

Intermodal/Combined Transport in Europe

UIRR'S VISION



UIRR - Overview



- Members: Combined Transport Operators and Terminal Managers, the link between road and rail
- Logistics companies and road hauliers: customers and shareholders of UIRR Members
- Performance: UIRR Members handled more than 50% of European Combined Transport in 2013
- Mission: to ensure that fair regulatory conditions in transport enable the competition, based on technical merit and competence/management excellence
- UIRR: founded in 1970
 seat in Brussels since 1988

UIRR - Strategy



UIRR is an **industry association** which

- **PROMOTES** the public understanding and appreciation of Road-Rail Combined Transport,

- **ENHANCES** its development and the proliferation of industry best practice,

- **SUPPORTS** the daily operation of European Combined Transport with a series of services



UIRR – Growth rate of Members 1989 – 2013





Intermodal/Combined Transport





Superior resource efficiency • Very low emission of CO₂/GHG and pollutants Excellent safety performance • Reduced road congestion and degradation Meaningful contribution to lessen Europe's dependency on oil



Directive 92/106: probably the oldest piece of European transport legislation in effect today

- History: Combined Transport has been promoted on an EU level since 1975 6-7% average annual growth rate of Combined Transport since 1989 is the evidence for an effective regulatory support
- Why is an EU-level regulatory framework needed?
 80% of intermodal/combined transport takes place on border-crossing relations facilitated by actors falling under the jurisdiction of different Member States

Continued promotion

needed as long as regulatory imbalance of the various modes in the different Member States continues to exist

Mitigation of complexity

the cooperation between several modes to perform a transport-chain requires a transhipment between modes and the collaboration of many actors which results in complexity, that should not be exacerbated by a heterogeneous regulatory framework



Framework legislation

- definitions and Pan-European rules for technical aspects such as codification, certification, registration, etc.

Temporary benefits

- to counterbalance the regulatory disadvantage for as long as it continues to prevail (proportionately to the status quo in each Member State)

Optimised infrastructure

- complementing the large CEF Transport projects with small scale development aid on a Member State level to eliminate infrastructure limitations faced by consignors if wishing to shift to intermodal/combined transport

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Development plans

- encouraging the complex horizontal thinking required by intermodal/combined transport based logistics on a Member State level

Intermodality tests

- systematic test of any policy or regulatory proposal as part of the impact assessment to check whether an intermodal/combined transport solution could not deliver the desired outcome more efficiently

Monitoring and reporting

- accurate measurement of intermodal/combined transport performance and regular feed-back to the decision-makers



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23 May 2014: DG MOVE initiated a public consultation

- to gather information about the implementation of the CT Directive, as well as
- to assess whether a revision of the CT Directive would be desirable and, if so,
- what possible enhancements could be made in future revisions of Combined Transport policy. (Deadline of responses: 15 August 2014)

The sector welcomed the initiative proven by

- the high number of responses to the public consultation, and
- the strong attendance at the related stakeholder workshop on 27 June 2014.

The raw results of the public consultation were published on DG MOVE's website a few weeks ago, promising the following:

"a summary report will be published on this webpage. The contributions will feed into the impact assessment that is being prepared for the initiative"

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Raw responses - a short summary:

87 responses from 17 Member States

- an even balance of SME, large enterprise, NGO, public authority respondents, with twice the rate for industry associations)
- 90% knew about Directive 92/106
- **59%** said that the Directive helped their business
- 90%+ said the Directive has NOT achieved its objective of modal-shift
- 90%+ said that "CT would not be economically viable without the Directive,"
- 94% believe that the EU should "continue supporting CT operations,"
- **50-70%** support the extension of scope to IWW and SSS (coastal type)

86% agreed that "the CT Directive should be reviewed to further boost CT"

Resource efficient freight transport...



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Modal shift:

"Shifting of 30% of long-distance road tonne-kilometres to sustainable modes by 2030 and 50% by 2050"

- 2011 EU transport White Paper

Easiest achieved through intermodal/combined transport - which needs an effective European regulatory framework

This could be delivered most naturally through the

RECAST OF DIRECTIVE 92/106



THANKYOU For your attention

