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Two "OTIF-COTIF" workshops south of the Mediterranean

In connection with the Euromed project – Transport Project, with the support of the European Commission's Directorate-General "European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations" (DG NEAR), the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail is jointly organising two "workshop awareness days" entitled "OTIF-COTIF – Presentation of unified railway law", with the participation of the International Rail Transport Committee (CIT).

On 27 October 2016 in Cairo, the Ministry of Transport of the Arab Republic of Egypt will welcome speakers from OTIF and the CIT for a day of presentations and discussions. The Secretary General, Mr François Davenne, will give a presentation on OTIF and the added value of the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF). The Secretary General of the CIT, Mr Cesare Brand, will give a presentation on CIT and its advantages. OTIF's heads of department will speak about the Appendices to COTIF and the principal rules they contain.

On 2 November in Jerusalem, the Ministry of Transport of the State of Israel will host speakers from OTIF and the CIT, who will give presentations on the advantages of applying COTIF and its Appendices and the advantages of acceding to OTIF and joining the CIT.

More than 80 participants are expected to attend.

For the Secretariat of OTIF, these two workshops will provide an opportunity to extend COTIF and to promote OTIF as a framework that is indispensable for the development of unified railway law.

Programme – Cairo – 27 October 2016 Programme – Jerusalem – 2 November 2016