



RSA To EC: Investigate Hungarian Purchase of Chinese-Built Passenger Trains

CRRC uses below-market pricing and anti-competitive tactics in attempt to take over the global rolling stock market

(WASHINGTON, DC) — The Rail Security Alliance urged the European Commission (EC) to investigate a reported deal Hungary has made to purchase 100 passenger trains from China's state-owned rolling stock manufacturer CRRC and its subsidiary CRRC Changchun Railway Vehicles.

Citing massive Chinese state subsidies, below-market pricing, and anti-competitive tactics, RSA Executive Director Erik Olson said in a letter to European Commission (EC) President Ursula von der Leyen and Executive Vice-President Valdis Dombrovskis, *"It's clear CRRC and its subsidiaries intend to deploy these same market-distorting tactics to dominate the European Union's rail manufacturing sector."*

Previously, the EC has used its foreign subsidies regulation to investigate CRRC's anti-competitive bids for rail tenders in Bulgaria and Portugal. At the same time, entities such as The European Rail Supply Industry ([UNIFE](#)) have called out the security risks of turning to companies from high-risk countries such as China for trains and rail systems.

"We hope the Commission will look closely at CRRC's deal in Hungary," Olson added. The EC should use all the authority at its disposal to *"to ensure CRRC is not, once again, using government subsidies and anti-competitive tactics to gain unfair access to the European market."*

Read the full letter [here](#).

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