

Fachverband der Schienenbahnen NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND BEST PRACTICES IN COMBINED TRANSPORT



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UIRR: the industry association of intermodal transport





What is intermodal transport?



Multimodal transport

Goods transportation that employs more than one mode of transport.

Intermodal transport

Multimodal goods transportation where the cargo is carried in an intermodal loading unit throughout the entire journey.

Combined transport

Intermodal goods transportation where the road legs of the journey are kept to a minimum, while the longest possible section of the distance is covered by non-road modes of surface transport.

- MULTIMODAL = more than one mode of transport for a single assignment
- INTERMODAL = cargo held in a single intermodal loading unit from origin to destination
- COMBINED TRANSPORT = intermodal transport where the road legs are the shortest possible

EU POLICY OBJECTIVE:

70% OF INTERMODAL TRANSPORT SHOULD QUALIFY AS COMBINED TRANSPORT (to enjoy the benefits offered to Combined Transport Operations)

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

UIRR Combined Transport Growth Index (1990-2017)





Transport challenges of our times









Intermodal: the easiest transhipment from road to rail







Combined Transport: the solution to the challenges







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Public consciousness: on the increase – leads to impetus for internalisation

- CO2 emissions
- Local air pollution (NOx, O₃, PM10)
- Oil dependency
- Noise
- Congestion
- Accidents
- Bio-diversity
- Land use



Public consciousness: the time to act is here – as agreed to by the OECD transport ministers on 1 June 2017

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Performance of rail freight: gradual improvements

The Freight CEO Task Force oversees the 10 priorities of the Sector Statement

- Priority 1: Following the Timetable Redesign project (TTR)
- Priority 2: New concepts for capacity offer on RFCs
- Priority 3: Improving Coordination on Temporary Capacity Restrictions (TCRs)
- Priority 4: Enhancing the use of Path Coordination System (PCS)
- Priority 5: Improving harmonisation of processes at borders
- Priority 6: Train tracking and Expected Time of Arrival (ETA)
- Priority 7: Prioritisation, funding instruments, monitoring of TEN-T parameters
- Priority 8: Facilitating concrete ERTMS Implementation
- Priority 9: Monitoring quality of freight services with implemented/shared KPIs
- Priority 10: Harmonisation of Corridor Information Document (CID)



European Commission actions

- Fourth Railway Package: legislation
- European Union Agency for Railways: implementation
- Rail Freight Corridors: legislation + implementation
- Single European Railway Area meetings: coordination/implementation
- TEN-T and CEF Transport: infrastructure development
- 919 Shift2Rail / Horizon 2020: research & development



Fair, mode-neutral regulatory framework





<u>"Subsidies" to rail freight</u>: (i) Track access charges:

- based on distance travelled on the entire network

(ii) Internalised externalities:

- renewable energy surcharge
- infrastructure scarcity surcharge
- railway noise



<u>Subsidies to trucks</u>: (i) Inadequate road tolls

- No tolling: 6 Member States
- Time-based: 12 Member States
- Distance-based: 10 Member States
- charging a limited network only.

(ii) Non-internalised externalities

- air- and noise-pollution, accidents, congestion, land-rent, oil-dependency Limited internalisation of CO₂ emissions and climate-change

Two principles should be upheld:

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- user-pays
- polluter-pays

The Mobility Packages address the regulatory framework of road haulage:

- Access to the profession/Access to the Market
- Eurovignette
- Posting of Workers
- Enforcement: digital tachograph
- Working and Resting time rules

Still missing:

 Revision of the energy taxation directive (96/2003)

Temporary compensatory measures needed to level the playing field for Combined Transport

New CT Directive: the sector awaits it since 2012...



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present EU election COM to COM concludes REFIT - COM decides to with intent to amend unveil EP and transform CT report into proposed Council to June 2015 text for impact assessment for take final IJIRR non-**UIRR** potential amendment revision vote and COM papers to paper on Dec 2017 new argue for amendment 92/106 directive REFIT the need to (after advice COM engages - СОМ UIRR - last COM report becomes law of OPS IG launched lamend issued on the consultants to stakeholder position Apr 2019 and TER IG) H1.2015 92/106 development of CT draft status workshop on paper on July-Sept Dec 2016 report of EUCT possible COM draft 2002 amendment 2015 sector Jan 2018 May 2015 May 2017 May 2018 May 2016 1998 2005 **UIRR** General UIRR - UIRR "UIRR CT Public **UIRR** General **UIRR** General - aborted - update to complaint for Assembly Assembly Assembly General mirror EU Roadmap consultation attempt to consults with amend (AT expansion missing COM 2050″: calls tells COM its tells V Bulc Assembly response of amendment COM on *initiative)* (no content biannual UIRR requirements to consult for EP needed revision reports on CT amendment contents of rapporteur of Dir. 92/106 upcoming Dec 2014 and Council amendment UIRR position paper on Presidency need to amend 92/106 UIRR member Sept 2014 survey on **UIRR** position Directive 92/106 paper on EU transport policy

expectations

...the end is getting close

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Scope

combined transport extended to domestic operations + improved definition will cover 70% of intermodal movements

Enforcement

modernised to **reduce disturbance** to transport flows and make **cheaper to fulfill**

Directive 92/106

State aid

to assist **terminal development** and to **temporarily compensate** regulatory disparities

Reporting and monitoring

to **better inform** policy-makers and the stakeholders of intermodal transport

Major issues of the Directive 92/106



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- **1. SCOPE**: domestic cross-border (intra-EU) coming from/going to points outside the EU
 - Legal equivalence of international road haulage and international CT operation
 - What if a road leg is in one Member State, while the transhipment is in another?
- 2. **DEFINITION**: how long can the road legs be (for intermodal to qualify as CT)?
- **3. ENFORCEMENT**: modernizing and streamlining the roadside check
- **4. STATE AID**: Why does Combined Transport need this in the first place?
 - Support investment in transhipment terminals
 - Other temporary compensatory measures
 - 44-tonne weight allowance for semi-trailers used in Combined Transport
- 5. MONITORING AND REPORTING: What variables and how often?
- <u>PRINCIPLES TO UPHOLD</u>: during the amendment
 - (i) extend CT Operation support to 70% of intermodal from the current 43%
 - (ii) reduce bureaucratic burden and operational disturbance enforcement
 - (iii) introduce new and more efficient forms of state aid

(iv) increase transparency and link to overriding transport policy aims to CT development Wintertagung – Leibniz | 24 January 2019

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European Commission

Proposed amendment unveiled in November 2017



European Parliament position was adopted in July 2018



EU funding of transport infrastructure and research

- **1**. CEF blending call
- 2. CEF transport call 2018: specific objective to support the development of terminal infrastructure
- 3. HORIZON 2020: at least 90 MEUR for multimodal
- 4. MFF 2021-2027, CEF 2021-2027: negotiations with a focus on sustainable transport
- 5. TYPES OF SUPPORT MEASURES (number of Member States):
 - Exemption from road tolls (1)
 - Reduction of Track access charges for Rail (2)
 - Investment grants (4)
 - Exemption from driving bans (6)
 - Operational support (8)
 - Road tax reductions (14)

Enhancement of intermodal transport



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Revision of standards: ILU-Code (identification and codification) and intermodal loading units





Revision of leaflets relevant to CT: ongoing since 3 years

Intermodal Task Force report: intermodal-relevant changes to TSIs



Externally funded development projects



Best Practice Guidelines: sector players' initiatives

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

