Sustainable port hinterland connections depend on multimodal concepts

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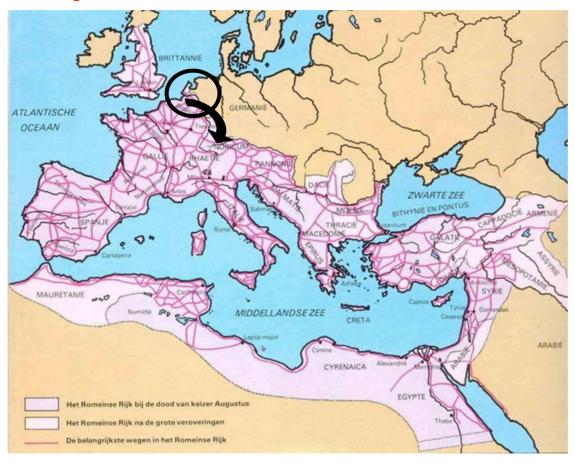
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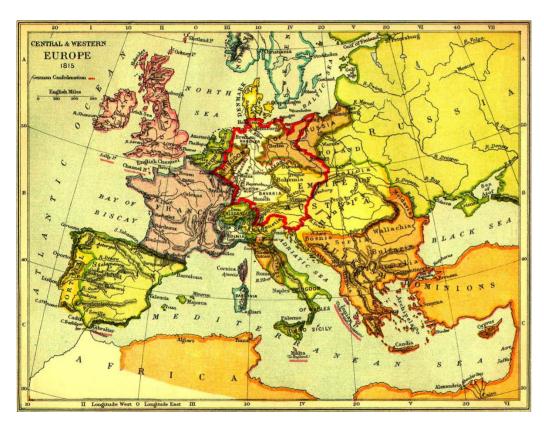
0: Tradition starts with the Roman empire





1815: Vienna Congres

(1868: Mannheim Act)

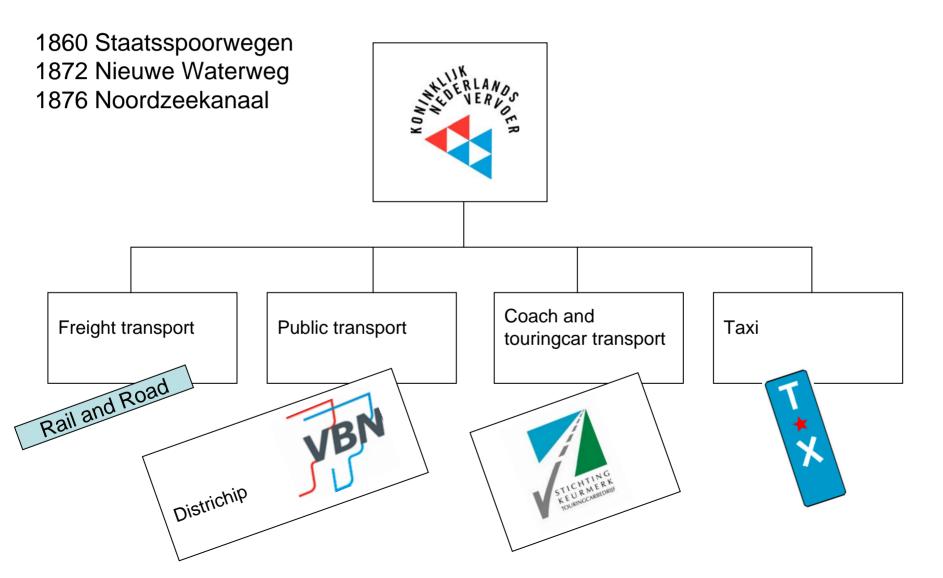




- Since 1815 free transport of goods is on the political agenda as essential condition for peace and stable economic development.
- Mannheim Act defines already the principles of the EU Maastricht Treaty for free transport of goods and common market

1881: Koninklijk Nederlands Vervoer

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Transport sector and government agree on package of *green* measures.



- Target is 30% decrease in CO2 emission by 2020 (back to level of 1990), but with doubling of freight volume between 1990 and 2020.
- All transport modes search for measures within their specific working area, but largest potential is in modal shift.
- Road, rail and barge transport are actively searching for potential measures, but maritime and air transport partners depend on worldwide measures.

Road user charging for all (motorised) road users



- Introduction of road user charging for all motorised vehicles between 2012 and 2016.
- Variabilisation of tariffs for peak hour traffic and environmental parameters of vehicles
- Based on satellite tracking and multiple provider scheme (the challenge: how to track 7 million vehicles and collect the revenues?)

KNV:

'Road user charging leads to more economical use of road infrastructure.

Expansion of Port of Rotterdam – Maasvlakte II



For building permissions:

- modal shift policy on hinterland connections
- environmental zone with restrictions on emission of pollutants from traffic

Hinterland transport for containers:

	2005	2033
road	47%	35%
rail	13%	20%
barge	40%	45%





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Conclusion 1:



 Transport competes for a share of CO2 emission rights. We can no longer afford to think in terms of competition between transport modes.

Conclusion 2:



• The world needs a new international multimodal transport association (which is not organised on the basis of technical characteristics/ transport modes)

Conclusion 3:



- For the customer to choose the most economical mix of transport modes, prices for all transport modes must reflect internal and external costs.
- The EC proposals for Eurovignet III should be based on a strategy aimed at optimal engagement of all transport modes, but are hyjacked by lobby groups trying to influence intermodal competition.

KNV supports internalisation of external costs, provided this is done for **all** forms of transport including **private automobiles**.

Thank you for your attention.



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