



Operationalization of Euro-Asian Transport Links

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Mandate: WP.5 to continue its work on the operationalization of Euro-Asian Transport Corridors and other transport corridors

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SC.2 involvement through AGC and its work on rail transport

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What do we know? (source EATL phase III project)

Links need to:

- be competitive
- meet the requirements of modern supply chains

Physical and non-physical gaps are obstacles to meeting the objectives



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Requested follow-up

Provide **ideas** on how to enhance operationalization of Euro-Asian Transport links

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Forum on Sustainable Transport Connectivity between Europe and Asia in the framework of WP.24



Exchanges at the forum:

United Nations transport legal instruments offer the necessary basis for countries to improve sustainable transport connectivity; this requires accession to and implementation of these instruments

Infrastructure bottlenecks exist among others in the context of infrastructure failure due to extraordinary conditions and need to be addressed by infrastructure adaptation to changing conditions and/or construction of alternative paths

Digitalization of transport documents, innovation in railways and increasing railway competitiveness vis-à-vis other transport modes remain top challenges

Unified Railway Law can be instrumental in improving rail competitiveness, laws such as on contract for carriage of goods by rail between Europe and Asia or seamless crossing of borders by rolling stock were referred to



Thank you for your attention

