

FERRMED CONFERENCE

Brussels, Thursday 10th of November, 2016 (09:00-18:30)

TRANS-EURASIAN RAILWAY CONNECTIONS AND MULTIMODAL LINKS IN EU AND NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

“Evaluating the socio-economic challenges and opportunities of the Eurasian intercontinental growth vector. Actions to be taken considering the “One Belt, One Road” initiative”

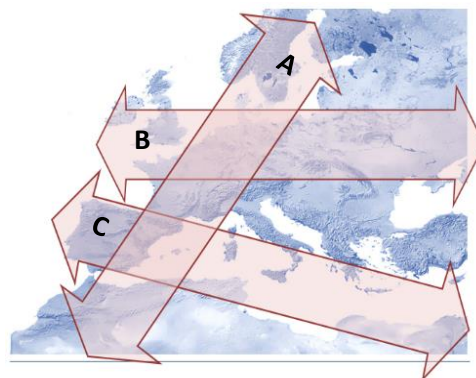
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OVERVIEW

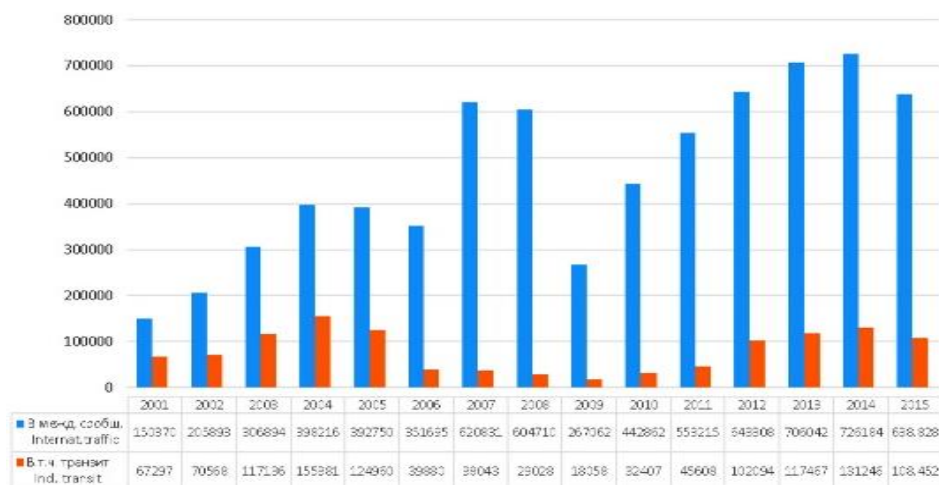
As it was stated at the FERRMED Conference on November 2015 and the subsequent Declaration, the EU and neighbouring countries are moving towards a new socio-economic model following the three emerging global growth vectors:

- A) European Union Locomotive Regions (EULER) Vector
- B) Eurasian Vector
- C) Far East/South Asia – Mediterranean Vector

The focus of this Conference will be the socio-economic development of the Eurasian Vector, through the enhancement of the railway transportation system from China to Western Europe, including the appropriate multimodal links. Recommendations regarding most suitable EU corridors to be adapted to Trans-Siberian requirements and Eurasian flows competitiveness will be presented.



Global growth vectors



Eurasian land bridge traffic is growing steadily. In the last sixteen years the volume has moved from 71.505 to 638.828 TEUS. Most of these movements are made by railway.

Trans-Siberian rail links penetrate to Western Europe through the following Trans-Eurasian corridors (from North to South):

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- Northern Axis
- Scandinavian – Mediterranean
- North Sea – Baltic
- Rhine – Danube
- Mediterranean

Top world experts will provide an in-depth analysis of the socio-economic impact of Asia-Europe trade on the land transportation network and future trends in the Asia – Europe transportation land bridge versus the Deep Sea Route, covering aspects such as different commodities, evolution of fuel costs, improvement of haulage modes and environmental constraints.



Trans-Eurasian land bridge main railway lines

Furthermore, infrastructure and operational development of the Trans-European corridors related to Trans-Siberian traffics, including major intermodal terminals expansion, in the EU, as well as China – Europe railway routes, will be duly examined by stakeholders, administrations and railway operators.

Reaching the final destination in such a huge land transportation network requires adequate mode combinations, such as railway-road, railway-short sea shipping and railway-barge.



Trans-European Core Network. Source: European Commission

To that end, rolling motorways and short sea shipping at Eurasian level will be duly considered.

Last but not least, the challenges of the Eurasian rail network require common and enhanced standards for freight transportation, considering harmonization of procedures and unified railway law, long and heavy trains, enlarged loading gauges, rolling stock adaptation and open data regarding freight flows. Proposals from FERRMED and other key entities on this matter will be taken into consideration.

We kindly invite you to participate in this innovative and high-level conference.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAMME (tbc)

MAIN CONFERENCE TOPICS	
08:30 – 09:30	Attendees registration – Coffee and refreshments
09:30	<p>Welcome address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Barbara SCHRETTTER, Director of the Representation of the Free State of Bavaria to the EU <p>Opening Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Roman BRECELY, Minister of Transport, Construction and Regional Development of the Slovak Republic Mr. Herald RUIJTERS, Head of Unit B1 Trans-European Network of the European Commission MS. Ulrike LUNACEK, Vice-President of the European Parliament (tbc) Mr. Lirong ZHANG, Minister of the Chinese Mission to EU (tbc) Mr. Jean Pierre LOUBINOUX, Director General, UIC Mr. Santiago GARCIA-MILÀ, IAPH President Mr. Ralf-Charley SCHULTZE, UIRR President Mr. Josef DOPPELBAUER, Executive Director, ERA Mr. Joan AMORÓS, FERRMED President
11:00	<p>PRESENT AND FUTURE CONDITIONS</p> <p>Keynote speeches</p> <p>The socioeconomic impact of Asia – Europe trade on the land transportation network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jerzy KLENIEWSKI, Chairperson Inland Transport Committee, UNECE (tbc) Mr. Markus J. BEYRER, BUSINESS EUROPE (tbc) <p>China-Europe railway routes: Infrastructure and operational development considering the “One Belt, One Road” initiative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Gennady BESSONOV, CCTT Secretary General Chinese Company/Administration representative (tbc)

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11:40

Asia – Europe Transportation Land Bridge versus Deep Sea Route

Introducer and moderator

- Mr. John RICHARDSON, Former Head of the Task Force on Integrated Maritime Policy, EU Commission, FIPRA International

Panellists

Future trends in transporting different commodities

- Mr. Thierry VANESLANDER, Professor, Department of Transport and Regional Economic, University of Antwerp (tbc)

Future trends in fuel costs

- Mr. József MOLNAR, CEO MOL Group (tbc)

Future trends in the evolution of transportation modes

- Mega container vessels
Mr. Mark DIJK, Port of Rotterdam Representative

Longer freight trains

- Mr. Pierre IZARD, SNCF Representative (tbc)

Future trends in environmental constraints

- Mr. Daniel CALLEJA, Director-General for Environment in the European Commission (tbc)

Impact in trans Eurasian railway transportation

- Mr. Thomas SIEFER, Professor at the Technische Universität Braunschweig

12:40

Networking Lunch

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13:40

ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

Infrastructure and operational development of main Trans-Eurasian Railway Corridors in the EU (bottlenecks solving, links with neighbouring countries, hubs and intermodal terminals)

- Possibilities of adaptation to Trans-Sib traffic requirements in EU penetration corridors

Introducer and Moderator

- Mr. Michael CRAMER, MEP, President of the EP Committee on Transport and Tourism

Panellist

Northern Axis

- Mr. Nils ALM, Strategic Planner, Swedish Transport Administration, Northern Region

North Sea – Baltic

- ERFA Representative (tbc)

**Rhine - Danube
Mediterranean**

- Mr. Josep Maria ROVIRA / Ms. Ida CAPELLETTI

- Trans-Sib Mega Terminals in the five more important Mega-Regions in the continental EU. Location recommended conditions and characteristics

Introducer and Moderator

- Mr Joan AMORÓS, FERMED President

Panellist

Duisburg zone

- Duisport representative (tbc)

Rotterdam zone

- Am-Brus-Twerp Megaregion Representative (tbc)

Milan zone

- Mr Lanfranco SENN, Professor Bocconi University

Barcelona zone

- Santiago BASSOLS, Director General, Barcelona Centre Logístic Catalunya

Lyon zone

- Auvergne - Rhône-Alpes Region Representative (tbc)

Manheim zone

- Baden-Württemberg Lander/Region Representative (tbc)

Vienna zone

- OBB Representative (tbc)

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15:35	Coffee break
16:00	<p>Railway- Sea combination in Eurasia</p> <p>Introducer and moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. John RICHARDSON, Former Head of the Task Force on Integrated Maritime Policy, EU Commission, FIPRA International <p>Panellists</p> <p>Baltic Sea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Julian SKELNIK, Chairman Baltic Ports Organization (tbc) <p>Northern Sea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antwerp Port Representative (tbc) <p>Black Sea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Valeriu Nicola IONESCU, Director General of the Constanza Port (tbc) <p>Mediterranean Sea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Port of Barcelona Representative
16:45	<p>Services providers and Railway operators in Eurasian Routes</p> <p>Introducer and moderator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Gennady BESSONOV, CCTT Secretary General <p>Panellists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Bernd OTTMANN, CEO Interrail Mr. Hans-Georg WANER, Member of Management Bord “East” of the DB Cargo AG (tbc) Hupac International Logistics Representative Mr. Peter BASKAKOV, CEO, TransContainer (tbc) Russian Railways representative (tbc) Mr. Sheng GUANGZU, President, China Railway Corp. (tbc) Mr. Joachim ZIMMERMANN, CEO Bayernhafen GmbH & Co. KG (tbc) Mr. Maciej LIBISZEWSKI, President of the Management Board, PKP Cargo (tbc)

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17:50	Common and enhanced standards for Eurasian rail freight transportation Introducer and moderator <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Joan AMORÓS, FERRMED President Panellists <ul style="list-style-type: none">Harmonization of procedures/unified railway law<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ERA Representative (tbc)Long and heavy trains and enlarged loading gauges<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Armand TOUBOL, Vice-President New OperaRolling stock adaptation<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Armando CARRILLO, EURNEX General Secretary and Scientific Researcher Technische Universität BerlinRolling motorways<ul style="list-style-type: none">• VIIA RepresentativeOpen data/freight flows<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Jaume ESTEVE, CEO of WTRANSNET
18:30	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. John RICHARDSON, Former Head of the Task Force on Integrated Maritime Policy, EU Commission, FIPRA International
18:40	End of the Conference

LANGUAGES OF THE CONFERENCE

English, French and Spanish

Simultaneous translation will be available

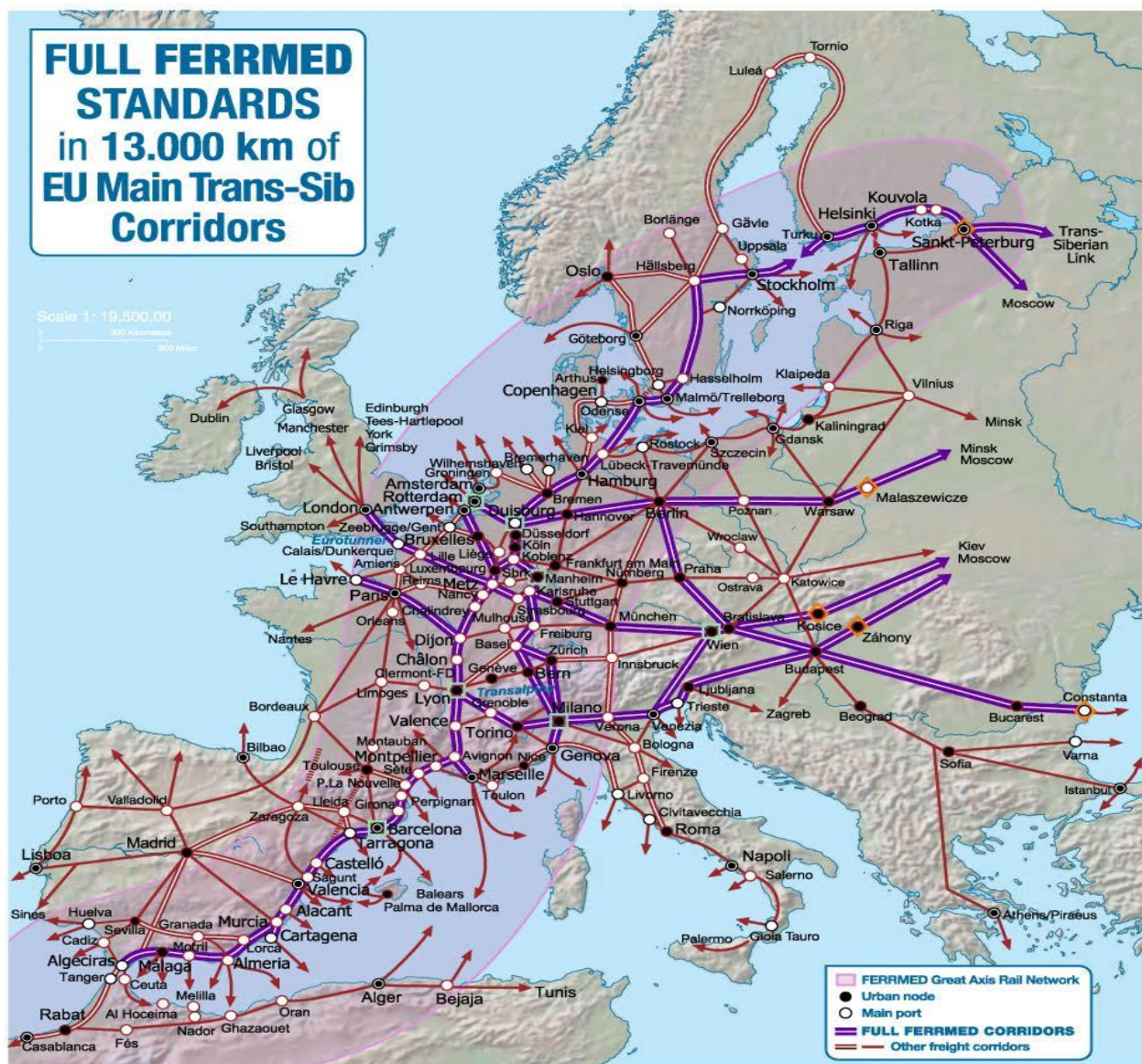
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□ Trans-Sib Strategic Mega-Terminal (First priority)
 ◇ Trans-Sib Transborder Terminal

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