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The mission of UIRR





through enabling competition and cooperation on the basis of

- 1) technical merit of the particular transport solution offered
- 2) competence (professionalism) of those who organize CT
- 3) with UIRR as the collective voice of the intermodal sector

PROMOTE: UIRR's representativity in 2017



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Development of Combined Transport









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Bottlenecks to the development of intermodal transport



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Terminal capacity

- <u>Uneven terminal density</u>: good subsidy scheme > no CAPEX support
- Lack of urban terminals: close to downtown to directly support city logistics
- <u>Quality/homogeneity</u>: upgrade to CNC parametres
- Operational standards: Implementing Act on Access to Service Facilities
- <u>'Not in my back yard' effect</u>: fear of noise and traffic is hurdle to new projects
- Lack of coherent intermodal plans and/or commitment to modal-shift: insufficient input to encourage developers and/or to reduce risks







Quality train paths



Passenger traffic: 10% growth (no data of trainkm growth) | punctuality: 80-85% (to 5 minute)







Freight traffic: 10% shrinking (no data of trainkm growth) | punctuality: n/a



Rail freight quality:

- The EU RMMS Report does not contain data
- Sector data collection (UIRR, RFCs) shows great variations with average est. below 50% (to 30 minute standard)

National rules (railway)

- <u>Clean-up of national rules</u>: work in progress at ERA – core countries lagging behind
- <u>UIC Leaflets vs ERATSIs</u>: persistent lack of clarity; some progress in changing UIC Leaflets
- <u>Traffic rules</u>: no European priority rules, passenger traffic is prioritised over freight (even when latter is on time)
- Path allocation rules: freight comes after passenger when deciding access to the tracks – without proper social benefit analysis
- Infrastructure development: lack of fair competition for investment resources between freight and passenger needs





Physical bottlenecks (railway)



- Symbolic infrastructure: uneven progress some big projects advance faster than others
- <u>Connecting lines</u>: uncoordinated upgrades of connecting lines to/from symbolic infrastructure like Gotthard Base Tunnel
- <u>TEN-T parameters</u>: inconsistent progress in train length, axle load and profile gauge upgrades and ERTMS implementation
- <u>Small-scale bottlenecks</u>: replacement of switches, extension of bypass lines, completion of missing electrification progresses slowly and often lacks funding
- <u>Coordination of works</u>: deficiencies both in the coordination of planning and the implementation of works is a shortfall of cooperation foreseen under the Rail Freight Corridors





Divergent regulatory framework and enforcement

- Intermodal uncertainties: ageing and imprecisely worded Directive 92/106 impedes uniform application of rules, which results in enforcement-related disruptions in some Member States
- Voluntary standards: codification- and identification-related heterogeneity causes extra costs and losses of efficiency
- National compensation schemes: unpredictable national schemes reduce the value and effectiveness of compensation and promotional measures extended to intermodal actors and/or users
- <u>Unclear goals</u>: lack of coordination between Member States and mode-specific regulators in the goals to be achieved by intermodal transport result in wasteful use of resources





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How long does it take to get to a legislative solution...

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---the effort to amend Directive 92/106 - since 2012...



Intermodal can do the job



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... if and where the framework conditions are right

- Rail infrastructure is developed coherently with strategic goals
- Recognition of freight: train path capacity allocation and traffic rules
- Development of capacities: lines and terminals (infrastructure)
- Intermodal rules are clearly defined and predictable compensation is offered





THANK YOU For your attention

