United Nations
Economic and Social Council

Inland Transport Committee
Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics
51st session, Geneva, 19-20 March 2009
Foundation: 1993 in Brussels with 25 members
Mission:
- promote European intermodal transport in co-operation of all modes of transport
  - sustainable mobility
  - bridge between policy and industry
Today:
- nearly 100 members
  - global intermodal

Ferry Ahrlé, painted for EIA
What is our Message?

The only way Europe will be able to

- cope with the increase in the movement of cargo,
- lower the burden on the environment
- become more competitive

is to make better use of all the different modes of transport.

This sustainable cargo mobility will only be achieved with a combined approach for Road, Rail, Water and Air Transport.
Report  UNECE: Modern Transport Chains and Logistics (6-7 October 2008)

- Integration of production and distribution system
- Modern supply chain management systems and logistics; more rationally and intelligently
- Provision of adequate infrastructure, particularly port–hinterland connections
- Intermodal loading (transport) units
- Research, education and awareness
- Logistics indicators and statistics on intermodal transport
- Increasing importance of sustainability
“INTELLIGENT MEGASWAPBOXES FOR ADVANCED INTERMODAL FREIGHT TRANSPORT” (TELLIBOX)

Road-Rail-Waterborne
In MegaSwapBox

The EU-funded project “Intelligent MegaSwapBoxes for Advanced Intermodal Freight Transport” (Tellibox) was officially launched during a kick-off meeting in Brussels on 17 April 2008.
European Web Platforms and Training Concepts for Intermodal Inland Waterway TrAnsport (EWITA)

The EU-funded project “European Web Platforms and Training Concepts for Intermodal Inland Waterway TrAnsport” (EWITA) was officially launched during a kick-off meeting in Brussels on 9 July 2008 and is planned to last until May 2010.
Agencies for intermodal logistics services (Combi*Net)

*Combi*net is aiming at supporting the implementation of complex transport and logistics services, such as rail, shipping and intermodal. *Combi*net has particular value to commodity movements that involve several physical, organisational, and informational interfaces. It will improve service levels and increase the benefits to customers, i.e. the shippers. A *Combi*net platform will lower the threshold for SME’s as potential users of intermodal transport.
European Intermodal Reference center for Intermodal Freight Transport
(EURIFT; news partner EIA)

‘Intermodal news and data to get you ahead’: receive on weekly basis news on intermodal freight transport; news on transport and environment; events; intermodal freight transport and climate change opportunities...

EURIFT-country profiles: a series of country profiles about the old and new EU-member states are available. A map with the transport infrastructure is provided and political, societal and economic basic facts and basic information on the country’s transport system. Info: www.eurift.net
The Agenda

The Implementation Plan

EIRAC
European Intermodal Research Advisory Council

Catania, 14-06-2008
Klaus Ebeling
Figures for Germany

Rail Freight Growth

Market share rail freight transport in percent (share of total transport performance in tonne-kilometres. Based on following modes of transport: rail, road, internal waterway, pipelines)

« INTERMODAL AWARDS for best practices »

- Key examples for intermodal stakeholders to be used as Reference Point
- Intermodal Best Practices
- Innovative, Market-led and Concrete realisations as main judging conditions
Sir Nicholas Stern:
- Further pollution with greenhouse gas will cost 5.5 Trillion € = 20% of the total world’s economic output
- This is the gravest failure of market economy in history
- Necessary: -25% CO2 until 2050 in spite of +100% economic growth

Robert Solow (Noble Price Economy)
- 1% of world economic output would suffice for avoiding the worst (only +2-3 °C until the end of our century instead of forecasted +5 °C)
la crise, quelle crise?
more on:

www.eia-ngo.com
www.globalintermodal.org
www.intermodaltransport.com