

Terminal & Railway undertaking Advisory Groups meeting 27 April 2023, 10:00 to 12:30 CET

Online via Teams

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

RAILWAY UNDERTAKINGS	
MEDWAY	Carlos Rodrigues
DB Cargo Group	Dirk Oelschläger
Captrain	Hannes Ortlieb
Euro Cargo Rail SAS / DB CARGO	Christian Bernard
SNCF LOGISTICS	Gaëlle Vantalón-Korovitch
RENFE Mercancías	María Valdés
TERMINALS	
Nantes - Saint Nazaire Port	Philippe Léon
Extremadura Avante	Juan Manuel Cabo
Puerto de Bahía de Algeciras	Luis Nuñez Vera
Puerto de Zaragoza	Ramón Ade
Puerto de Huelva	Manuel Marquez
Puerto de Sevilla	Rodrigo García
Puerto de Sevilla	Elisa Oyonarte
Bordeaux Port	Maurice Noël
Bilbao Port	Andima Ormaetxe Bengoa
Railsider	Augustin Jimenez
APDL Porto Leixões	Amélia Castro
SPC - SAPEC	Lucas Teixeira
French transport ministry	Milena Kobler
MANAGEMENT BOARD	
IP	Patrícia Catarrinho
ADIF	Manuel Besteiro
SNCF Réseau	Claire Hamoniau
DB Netz	Christiane Warnecke
C-OSS	Félix Bartolomé
INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGERS	
ADIF	Maria Álvarez Cuadrado
ADIF	José Antonio Grau
ADIF	Irene Vaquero
ADIF	Santiago Urrutia
IP	José Pena

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. Introduction, by Managing director

Claire Hamoniau welcomed the participants.

2. Terminal advisory group presentation, by Luis Nuñez, TAG Speaker

See ppt presentation of the TAG speaker. Luis Nuñez is starting a regular format on characteristics and traffic development of the terminals on RFC Atlantic, to enter into discussions with the IMs. He is open for proposals/inputs from all terminals. Terminal operators are asked to share their data and give information.

In Extremadura, a new intermodal logistics hub is being developed. More information under the following link: https://apbaes-my.sharepoint.com/personal/lnunez_apba_es/_layouts/15/stream.aspx?id=%2Fpersonal%2Flnunez_apba_es%2FDocuments%2F20190319%20Extremadura_Avante_eng_PLSWE.mp4&ct=1683102123439&or=Teams-HL&ga=1

Agreed follow-up/to dos:

It was agreed to share the presented information with the Executive Board, where the assistant to the CNC coordinator is usually also present.

The RAG/TAG of RFC Atlantic would also be open to the participation of a CNC corridor representative in the meeting. In any way, the upcoming revision of the TEN-T regulation foresees a closer cooperation between CNC and RFC.

3. Railway undertaking advisory group presentation, by Gaëlle Vantalou, RAG Speaker

Gaëlle Vantalou comments that she did not receive any input from RUs prior to the meeting, so it seems that everything is going fine. She asks all RUs to provide input on their challenges to the RFC Atlantic, and to work with the RFC team as allies.

Christian Bernard comments on two topics which are at an early stage of discussion: PaPs for 2024 seem to have some conflicts with works, topic with driver language Spain-France.

María Valdés requests more information regarding track works at Irun terminal. She would like to clarify what will be the impact on rail freight and see how best to manage them. Manuel Besteiro comments that during the last weeks discussions have started at ADIF to coordinate the works in northern Spain with the stakeholders in Irun. Information to RUs is given nationally via the established processes and channels. RFC Atlantic is following the process to make sure that international coordination is taking place.

Agreed follow-up/to dos:

Félix Bartolomé will try to gather information on the works at Irun terminal to provide them to the RAG/TAG stakeholders.

Gaëlle Vantalon and Claire Hamoniau will check and update the invitation list for RU representatives in the RAG.

4. Management Board presentation, by Management team

See ppt presentation of the Management Board.

Additional points from the discussion:

In addition to information on PaP offer and allocation, Felix comments that ADIF, SNCF Réseau and DB Netz have coordinated capacity strategies in the framework of TTR and the IMs aim to publish capacity models for TT 2025 in June 2023. Although ADIF and IP are not among the TTR first wave IMs, they are working on the same implementation as the others.

Regarding the QCO Irun/Hendaye, Maria Valdez addresses that it is difficult to get international train numbers for trains across the border. Claire Hamoniau will clarify with SNCF R.

Several participants welcome the proposal for the change of the USS in 2023, as it can be difficult to understand the short comments. Information/request for participation in the new survey will be distributed in summer 2023.

RFC Atlantic is happy to welcome the RAG and TAG representatives in the booth of RFC Network/RNE at the transport logistic fair in Munich, 9-12 Mai.

Manuel Besteiro informs that the Spanish Transport Ministry is going to publish a rail gauge strategy, to show more clearly the future scenarios. Spain and Portugal are working together on this, planning has started in Portugal for first changing the gauge on the main lines with Spain.

SNCF-R is currently drafting new national implementation plan for ERTMS. Dirk Oelschläger asks, why ETCS is not yet planned on the French side of the border between Metz and Saarbrücken? As the cross-border stretches are crucial for reducing the cross-border barriers, Dirk Oelschläger proposes to come together for cross-border coordination of ETCS implementation. Further discussion based on available information is proposed in the next RAG/TAG meeting.

IP and ADIF are planning to start bilateral coordination of works during the next months.

Agreed follow-up/to dos:

Claire Hamoniau will clarify with SNCF-R if more international train numbers can be made available for the border crossing with Spain.

Further information/discussions on ERTMS in next RAG/TAG.

5. Conclusions, by Managing director

Claire Hamoniau thanked all for their participation and informed that the next TAG RAG meeting will take place mid-November, in Spain, together with RFC Med.