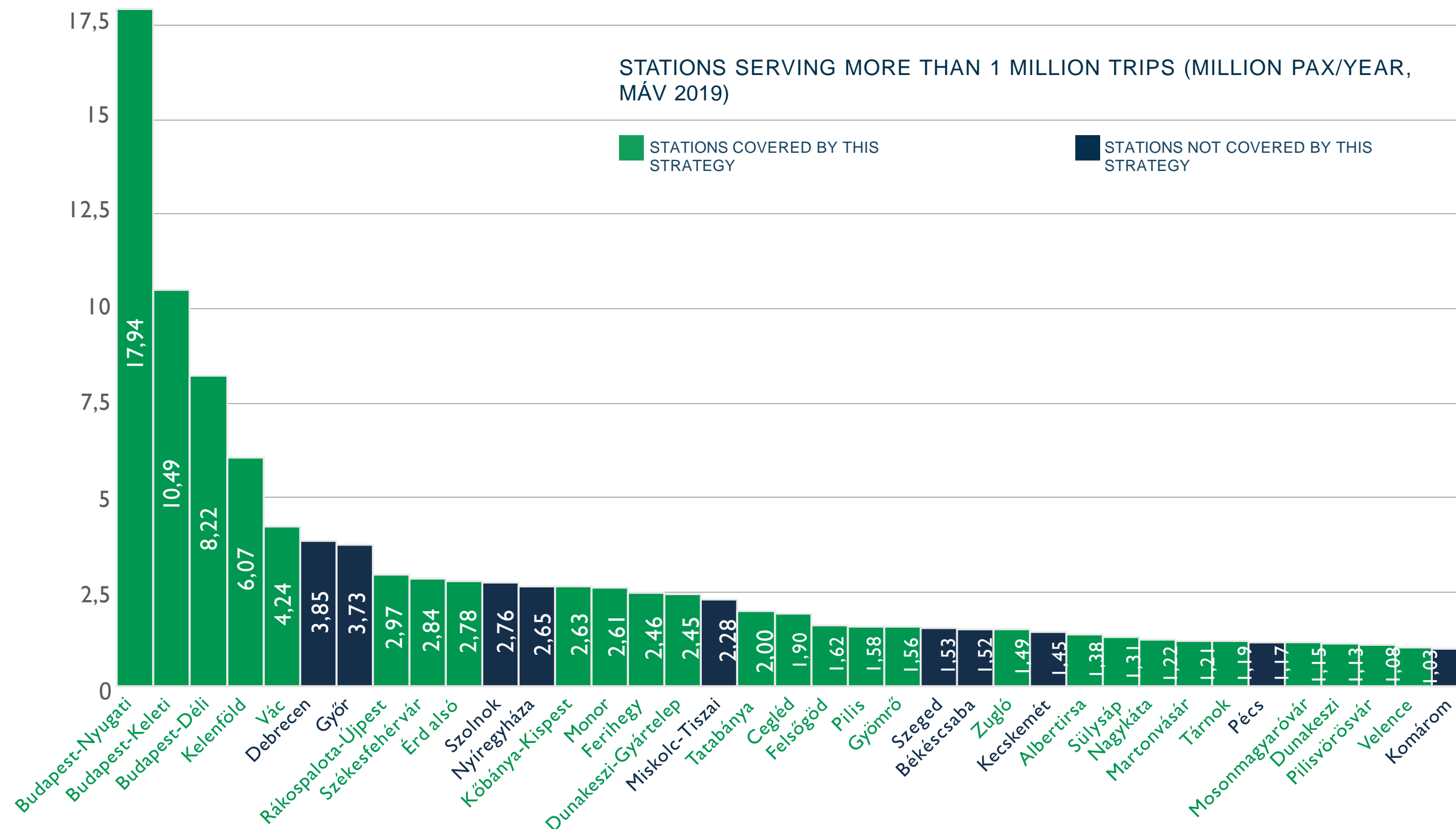
## NUMBER OF JOURNEYS IN BUDAPEST AND ITS SUBURBS WITH AND WITHOUT THE HÉV LINES (2019)





# OUT OF 37 STATIONS, 27 ARE LOCATED IN THE REGION OF BUDAPEST

RAILWAY STATIONS ARE SERVING MORE THAN 1 MILLION  
TRIPS/YEAR: OUT OF 37 STATIONS, 27 ARE LOCATED IN THE  
REGION OF BUDAPEST







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# INSTEAD OF OBSOLETE TECHNOLOGY, MODERN DIGITAL SOLUTIONS ARE NEEDED

NYUGATI RAILWAY STATION,  
2020



SOURCE: MÁV

FONYÓD,  
2020



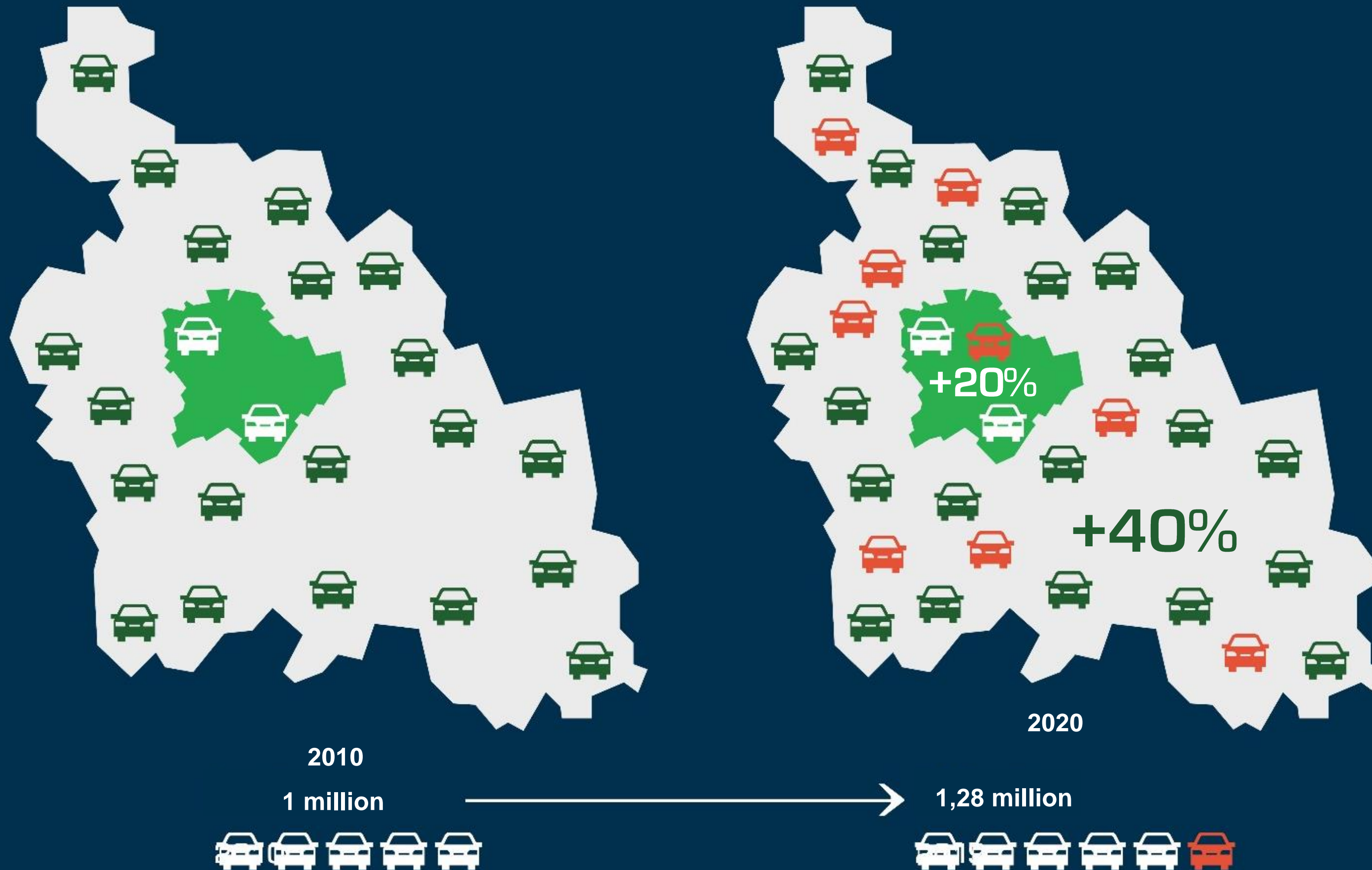
SOURCE: REGIONALBAHN.HU





# NO SPACE LEFT FOR THE INCREASING NUMBER OF CARS

NUMBER OF CARS





# RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT IS THE ONLY SOLUTION



**4 MILLION**  
TONNES ANNUALLY



O<sub>3</sub> NO<sub>2</sub> PM<sub>10</sub> SO<sub>2</sub> CO



**300 bn HUF**  
public health costs



# DEVELOPMENTS HAVE PROVEN THE POTENTIAL OF THE RAILWAY



ESZTERGOMI LINE

upgraded (2017)



+107%

2008

2019

2,4  
million  
trips

4,9  
million  
trips



SZÉKESFEHÉRVÁRI LINE

upgraded (2014)



+76%

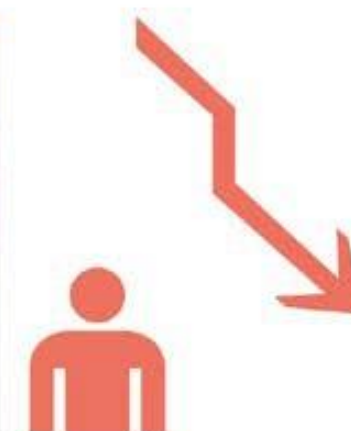
5,3  
million  
trips

9,4  
million  
trips



LAJOSMIZSEI LINE

no renovation



-46%

2,7  
million  
trips

1,5  
million  
trips



# A FEW IMPORTANT STEPS OF RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT FROM PAST YEARS

[illegible]

## CLOCKFACE-SCHEDULE ON LINES 70 (VÁC-SZOB) AND 71 (VERESEGYHÁZ-VÁC) (2004)



## BUDAPEST PASS VALID FOR TRAINS AND REGIONAL BUSES WITHIN CITY LIMITS (2005)



## ACCESSIBLE, MULTIPLE UNIT FLIRT TRAINS (2007-)

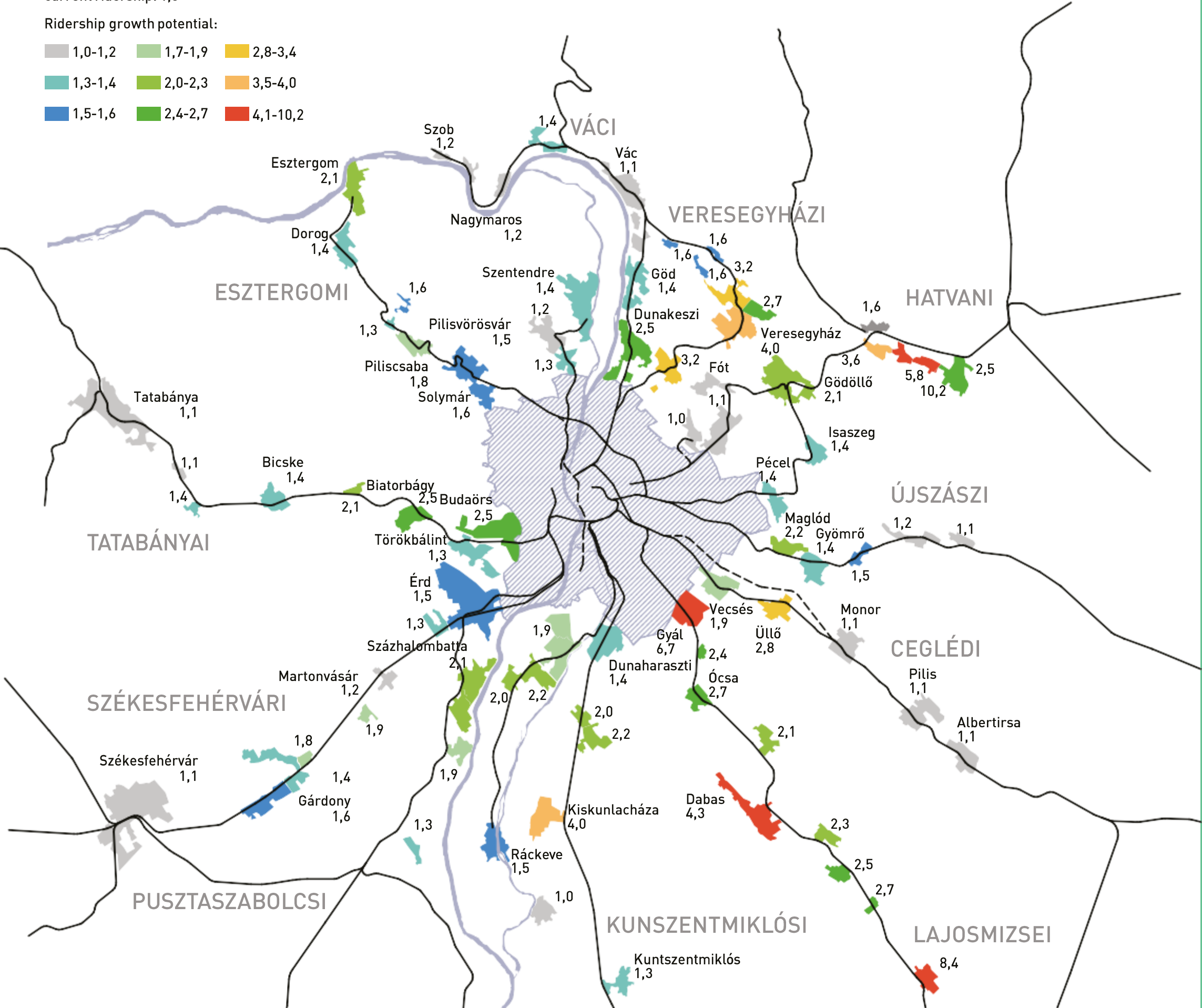




# RIDERSHIP GROWTH POTENCIAL

current ridership: 1,0  
Ridership growth potential:

1,0-1,2	1,7-1,9	2,8-3,4
1,3-1,4	2,0-2,3	3,5-4,0
1,5-1,6	2,4-2,7	4,1-10,2

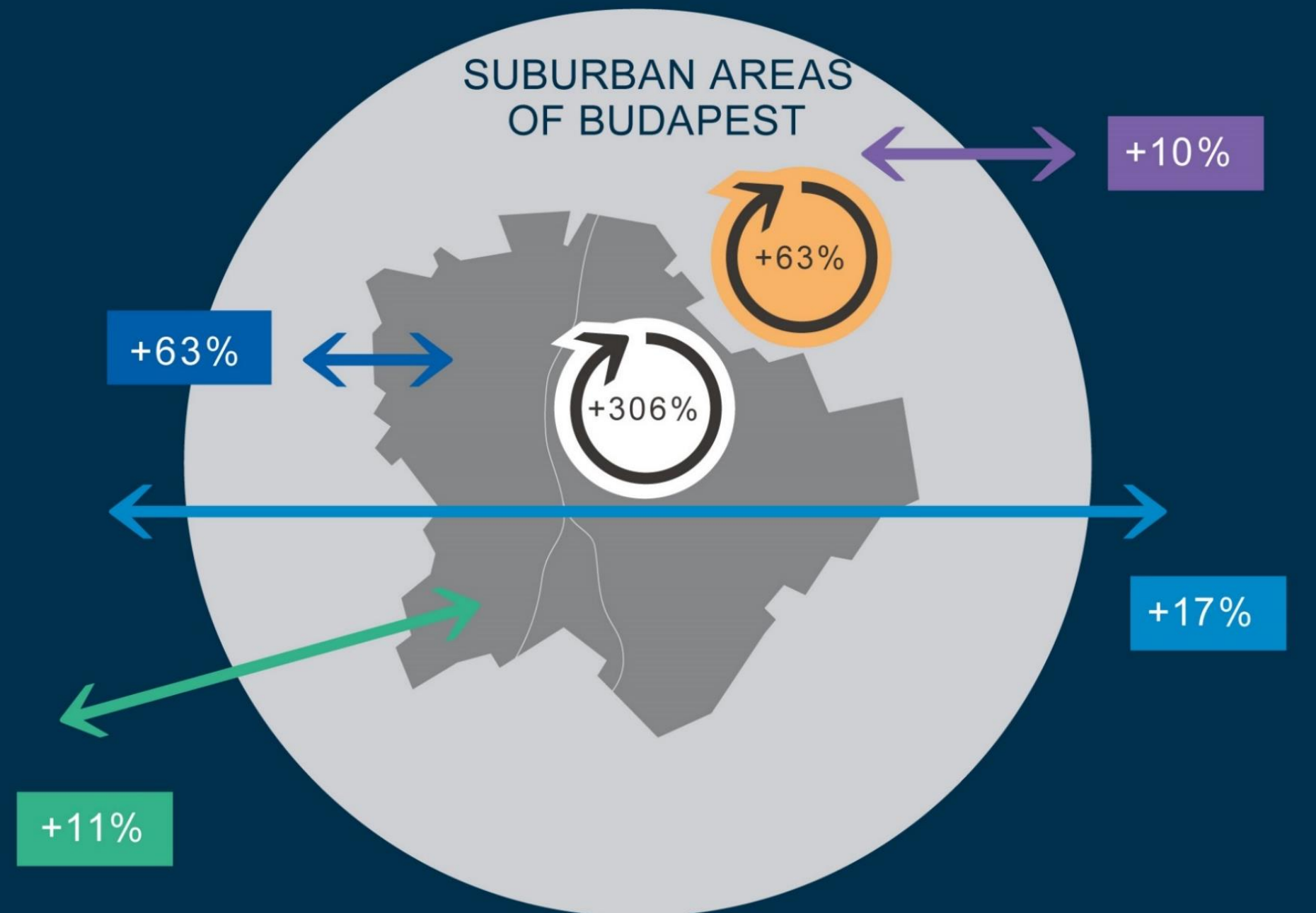


HOW MANY PEOPLE  
WOULD CHOOSE TRAINS  
INSTEAD OF CARS?



# CURRENT RAIL RIDERSHIP COULD INCREASE BY 80%

- Inside Budapest railway trips could be quadrupled.
- Suburban railway journeys in the whole wider region could be increased by 63%
- Long distance and international rail travel may see a 10% increase into the Budapest node.
- Overall the number of MÁV Start trips in Budapest and its metropolitan area could reach more than half a million per day, which would be an 80% growth.
- This includes 97% expected growth in trips from the neighboring suburban areas into Budapest.
- According to traffic modeling 115 000 people are expected to shift from car to rail if the Strategy is implemented.



  **-115.000**  
car  
commuters

**519.000**  
(289.000)  **+80%**  
daily train ridership



Long distance journeys  
to the suburban region

Suburban region  
to Budapest journeys

Long distance journeys  
to Budapest

Journeys between long distance  
destinations outside Budapest

Journeys within suburban areas  
of Budapest, but not into the city

Budapest intra-city journeys

HÉV ridership excluded from this data



# INSTEAD OF SIMPLE 'RENOVATIONS' THE POTENTIAL OF RAILWAY DEVELOPMENTS HAS TO BE EXPLOITED

## PRESENT STATE

✗ Sections in poor conditions

✗ Bottlenecks in capacity

✓ Rolling stock being replaced

80%

RIDERSHIP  
GROWTH  
POTENTIAL

## POSSIBLE STRATEGIES

### PASSIVE

Do we allocate money for refurbishment of tracks? ✗

Do we expand capacity and eliminate bottlenecks? ✗

### PRESERVATIVE

Do we allocate money for refurbishment of tracks? ✓

Do we expand capacity and eliminate bottlenecks? ✗

### INNOVATIVE

Do we allocate money for refurbishment of tracks? ✓

Do we expand capacity and eliminate bottlenecks? ✓

## EXPECTED RESULT

### RIDERSHIP

↓ DECREASE

0 STAGNATION

↑ GROWTH

✓ THIS IS WHAT THE STRATEGY PROPOSED



## GOALS OF THE STRATEGY

### From all suburban railway station

4x



At least 4 trains shall depart to Budapest every hour.

3x



Those shall provide direct connections to at least 3 metro lines.

2x



Number of passenger traffic shall be doubled.

1x



And all of these services shall be accessible with a unified pass or ticket.



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Prague, showing a dense urban landscape with a river (Vltava) winding through it. In the foreground, a large railway station with multiple tracks and platforms is visible, surrounded by various buildings and green spaces. A green rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing white text.

**INCREASING CAPACITY IS ESSENTIAL TO  
UNLOCK THE POTENTIAL RIDERSHIP  
GROWTH OF THE RAILWAY.**





## SOUTHERN RAILWAY RING – THE FIRST STEP IN ELEMINATING THE BOTTLENECKS





# SOUTHERN RAILWAY RING



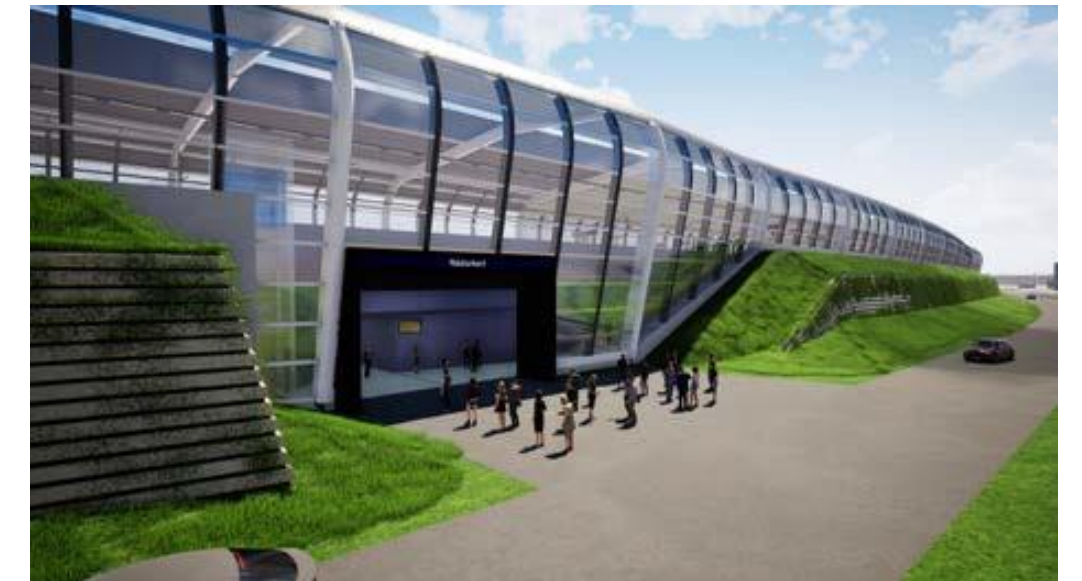
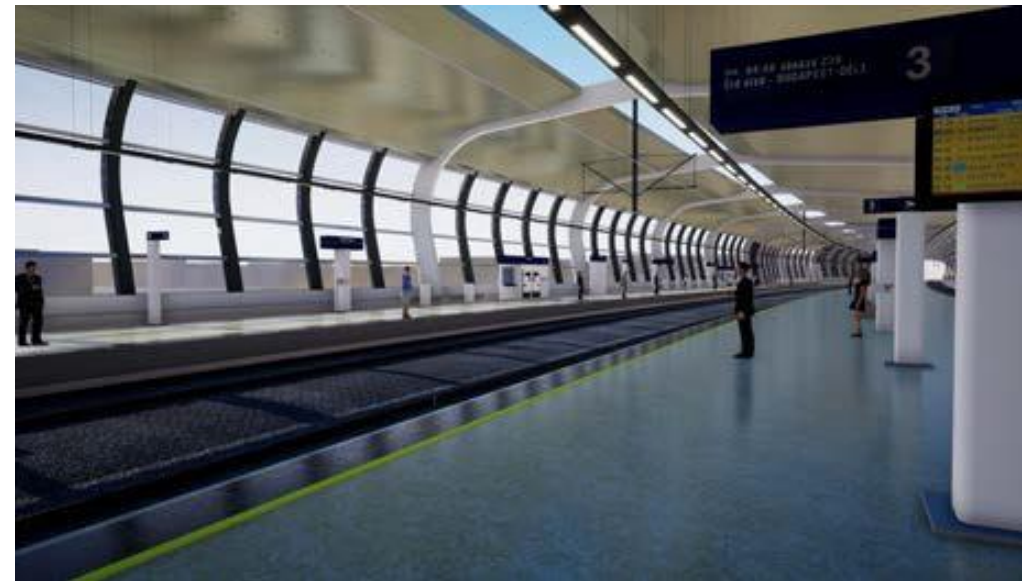


# NEW STATIONS AND TRANSPORT RELATIONS

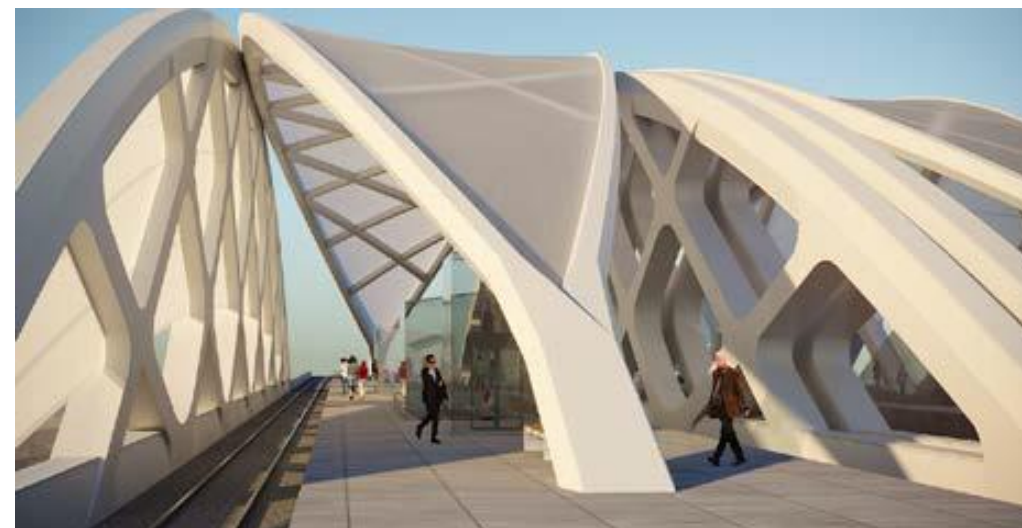
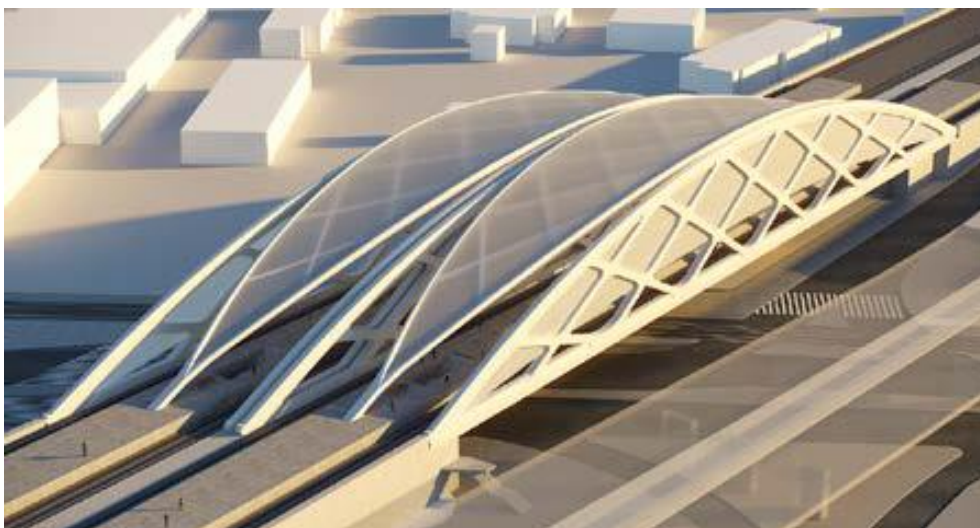
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KÖZVÁGÓHÍD



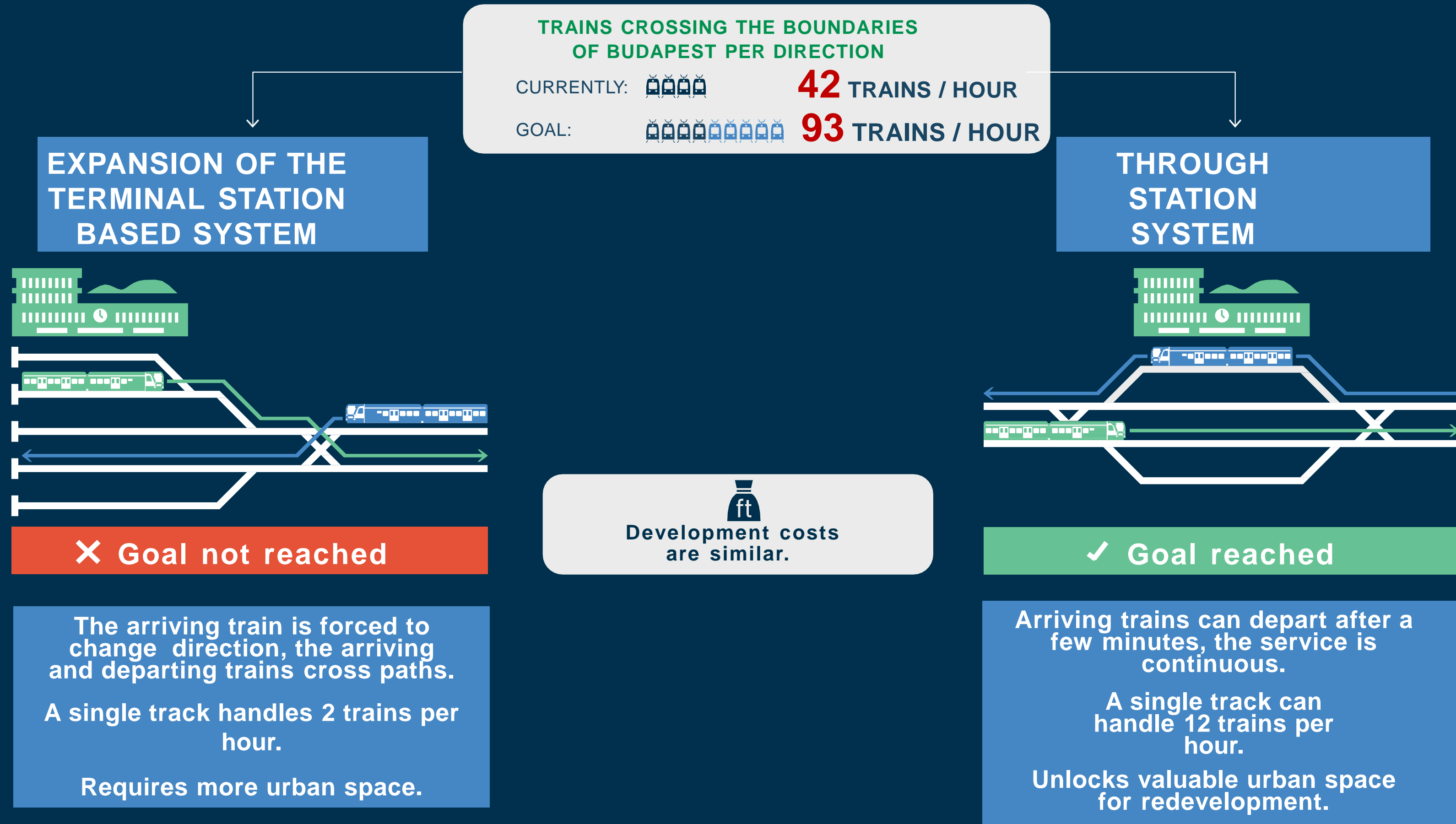


# NÉPLIGET TRAIN STATION



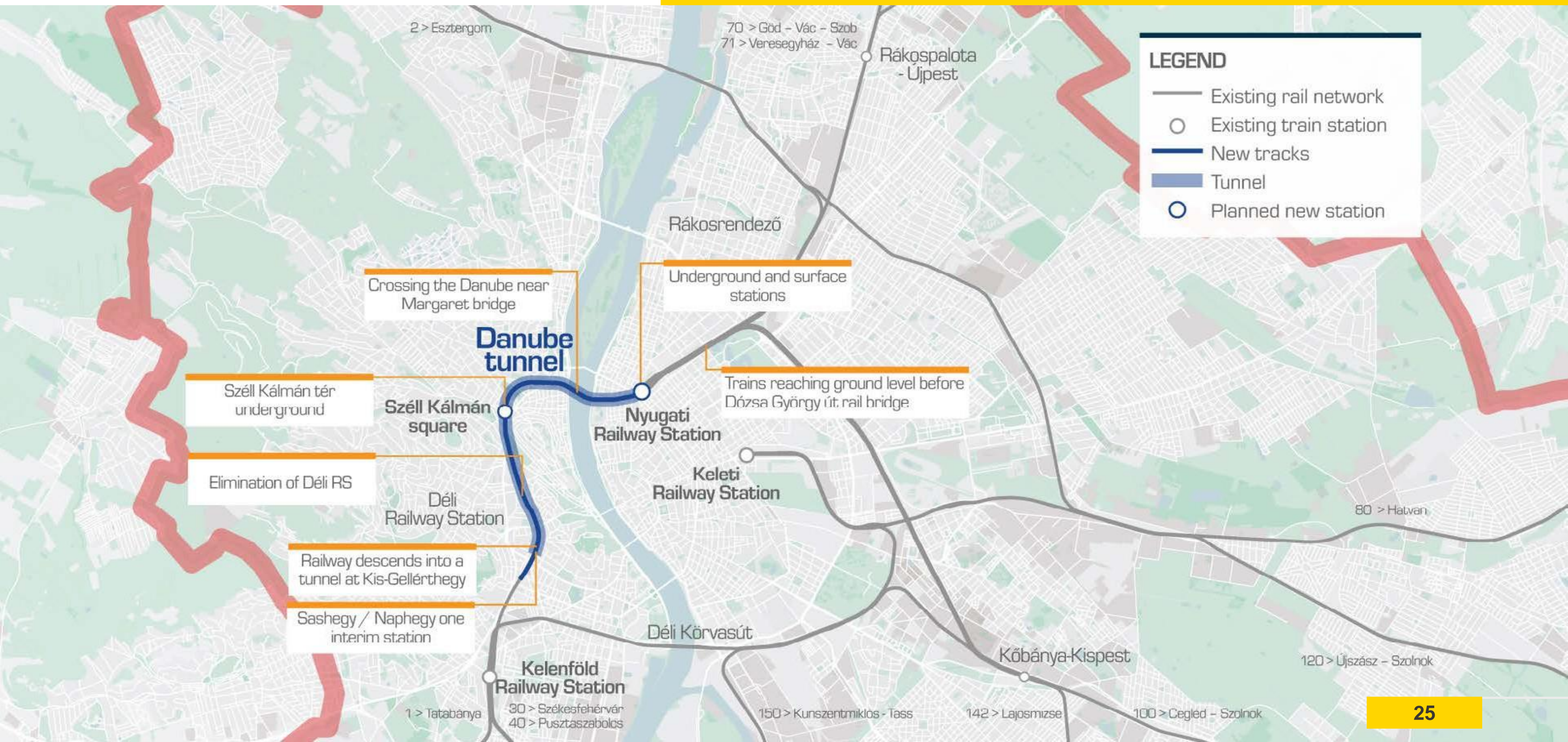


# WHY IS A THROUGH RAIL SYSTEM MORE BENEFICIAL THAN JUST RENEWING THE EXISTING TERMINAL STATIONS?





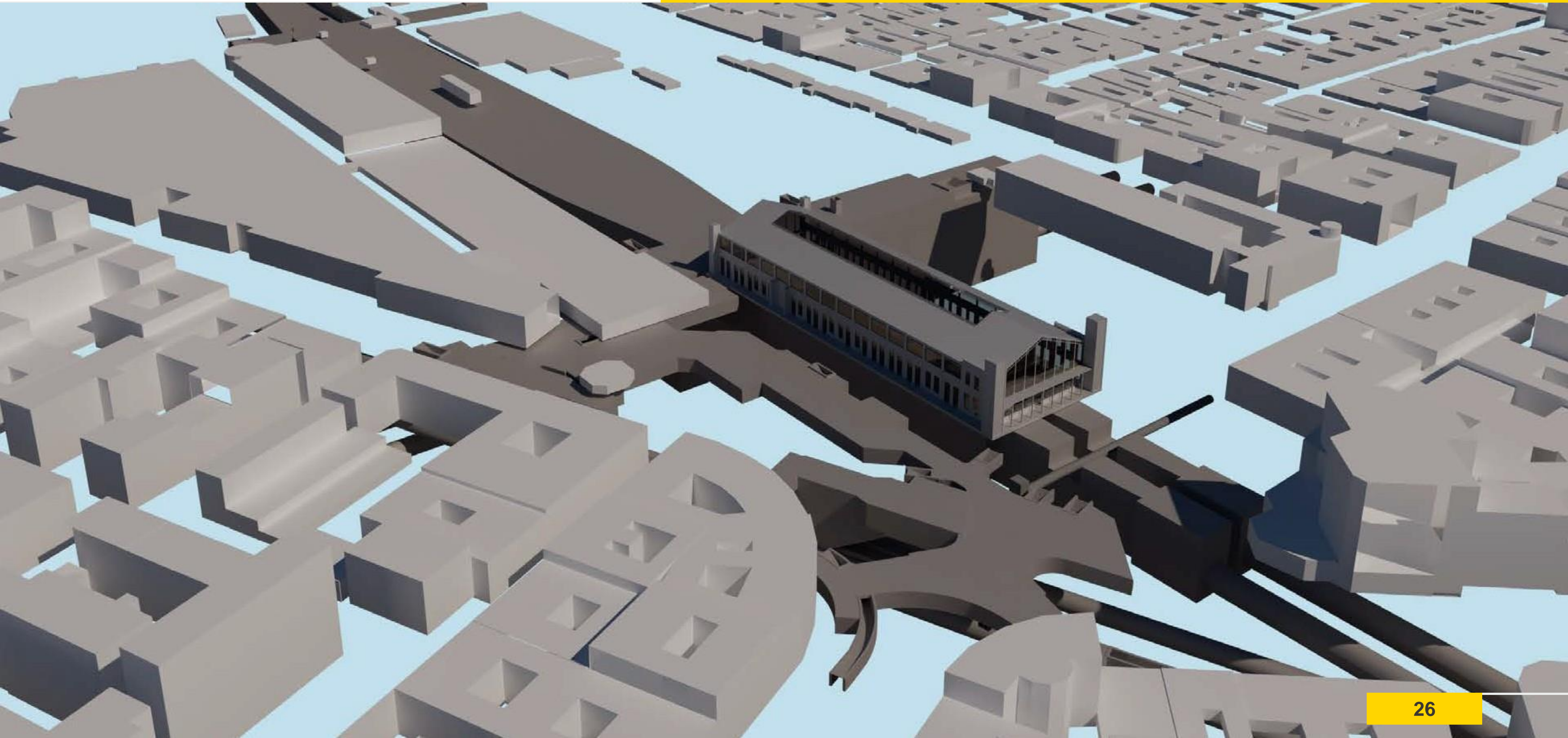
# CHOSEN AND PLANNED TRACK FOR THE TUNNEL







# 3D MODEL OF THE NEW NYUGATI STATION







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# RENEWAL OF NYUGATI RAILWAY STATION AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

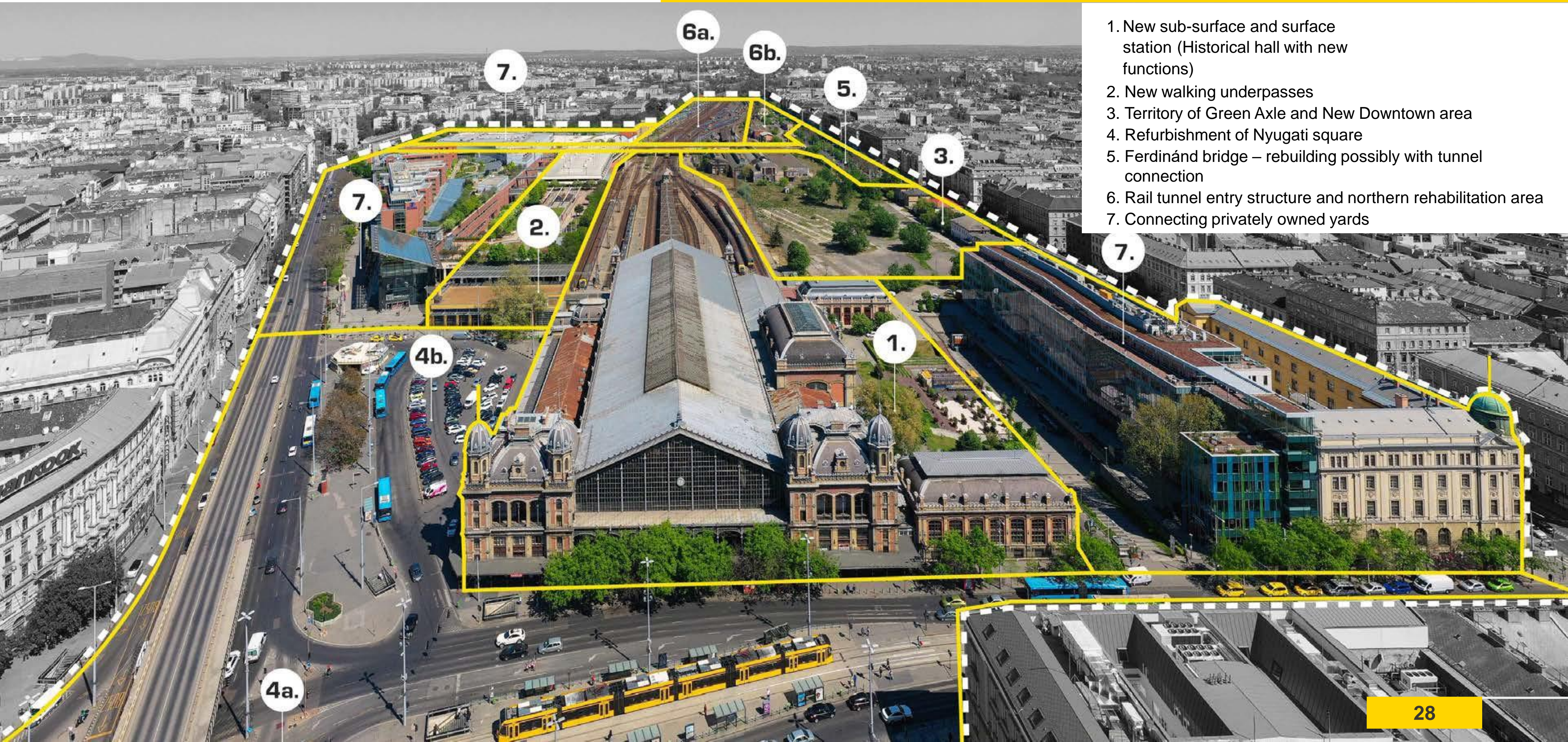


International design competition: huge interest, 36 architects' firms applied





# ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN CONTEST PLANNING PROGRAM



1. New sub-surface and surface station (Historical hall with new functions)
2. New walking underpasses
3. Territory of Green Axle and New Downtown area
4. Refurbishment of Nyugati square
5. Ferdinánd bridge – rebuilding possibly with tunnel connection
6. Rail tunnel entry structure and northern rehabilitation area
7. Connecting privately owned yards



# BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AREA

**Whole development  
area:  
44 ha**

**Brownfield area:  
23,5 ha**

**State owned:  
15 ha**

**Privately owned:  
8,5 ha**



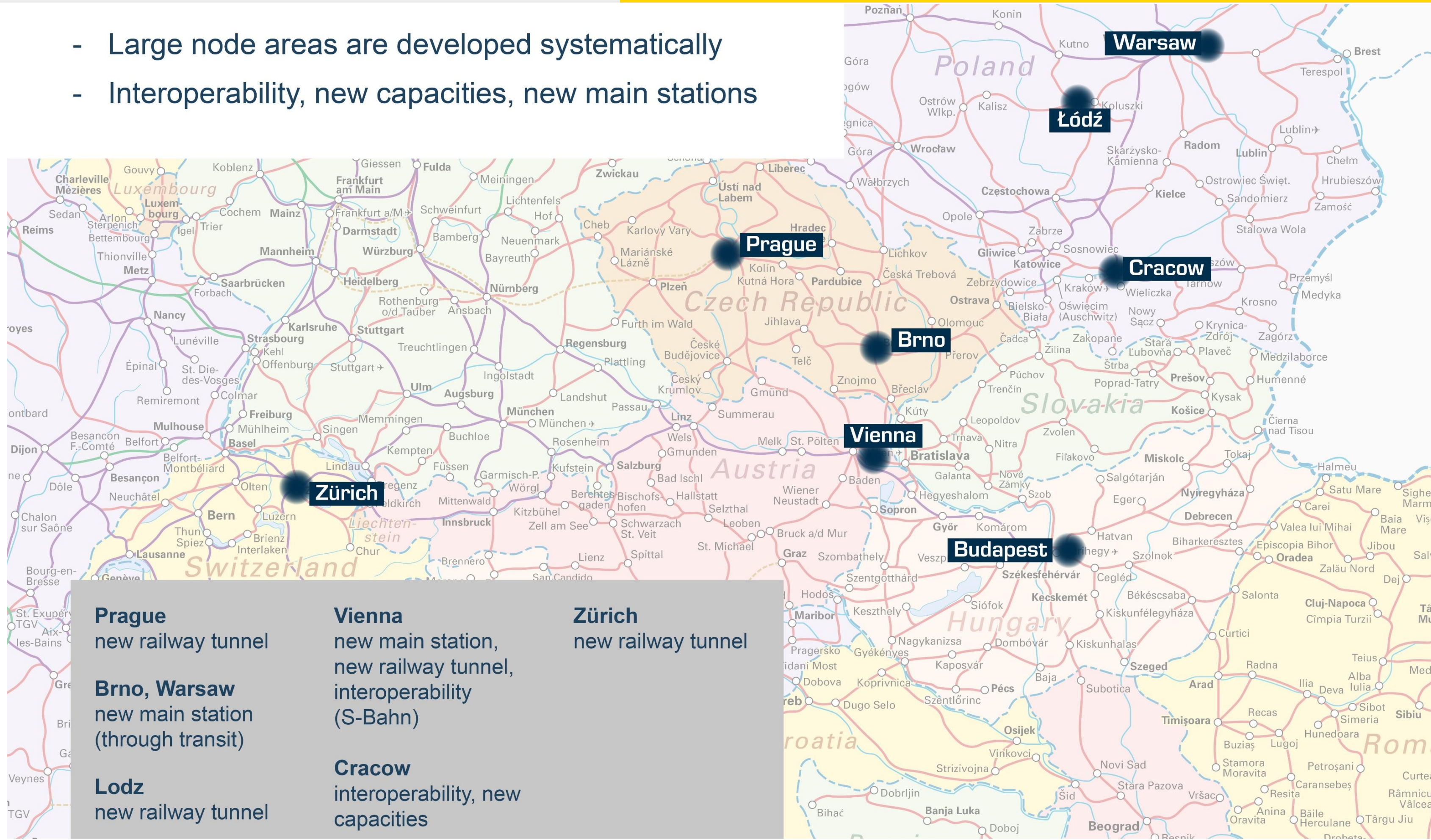
**IMPORTANT BROWN FIELD ZONES**





# INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK – STRATEGY IN FOCUS IN CENTRAL EUROPE

- Large node areas are developed systematically
- Interoperability, new capacities, new main stations



**Prague**  
new railway tunnel

**Brno, Warsaw**  
new main station  
(through transit)

**Łódź**  
new railway tunnel

**Vienna**  
new main station,  
new railway tunnel,  
interoperability  
(S-Bahn)

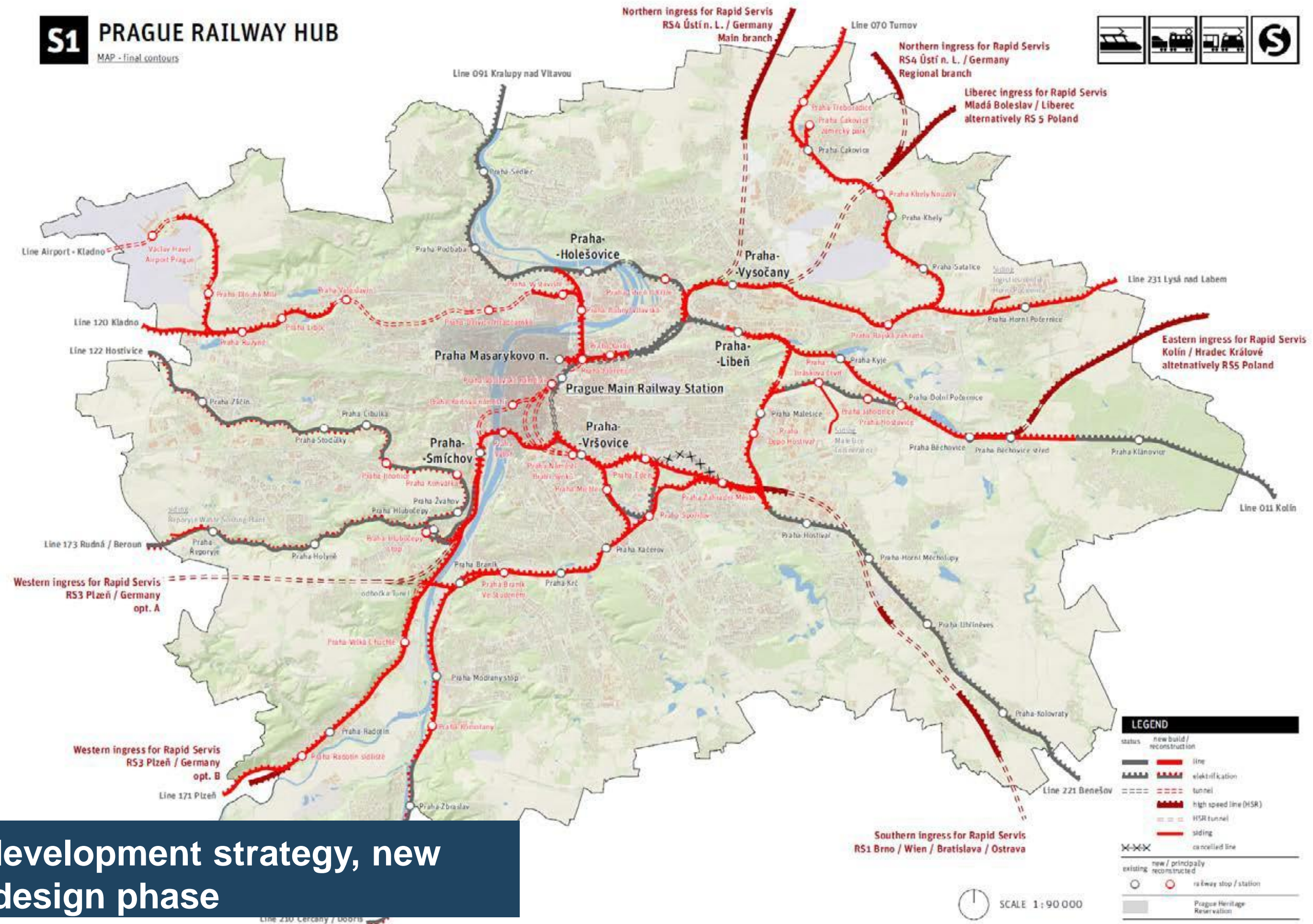
**Cracow**  
interoperability, new  
capacities

**Zürich**  
new railway tunnel



## S1 PRAGUE RAILWAY HUB

MAP - final contours



**adopted railway development strategy, new railway tunnel in design phase**





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# PRAGUE







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BRNO

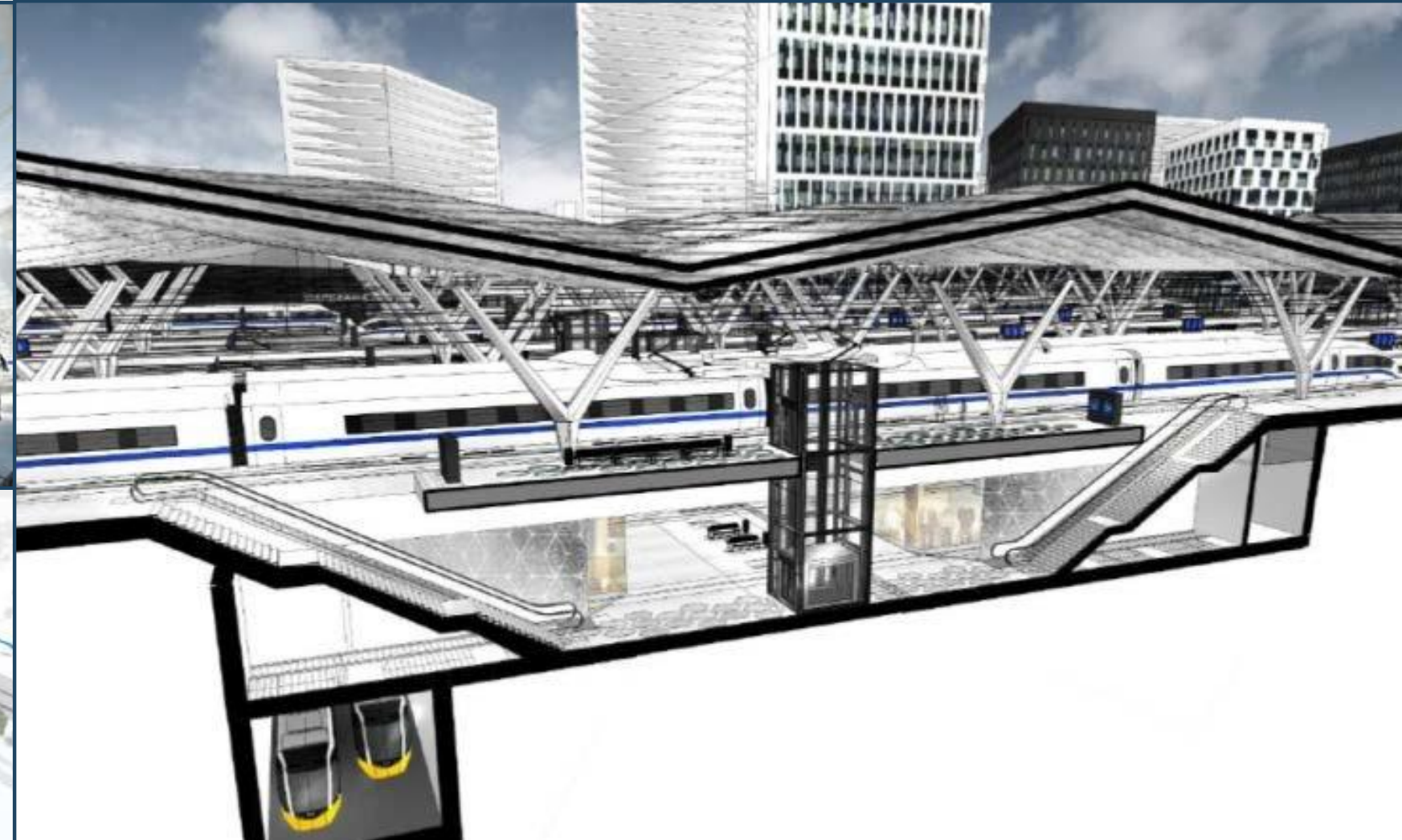
architectural design competition closing







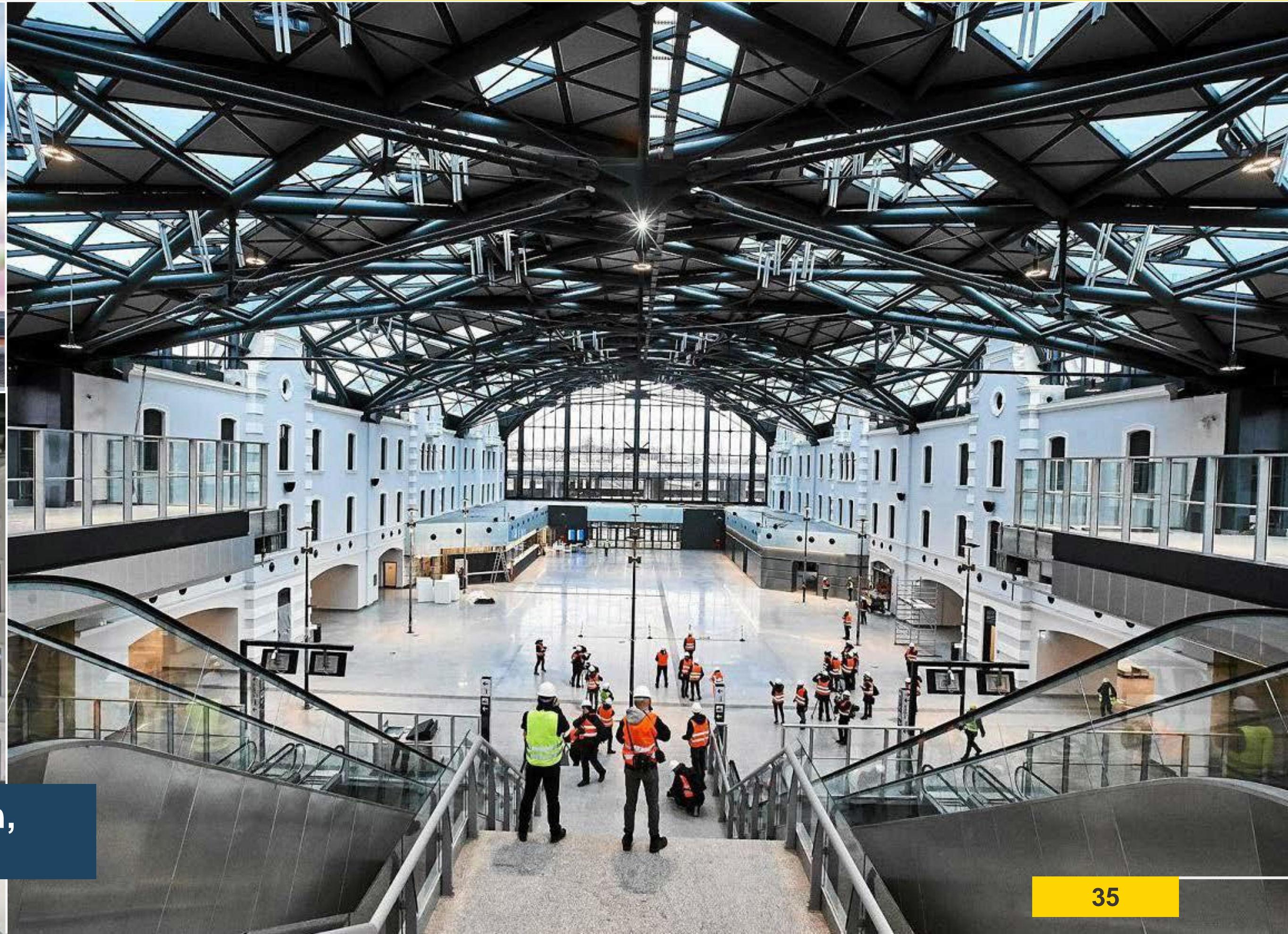
new station under  
construction







**new railway tunnel under construction,  
new station completed in 2016**







new capacities





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# VIENNA



new main station  
completed in 2014





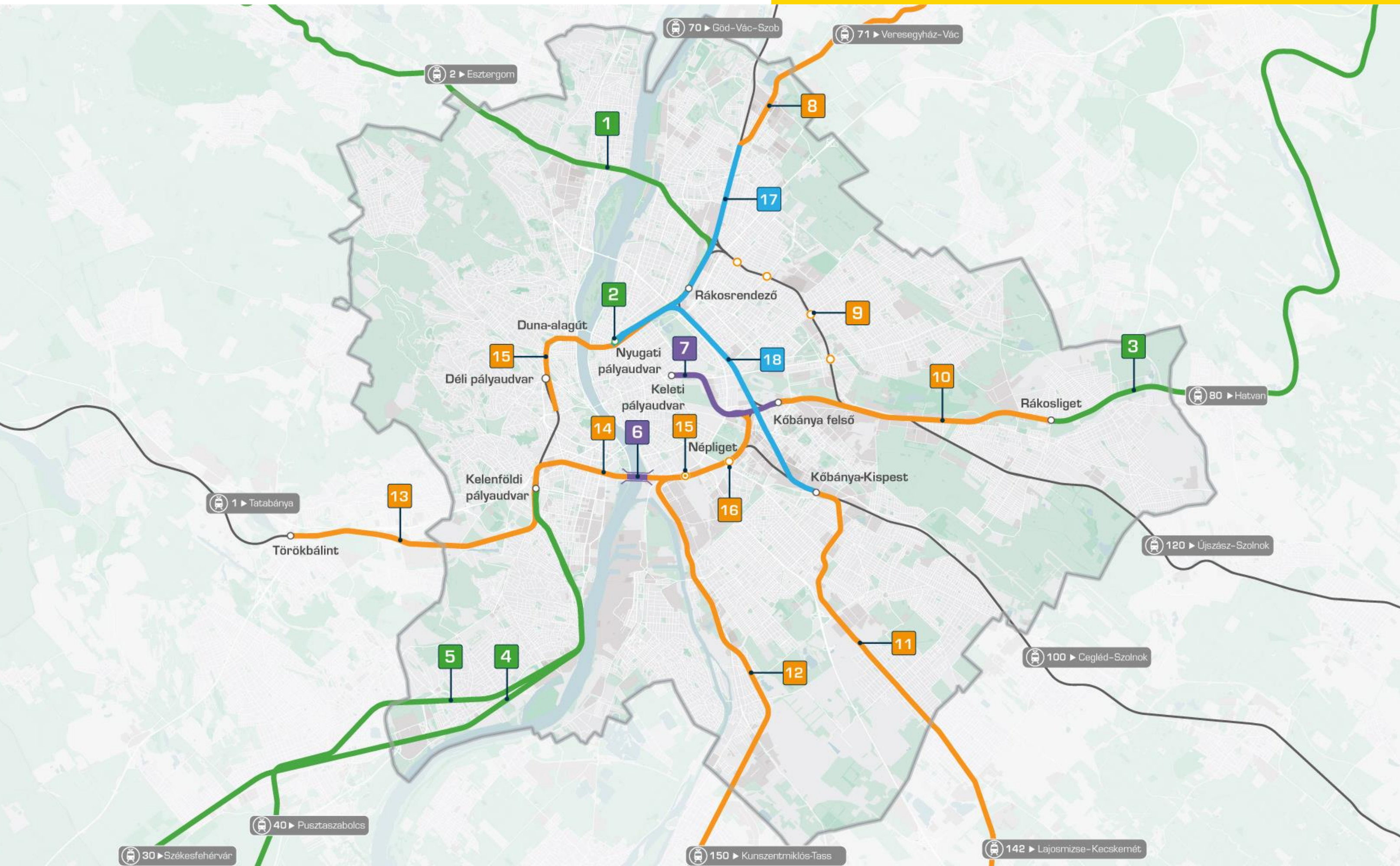








# DELIVERY OF THE STRATEGY



## Already completed

- 1 Budapest - Esztergom
- 2 Nyugati pályaudvar műemlék csarnok felújítás
- 3 Budapest - Hatvan
- 4 Budapest - Pusztaszabolcs
- 5 Budapest - Székesfehérvár

## Under construction

- 6 Összekötő vasúti híd
- 7 Keleti-Kőbánya felső szakasz

## Under planning

- 8 Budapest - Vereasegyház - Vác
- 9 Új megállók
- 10 Kőbánya felső - Rákosliget szakasz
- 11 Budapest - Lajosmizse - Kecskemét
- 12 Budapest - Kunszentmiklós - Tass
- 13 Kelenföld - Törökbálint szakasz
- 14 Déli körvasút
- 15 Ferencváros külön szintű vasúti keresztezés
- 16 Népliget megálló

## Under preparation

Nyugati bevezető szakaszai

- 17 Nyugati pályudvar - Rákosalota - Újpest
- 18 Nyugati pályudvar - Kőbánya - Kispest





# LONG DISTANCE RAILWAY NETWORK

MISKOLC – SIÓFOK

SZEGED – SZOMBATHELY



44 MINUTES TRAVEL  
TIME SAVING

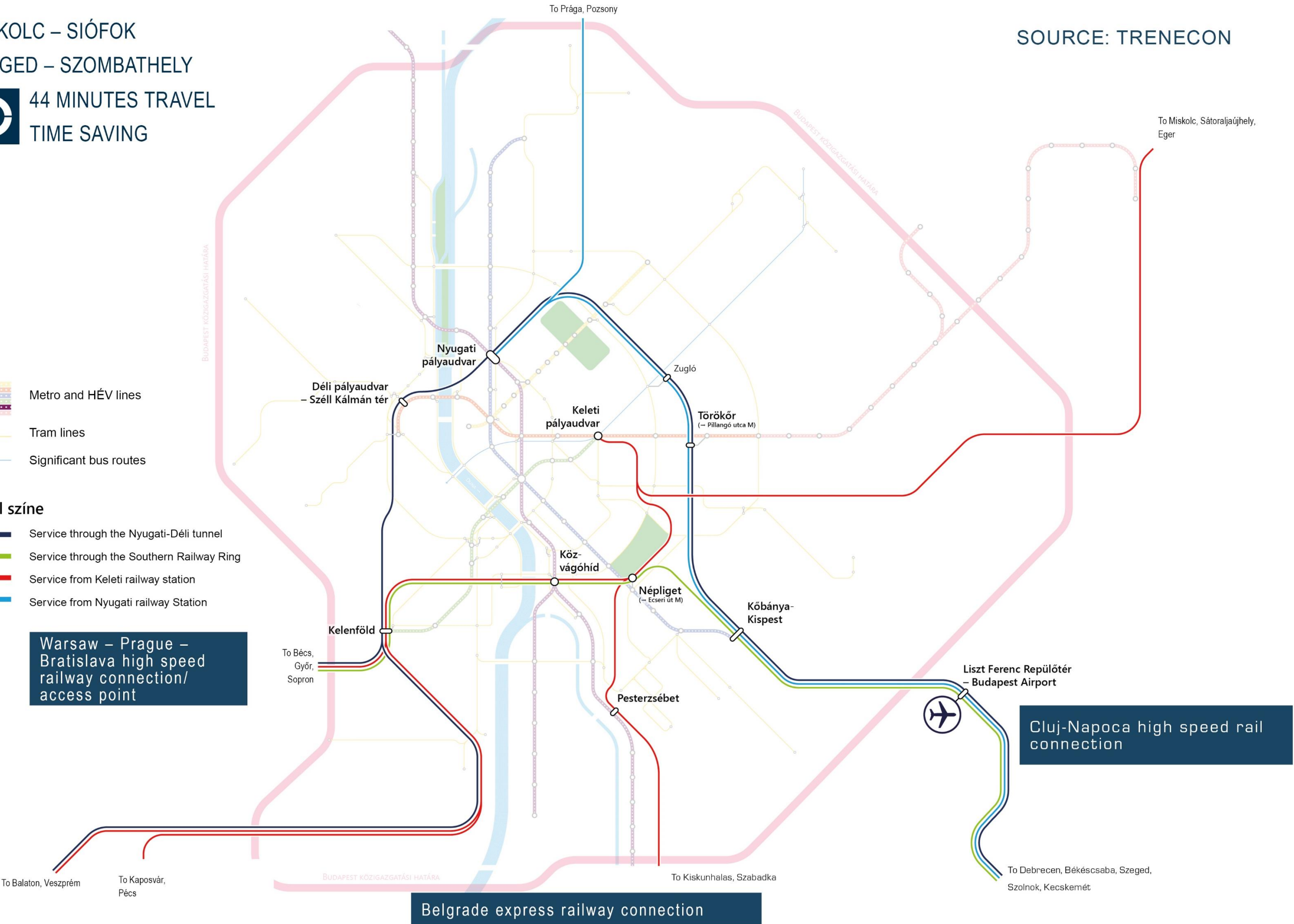
SOURCE: TRENECON

- Metro and HÉV lines
- Tram lines
- Significant bus routes

Vonal színe

- Service through the Nyugati-Déli tunnel
- Service through the Southern Railway Ring
- Service from Keleti railway station
- Service from Nyugati railway Station

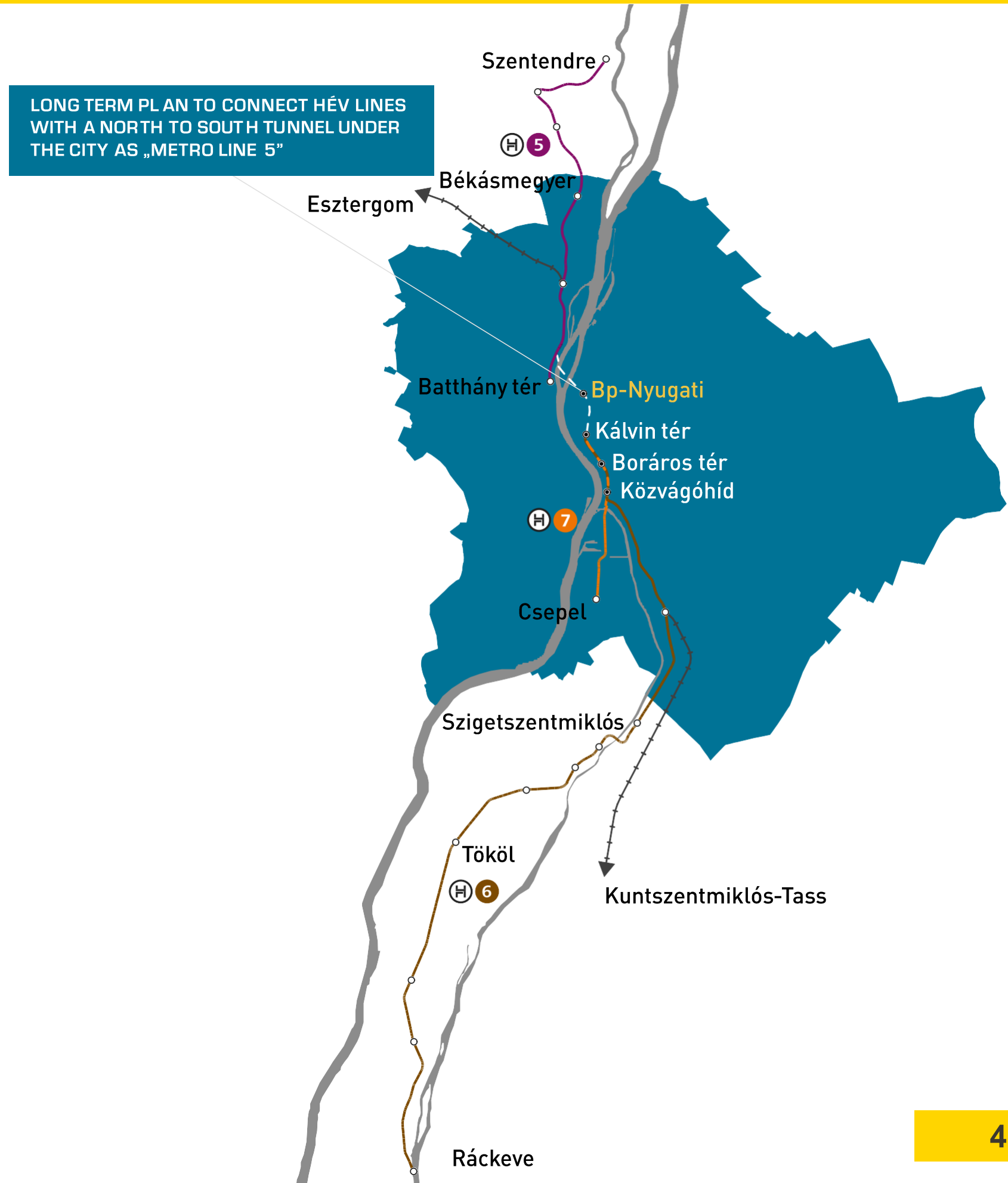
Warsaw – Prague –  
Bratislava high speed  
railway connection/  
access point



Belgrade express railway connection



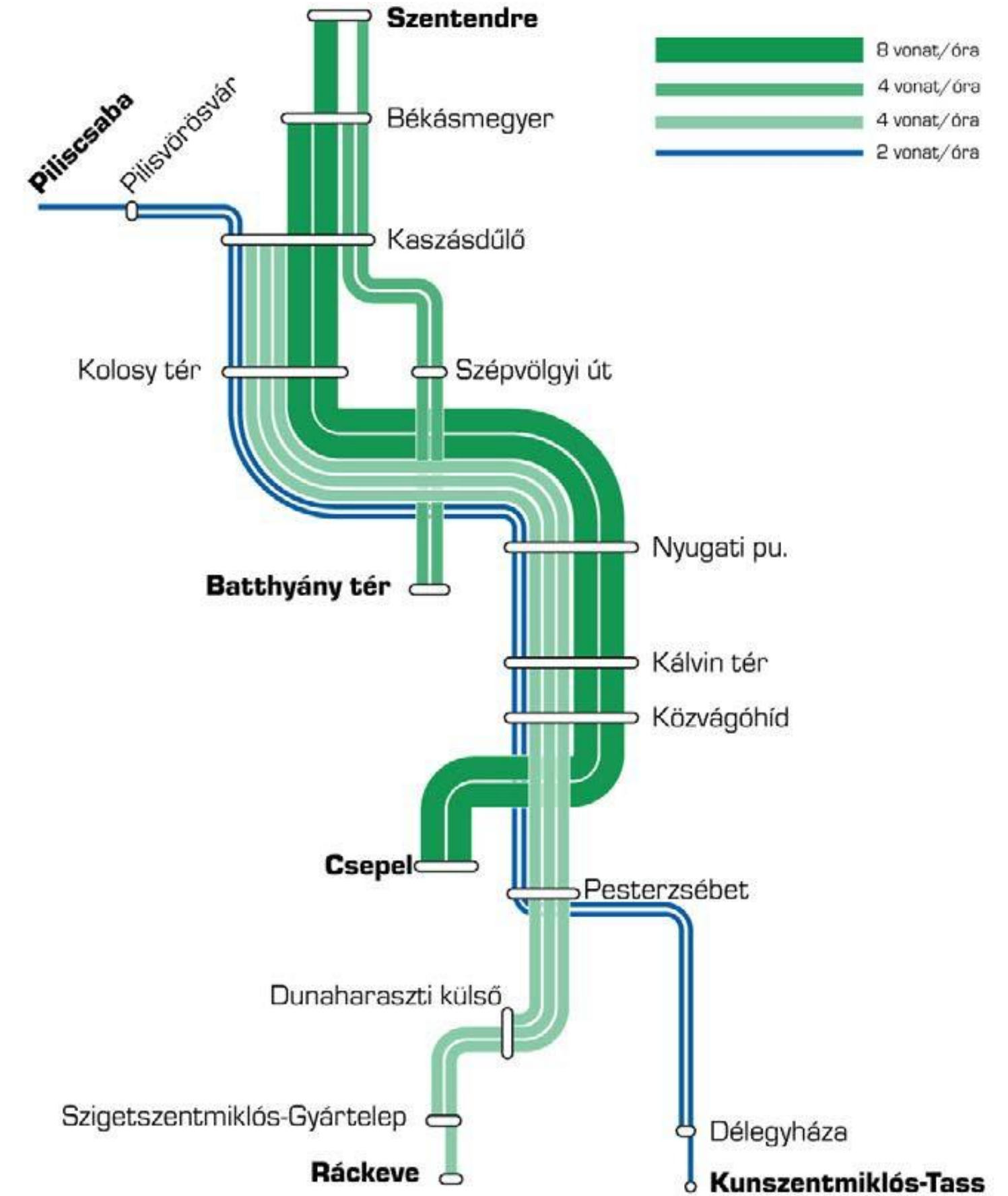
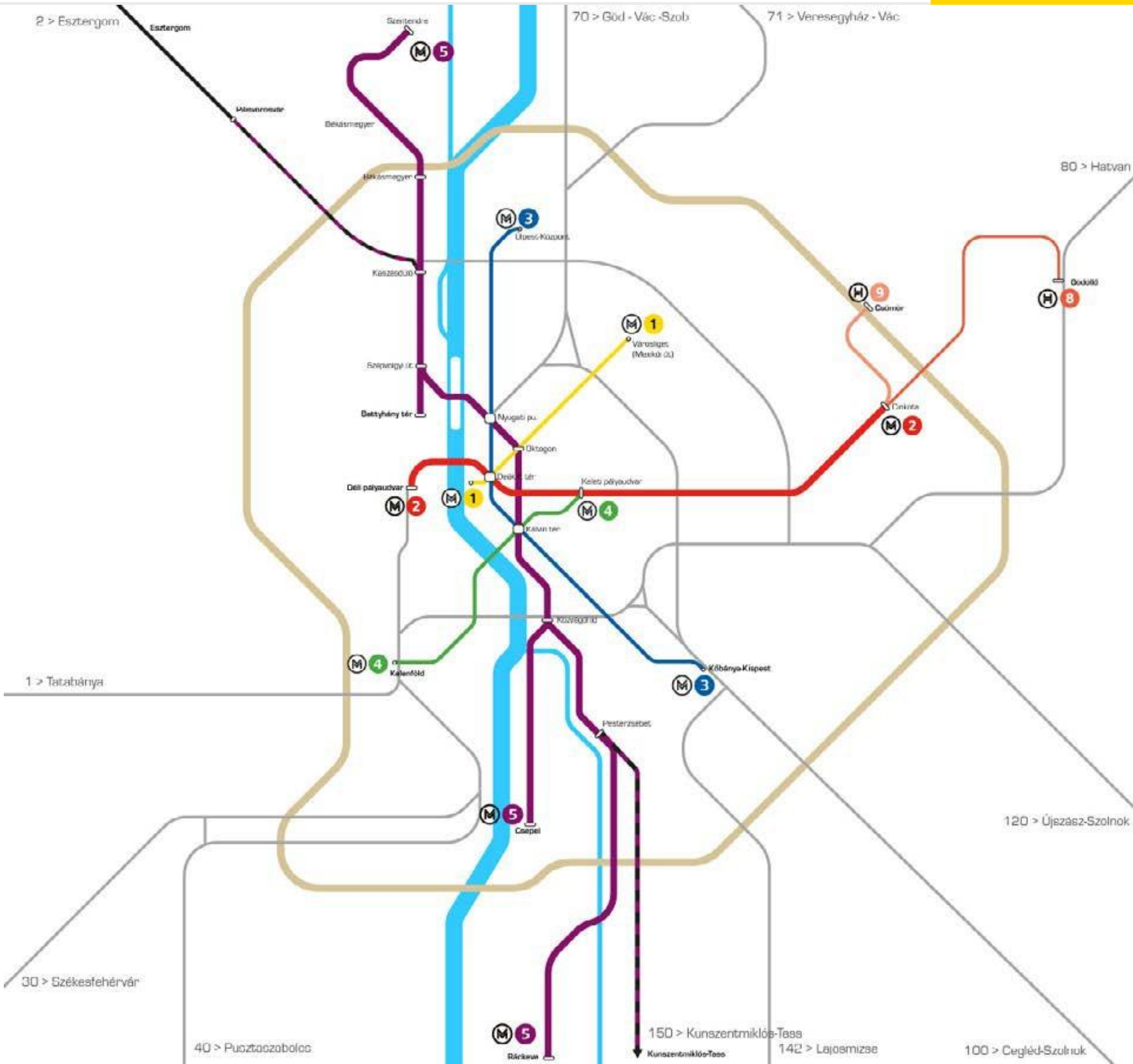
# SIGNIFICANCE OF HÉV-LINES IN URBAN AREAS: 620 000 AFFECTED RESIDENTS







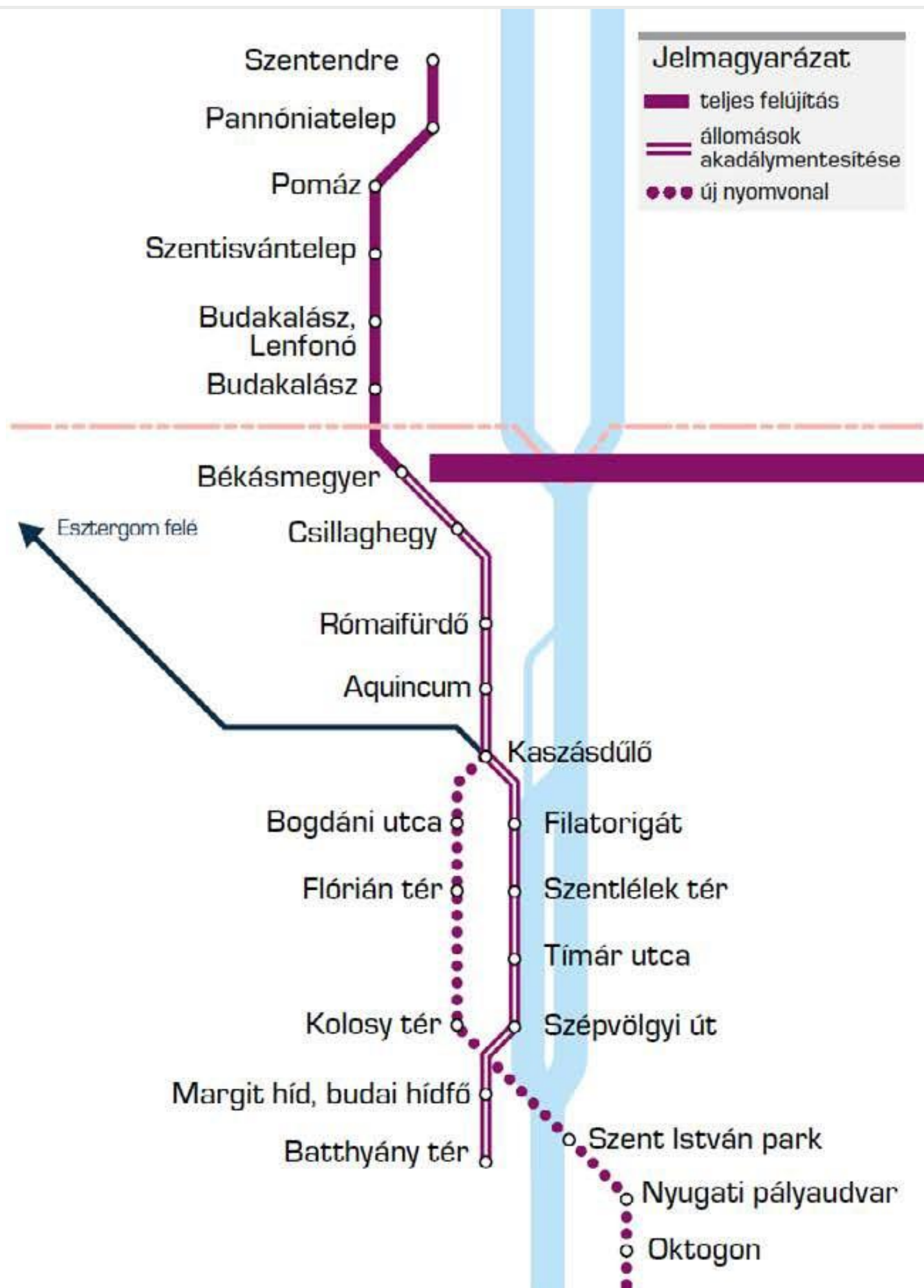
# A VISION FOR THE FUTURE: M5 METRO LINE







# THE FIRST PHASE OF THE DEVELOPMENT: H5 LINE – GENERAL PARAMETERS



Full reconstruction between Békásmegyer and Szentendre: tracks, electric power-supply system, signalling, stations, P+R facilities

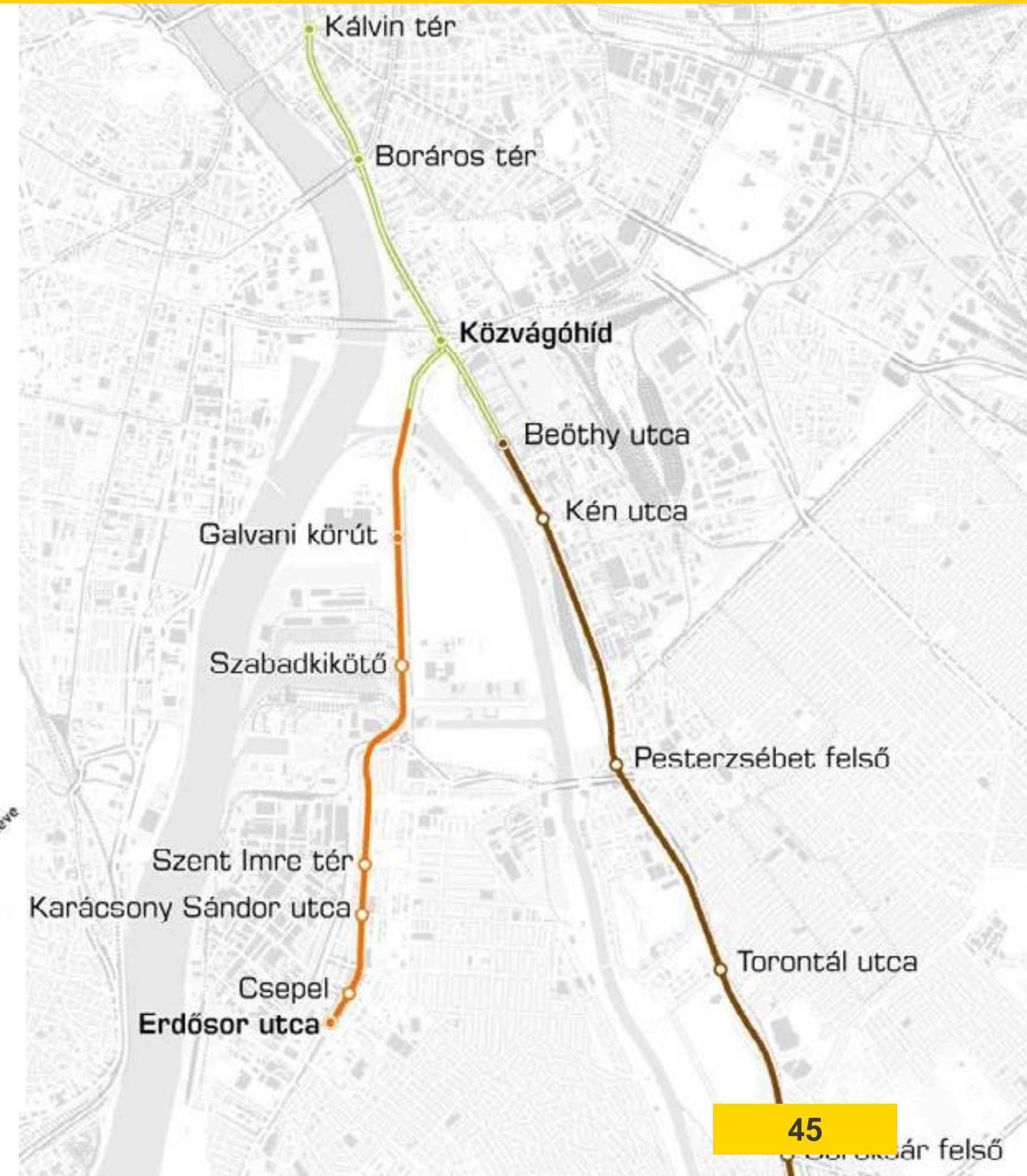
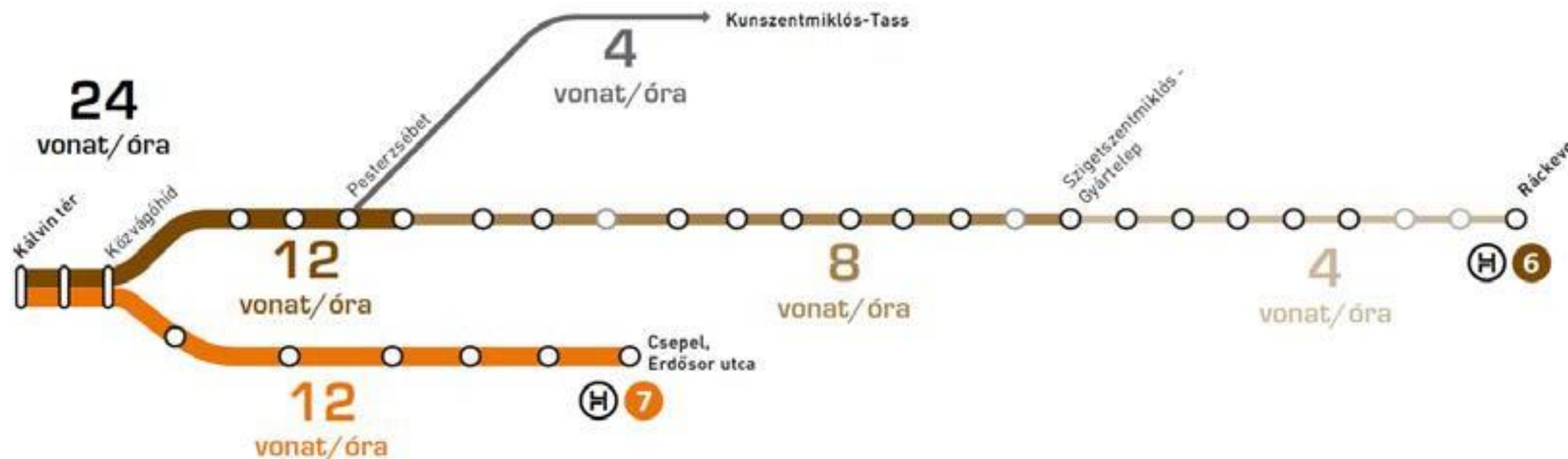
**TRAINS RUNNING FROM  
BÉKÁSMEGYER EVERY 4  
MINUTES**

Integration with the national railway network:  
connection of the Esztergom commuter railway line to  
Batthyány tér



# THE FIRST PHASE OF THE DEVELOPMENT: H6/H7 LINES

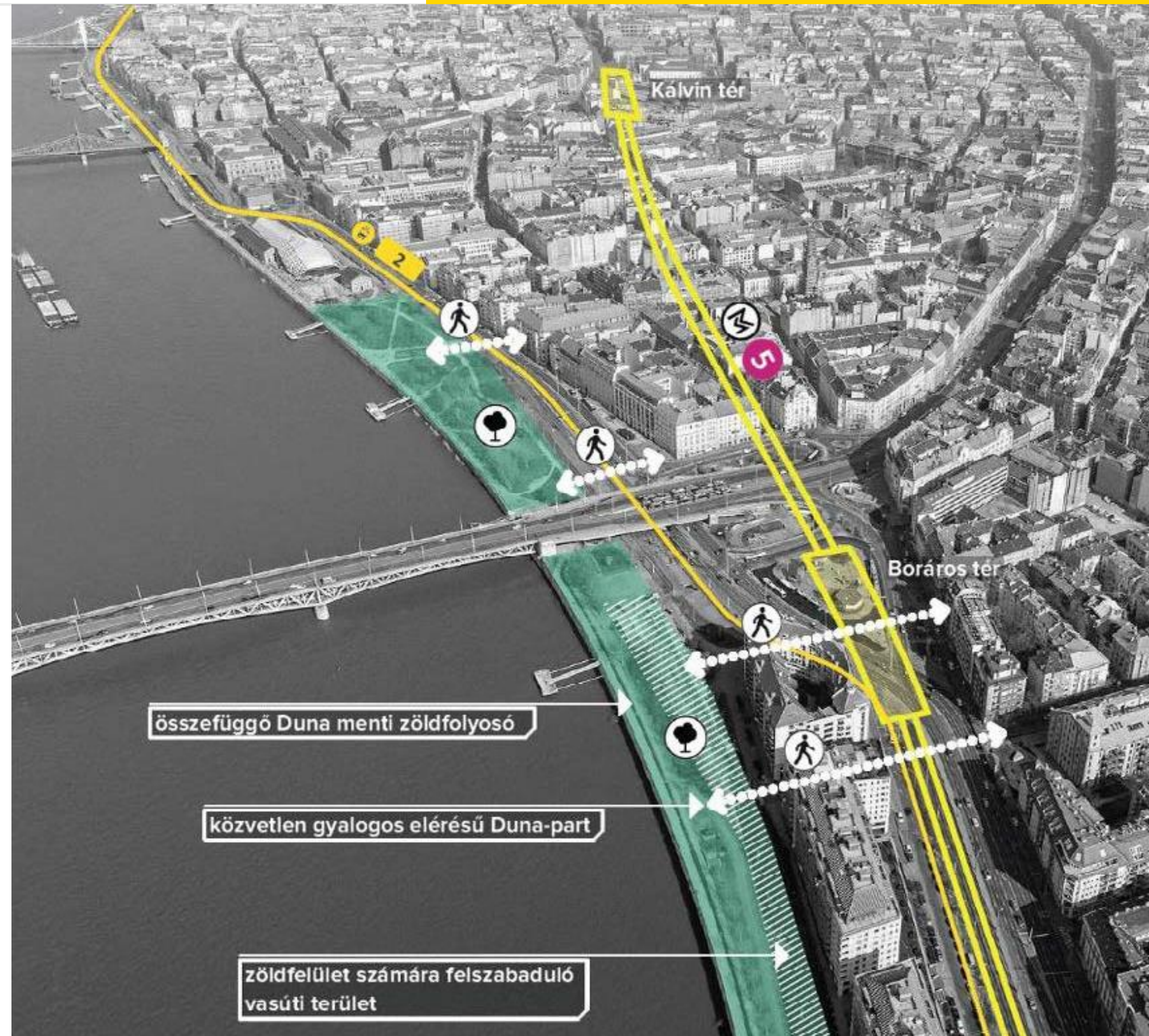
- Full reconstruction, modernisation and improving accessibility on Csepel (H7) és Ráckevei (H6) HÉV lines
- Connection and extension of the two line to Kálvin tér, Direct transfer to M3 and M4 metro lines.
- Extension of H7 line in Csepelen until Erdősor utca, construction of P+R parking
- Integration with the national railway network: connection of the Kunszentmiklós commuter railway line to Kálvin tér







# NEW PROMENADE ON THE DANUBE RIVERBANK







**H 7**  
Csepeli HÉV

**H 6**  
Ráckevei HÉV

**Közvágóhíd**  
railway stop

**Déli Körvasút**

**Nádorkert**  
railway and tram stop

**Budai Fonódó**  
tram extension

**1**

**H6, H7 Közvágóhíd**  
joint station under the surface

**DIRECT TRANSFER**



# WHAT DO WE EXPECT FROM MODERNISATION OF THE LINES?







Ⓜ 5



+15,7%

Ⓜ 6



+218%

Ⓜ 7



+35,4%





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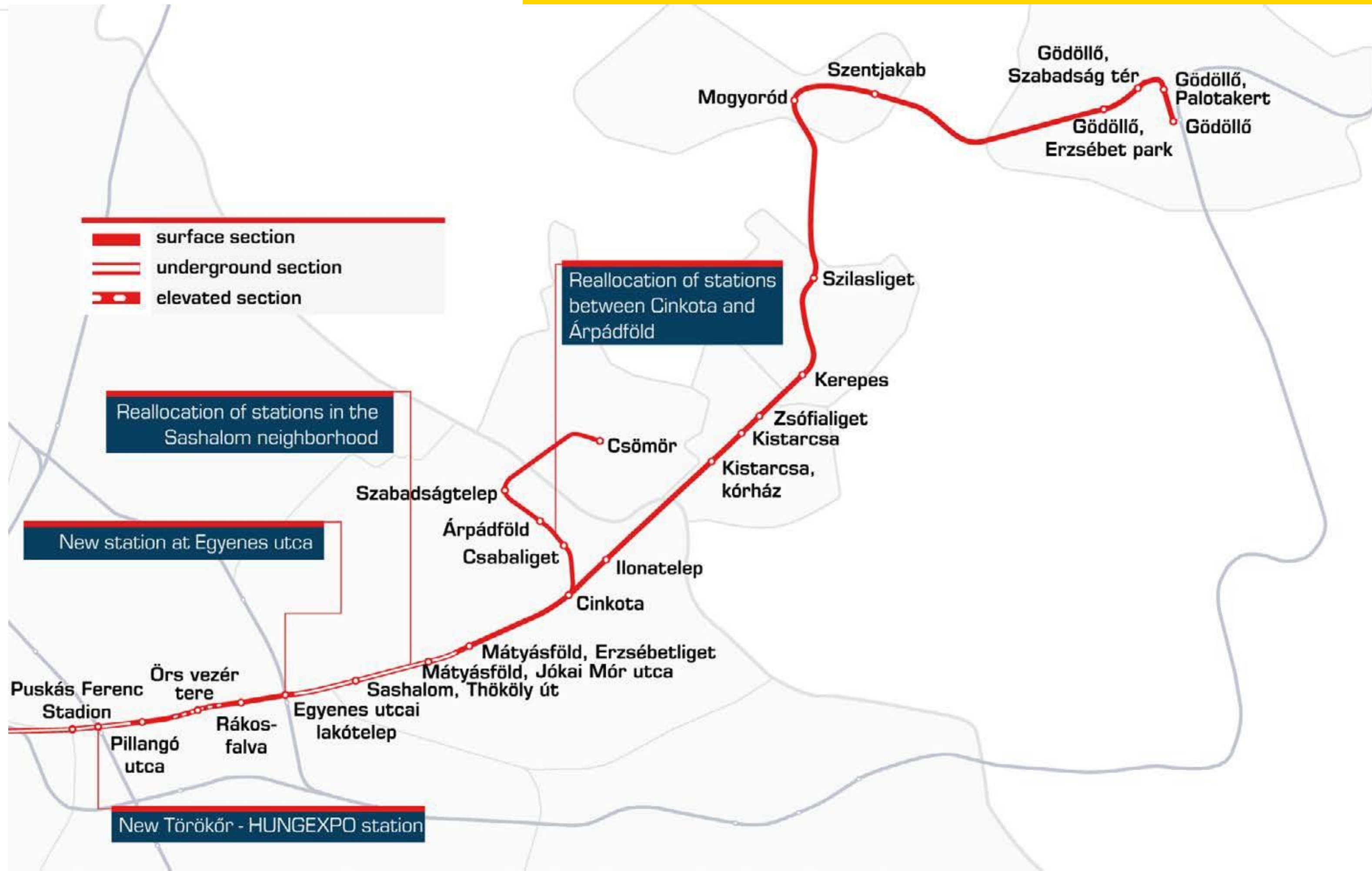
# CONNECTING M2 METRO LINE WITH SUBURBAN RAILWAY LINE H8/H9







# GOALS OF THE DEVELOPMENT





SOURCE: TRENECON







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# THANK YOU FOR THE ATTENTION

