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In support of harmonising rail transport law

The Secretary General of OTIF, Mr Küpper, was invited to take part in the Ministers' Conference of the Organisation for Cooperation between Railways (OSJD) on 6 June 2019 in Tashkent.

The XLVII session of OSJD's Ministers' Conference was held from 4 to 7 June 2019 in Uzbekistan. OTIF was invited as an observer to the plenary session on 6 and 7 June.

In his speech, Mr Küpper presented the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) and emphasised the importance of an effective, optimal legal framework for the railways and international transport.

The OTIF and OSJD regulations on the transport of dangerous goods (RID and SMGS Annex 2) have already been successfully harmonised. Based on this positive outcome, Mr Küpper said he would like to see closer cooperation with OSJD in order to move towards further harmonisation of international rail transport law.

The Secretary General of OTIF would like to thank the Chairman of the OSJD Committee, Mr Szozda, for inviting him to take part in the Conference.

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