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#### Inland Transport Committee

#### Working Party on Rail Transport

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##### Other business

### Selection of a theme for substantive discussion in 2019

#### Submitted by the secretariat

#### Choice of theme

1. Each year the Working Party addresses in its policy segment areas of importance to the rail sector. From discussions at previous sessions of the Working Party and discussions with stakeholders, the secretariat suggests the following list of possible themes:

- Facilitating international passenger rail transport
- Financing for railway investment
- Making rail freight more competitive
- Coordinated development of the rail network
- International coordination in recovering from emergencies that affect the railways.

2. The Working Party may wish to choose one, or a combination of these themes for the workshop in 2019. Delegates may also wish to suggest alternative topics.

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