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ALLRAIL members on The Comeback of Night Trains in Europe

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Night trains must be an attractive alternative to driving and flying, especially in the recovery period after COVID-19. In the video, we discuss new night services of privately-funded operators, but also barriers to entry. On June 16th, 2020, Snälltåget announced that in 2021 it will operate its night trains between Sweden and Germany via Denmark for the first time. Furthermore, it plans to quadruple the number of night train departures compared to 2019. Then, only 10 days later, Snälltåget also announced a new direct night train service between Sweden, Denmark, and several ski resorts in Austria – to provide an alternative to air and private car travel for holidaymakers. RegioJet launched a new summer night train service linking 5 EU Member States – the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, and Croatia. The inaugural trip took place on June 30th, 2020. Despite being formed of 12 coaches, demand has been so great that only last week it doubled the frequency of the trains. RegioJet also plans to start night trains between Austria, the Czech Republic, and Poland later this year.

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- RegioJet: https://www.regiojet.com
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