



INTERNATIONAL UNION  
OF RAILWAYS

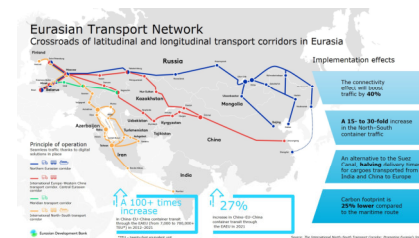
# The Corridor Handbook

▶ Proposal for the development of a  
Guide for Freight Corridors

May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

# Context

- Over the past years, **many initiatives** emerged around corridor development:
  - ✓ *TEN-T corridors in Europe*
  - ✓ *Eurasian Silk Northern, Middle and Southern corridors*
  - ✓ *Freight corridors initiatives from the Gulf Cooperation Council*
  - ✓ *First “sparks” of corridors in Africa and Latin-America*
- UIC has been **active on** this theme for several years: Publications, Webinars and Working Groups.
- FIATA and UIC agreed to collaborate on the **development of a Toolkit for the** development of freight corridors.
- Considering the recent disruptions in traditional trade routes, the logistics industry must adapt, be agile and flexible to ensure the **resilience** of the logistical supply chain.



## Corridor Handbook as 1<sup>st</sup> workstream

- The corridor **concept is now widely accepted** as a vector for economic and regional development
- **Europe and Eurasia have been successful** in developing the concept into an operationally working instrument
- **Other regions** and initiatives are looking for similar initiatives
- **UIC have been successful** in promoting the concept and rail as part of the backbone of a successful corridor

But

What about connecting / linking the different corridors ?

Therefore

UIC and its partner FIATA / IRU to develop the “Corridor Handbook”



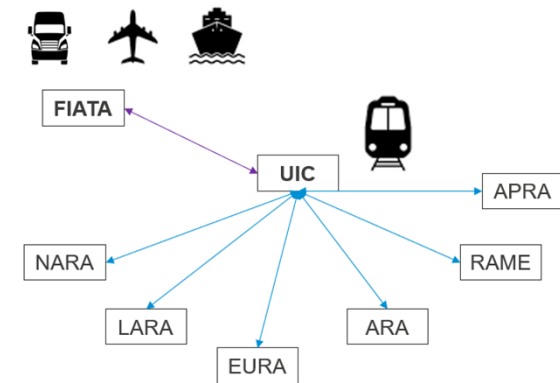
# The handbook provides reference material for policy makers and practitioners

- A sound review of current practices
- Recommendations for the stakeholders
  - Policy
  - Members
- Road to future development



# Even significantly relying on internal resources, the global corridors budget will have to be allocated to come to qualitative work

- With the target audience we are aiming at high quality material with large geographical scope
- Research, copy, translation, graphics & design, copy & print, dissemination activities, promotion will require a relevant budget
- It is a continuation of our earlier activities on Eurasian corridors (in 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022)
- External funding is required: € 200 K



# Market Place Seminar as 2<sup>nd</sup> workstream

- The seminar would focus on the impact of non-alignment of operational aspects and custom matters.
  - *Official premiere of the Corridor Development Handbook*
  - *Testimonials of field actors*
  - *Their challenges and view on opportunities*
  - *The view from policy makers*
  - *Presentation of solutions by different representative organisations*



## When

- Coincide with the development of the Corridor Development Handbook
- Aligned with previous MPS

External sponsoring/funding is required: € 20 K.



INTERNATIONAL UNION  
OF RAILWAYS

# Thank you for your attention

Stay in touch with UIC:    YouTube [#UICrail](#)



WATCH NOW

