Electronic rail transport documents and negotiable rail transport documents: the CIM Uniform Rules in question

The Secretariat of OTIF is launching two consultations: one on the rules concerning electronic rail transport documents and the other on the rules concerning negotiable transport documents in rail transport.

The aim of the first survey is to gather information on the national law applicable to electronic rail transport documents and their use in national and international rail traffic.

With regard to negotiable rail transport documents, the aim is also to gather information on the applicable national law, as well as to gather views on whether it is necessary to introduce the possibility of using these documents for the transport of goods under the CIM Uniform Rules.

Who can respond to the consultations? Members of OTIF and all stakeholders concerned by the CIM Uniform Rules are invited to take part.

The responses received will be analysed and summarised in a report. Respondents may request that their responses remain anonymous, in which case only the category of entities from which they come will appear in the report.

The consultations are open until 6 July 2022.

Your responses are important.

Questionnaire on electronic rail transport documents. Click HERE

Questionnaire on negotiable rail transport documents. Click HERE

For more information, see:

Circular LAW 22039 JUR

Document on the digitalisation of international transport, particularly freight transport documents, Preliminary inception paper

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Inception paper on bill of lading (extract).