About UIC

The International Union of Railways (UIC) is the international professional association representing the rail sector. UIC currently counts 240 members across 5 continents. Its mandate is to promote the growth of rail transport across the world and to encourage and organise international cooperation between its members. UIC's technical Departments draw their lead from the strategies defined by the members of its specialist forums and platforms, and steer or coordinate a total of circa 200 projects in the field of international cooperation, covering all aspects of rail activities: rail system technology, passenger and freight transport, research, safety and security, sustainable development and the development of skills and expertise.

A significant share of UIC's work consists of strengthening the coherence of the rail system as a whole and its international interoperability, as well as boosting the competitiveness of both passenger and freight transport services. The aim is to enable rail transport to meet current challenges of mobility and sustainable development as effectively as possible.

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Key Facts and Figures

- 3,000 billion passenger kilometres
- 10,000 billion tonnes kilometres
- 1 million kilometres of lines
- 7 million railway staff
- Cooperation with over 100 international institutions
- 700 UIC Leaflets / International Railway Standards
- 85 congresses, conferences, workshops