Challenges of railway reform in Ukraine while Covid-19 pandemic

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Implementation of the EU legislation (according to the Association agreement between Ukraine and the European Union) and National Transport Strategy of Ukraine 2030 will contribute the development and efficiency of the Ukrainian railway. The main priorities are:

- Introduction a new model of the railway market similar to the European railways system
- Ensuring complex innovative development of transport
- Transparent, non-discriminatory and efficient tariff models for the use of railway infrastructure. Development of a balanced tariff policy based on modern European practices.
- Infrastructure modernization through PPP
- Involving investment funds, development of intermodal, multimodal transport services, transport logistics
- Creating a network of regular container / multimodal freight trains, synchronized with trains of EU Member States
- Setting up the network of multimodal transport and logistics clusters and core logistics centers, dry ports, terminals, specialized transshipment facilities, etc.
The new draft law «On Railway Transport of Ukraine» to directly incentivize the shift from road freight to lower emission transport modes – rail

1. Open market, equal access to railway infrastructure
2. Unbundling of railway monopoly
3. Defines specific government bodies responsible for: the state policy, security, control of equal access to infrastructure, tariffs, and their functions.
4. Formation of a new tariff policy in the field of railway transport

Liberalization of the rail market via implementation of EU acquis
Anti COVID-19 containment measures

- Appropriate plans for the eventual reintroduction of measures, if needed, should be established
- Partly lifting anti COVID-19 measures
- Safe mobility options - instead of general prohibitive measures. Intensified and regular cleaning, disinfection and appropriate ventilation of transport hubs and vehicles

- Dramatic reduction in passenger transport activity, freight - less affected
- Innovative digital solutions can help address efficiently the needs of various stakeholders
- Green and sustainable rail in the center of logistic chain

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Changes in the rail industry may deepen the crisis or contribute to the restoration of all economy.

Improving of the regulatory and legal framework.

Digital, paperless freight transport environment.

Innovation is the key to sustainable growth.

✓ Embedding technology and innovations.

Promoting modal shift from road to more sustainable transport modes for both passengers and freight, and facilitating the introduction of multimodal freight transport solutions.
Thank You!