

OTIF – A Partner in UIC’s Global Rail Freight Conference (GRFC) 2018

The [6th edition of UIC’s Global Rail Freight Conference \(GRFC\)](#) will be held in Genoa, Italy, from 26 to 28 June. The Conference is organised by the International Union of Railways (UIC) in close cooperation with Italian Railways (FS Italiane) and under the patronage of the Regione Liguria.

The Secretariat of OTIF is pleased to announce this event, in which it is a partner.

The flow of goods between Asia, Europe and the Middle East continues to grow and rail freight corridors are being developed in Africa. Actors in the rail freight, logistics and, more broadly, the transport sector are focusing on researching and developing effective and sustainable transport solutions. The theme of this 6th edition will therefore be “modal integration at the service of global distribution”.

Global distribution requires the different modes of transport to be networked. The intensive use of secured, shared data is the key to this development.

On 28 June 2018, Mr François Davenne, the Secretary General of OTIF, will give a talk during session 7, “Integrity of the logistic chain”, alongside the deputy Secretary General of the



Coordinating Council on Transsiberian Transportation (CCTT), Ms Natalia Stepanova, among others.

For 125 years, COTIF has provided uniform rules for the international transport of goods, always with an intermodal focus. The Secretariat of OTIF is underpinning this logic by strongly supporting the UIC’s 6th Global Rail Freight Conference. role and purpose in international rail transport.

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