



# Objectives of the Communication on a Rail Freight oriented Network

- ❖ Action Plan to a Rail Freight Oriented Network
  - ❖ Mid term: 2010-2015
  - ❖ Longer term: 2020-2025 ERTMS largely implemented
  - ❖ Dedicated Rail Freight Network?
- ❖ Integration with harbour and freight logistics policies



# Possible actions (proposed May 2006)

<b>Measures related to the railway system's operations</b>	
Measure B1	<b>Optimise priority rules in case of delays</b>
Measure B2	<b>Optimise path allocation process</b>
Measure B3	<b>Generalise bi-or multilateral operation centres</b>
Measure B4	<b>Simplify cross-border operations</b>
Measure B5	<b>Improve the circulation of information and data management</b>
Measure B6	<b>Optimise terminals' operations</b>
Measure B7	<b>Generalise quality clauses and financial compensations for non-compliance in the contracts signed between the stakeholders</b>
Measure B8	<b>Ensure coherent marginal cost pricing on the network</b>
Measure B9	<b>Ensure a management/monitoring of the operations on the network by the setting up of a "common corridor organisation"</b>
Measure B10	<b>Encourage the emergence of new business models</b>
<b>Measures related to the railway system's infrastructures and rolling stock</b>	
Measure B11	<b>Focus infrastructure and terminals works on priority sections and coordinate them at a corridor-level</b>
Measure B12	<b>Encourage implementation of interoperable systems and highly-efficient technologies</b>



# Corridor: Investments

- ❖ **Coordinated management corridor by corridor**
  - ❖ Investments
  - ❖ Structure for project needed: dedicated human resources
- ❖ **Inventory of ‘punctual’ investments to:**
  - ❖ Remove congestions
  - ❖ Cross-Border Operations
  - ❖ Increase capacities locally
  - ❖ How to finance?
  - ❖ Contribution of other countries of the corridor?
  - ❖ Marshalling yards and terminals





# Corridors: infrastructure

- ❖ **Increase of infrastructure parameters (at corridor level)**
  - ❖ Train length
  - ❖ Axle Load
  - ❖ Loading gauge
  - ❖ Speed
- ❖ **Coordinated operations**
  - ❖ Path allocation: at corridor level, with priority to corridor traffic against national traffic?
  - ❖ Which regulation? which one at corridor level (supranational)?



# General measures

- ❖ **Access to terminals, marshalling yards**
  - ❖ Open and non-discriminatory access for all
  - ❖ Clarify/reinforce the directives- Other measures?
- ❖ **Increase of speed and reduction of stops**
- ❖ **Interoperability**
  - ❖ Improvement of procedures (Cross-border, certification)
- ❖ **Performance Indicators and Monitoring**