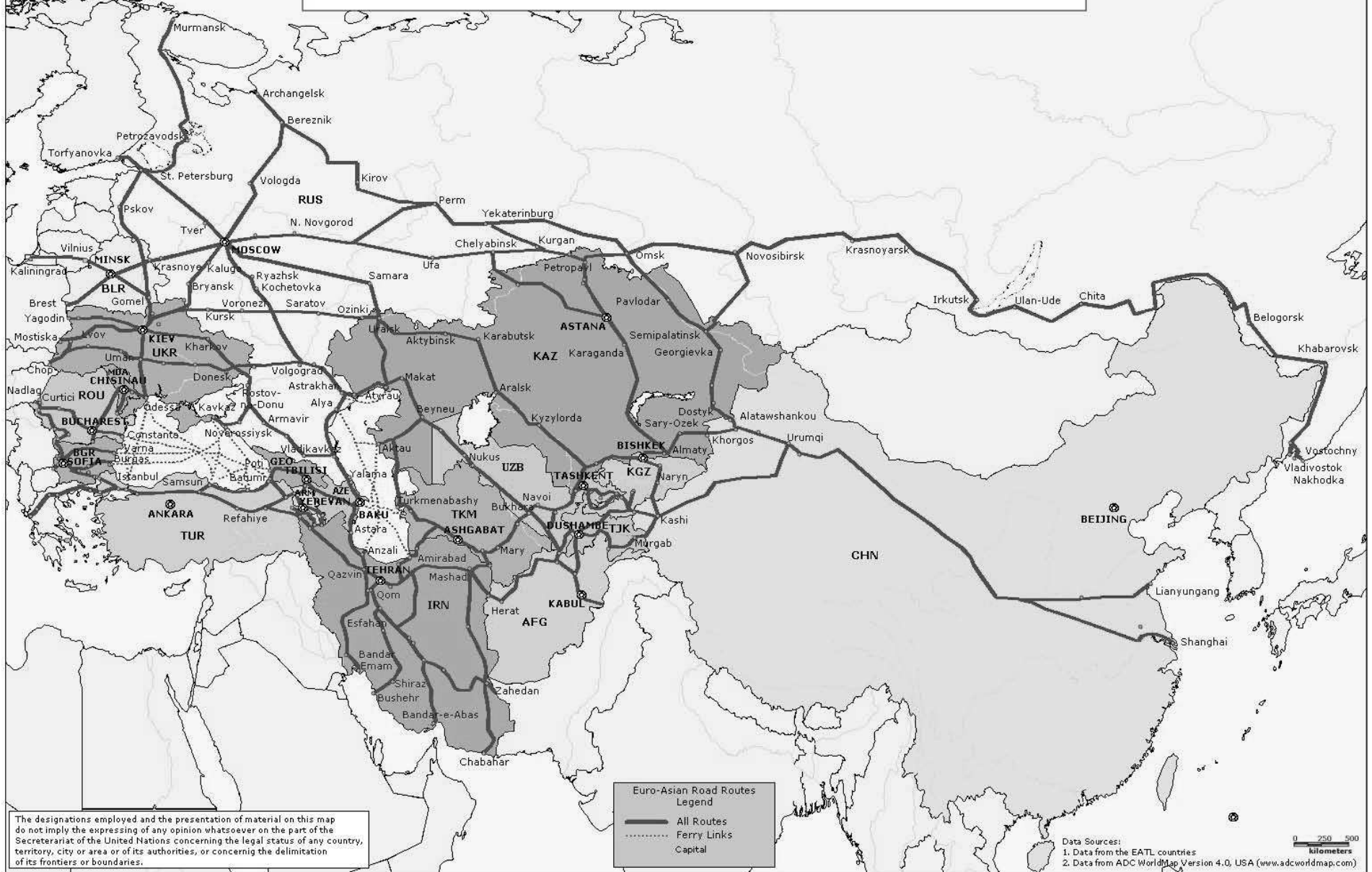


New opportunities for cargo logistics in Baltic region

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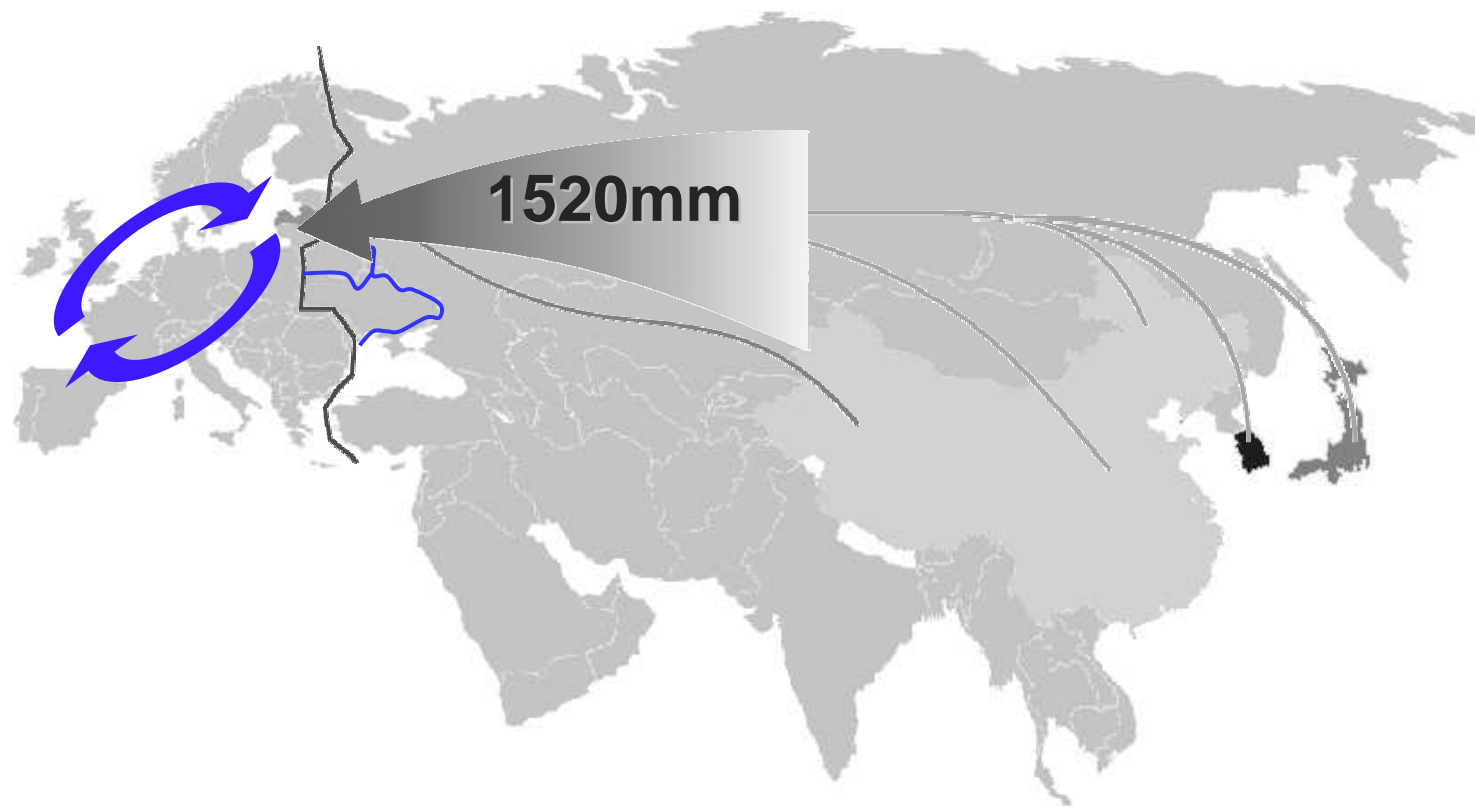


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Latvia as a natural bridge in EuroAsia traffic



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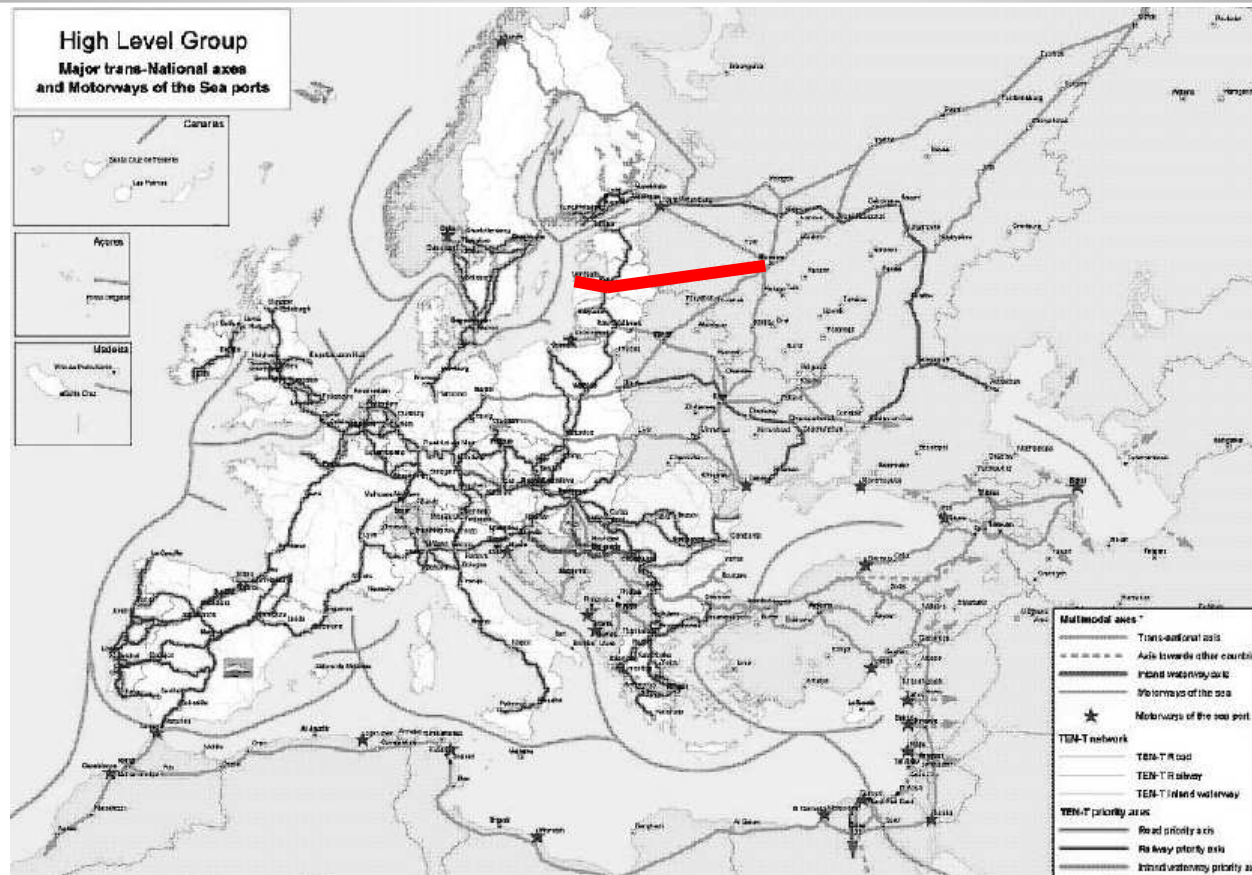
single infrastructure
single rolling stock
unified information exchange system
single documentation

thus there is no need:

to spend time at bordercrossings
to change wheels
to change the documentation
to make customs clearance on the border



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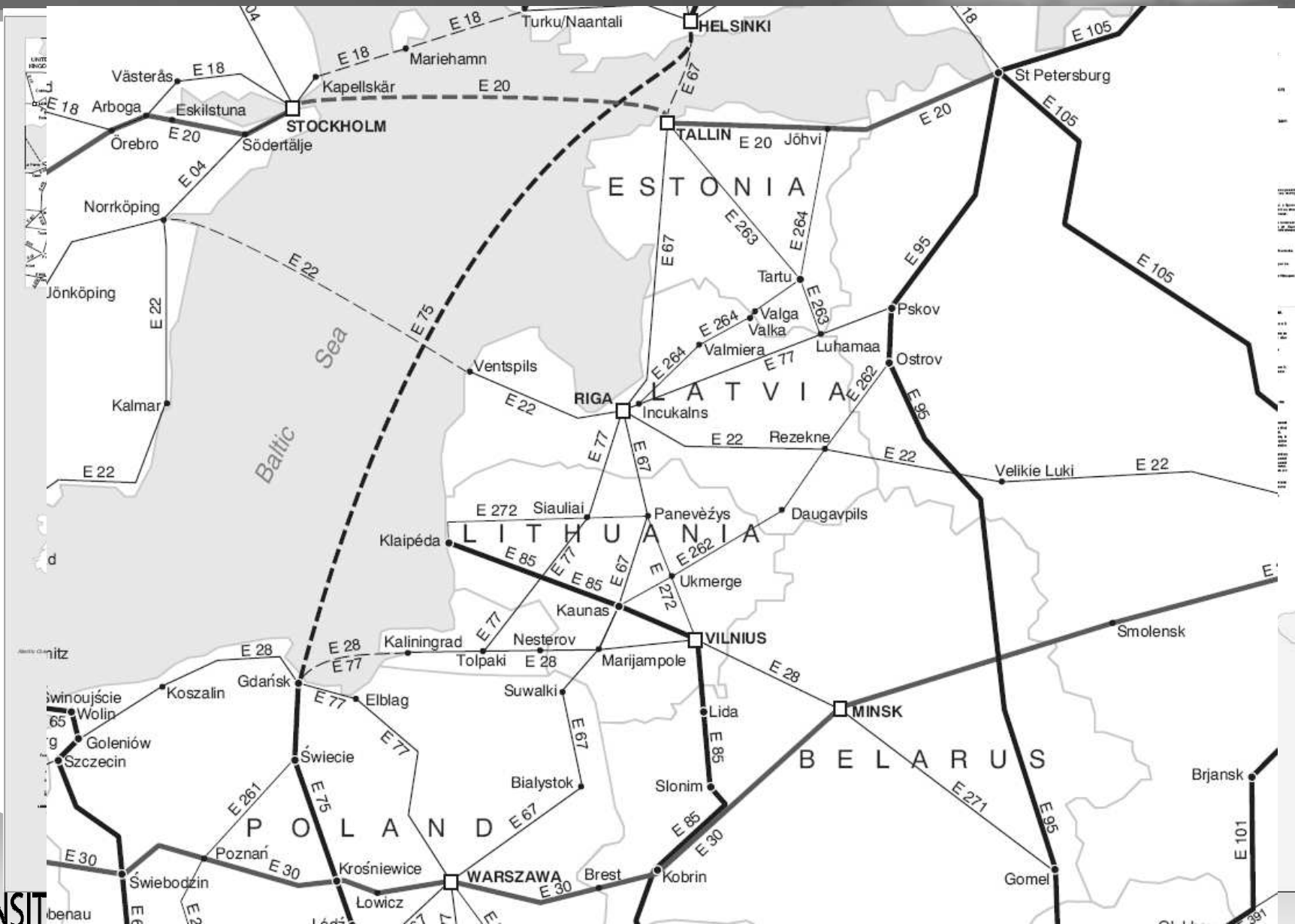


Transport policy document “Networks for peace and development. Extension of the major trans-European transport axes to the neighbouring countries and regions” accent significant role of Latvia as a gateway between EU and Russia (and further Far East and Asia) – the only direct channel from and to Russia lies via Latvia!

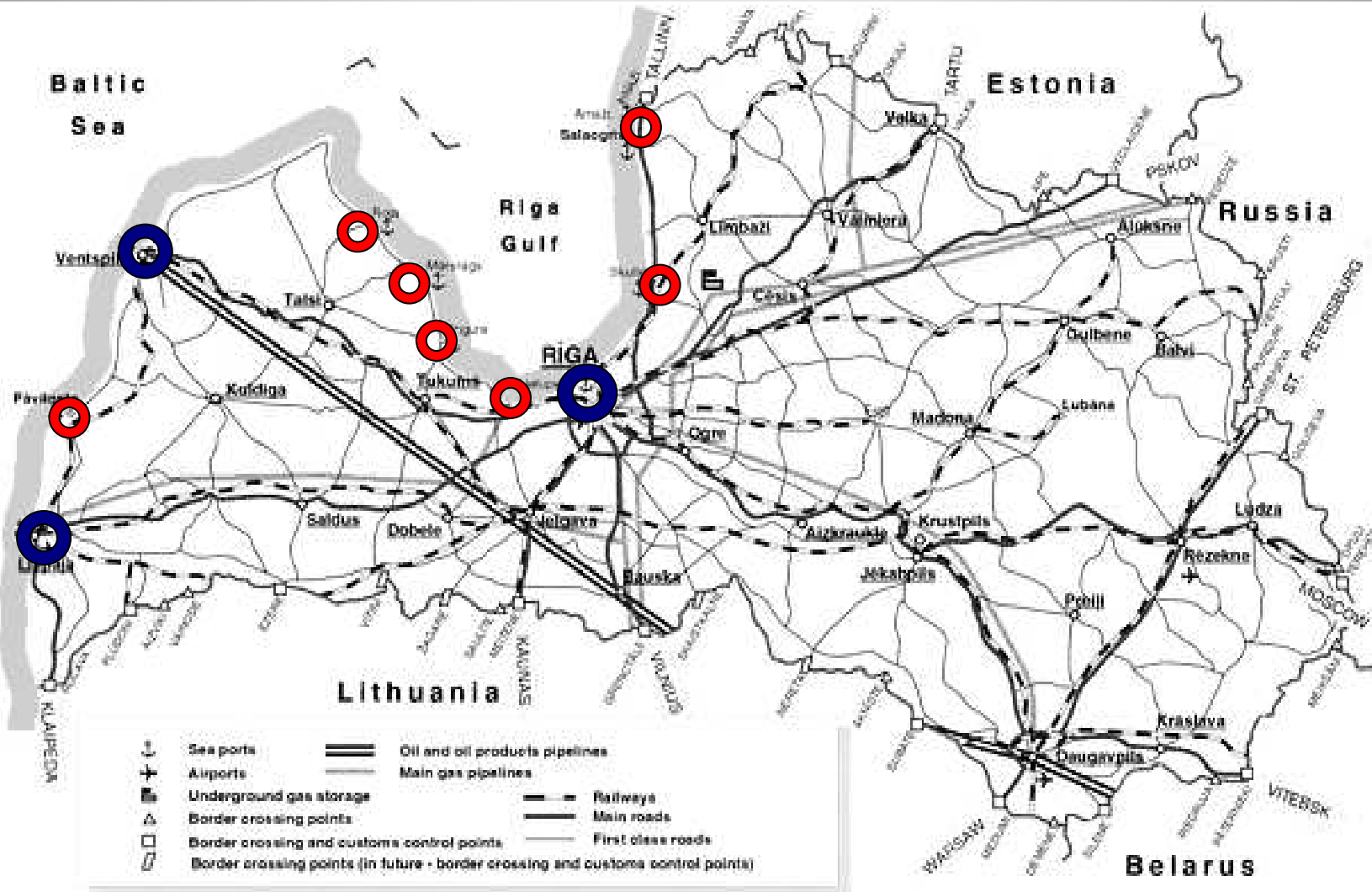
Main railway corridors for Euro – Asia connections (OSJD)



AGR lines



Transport system of Latvia

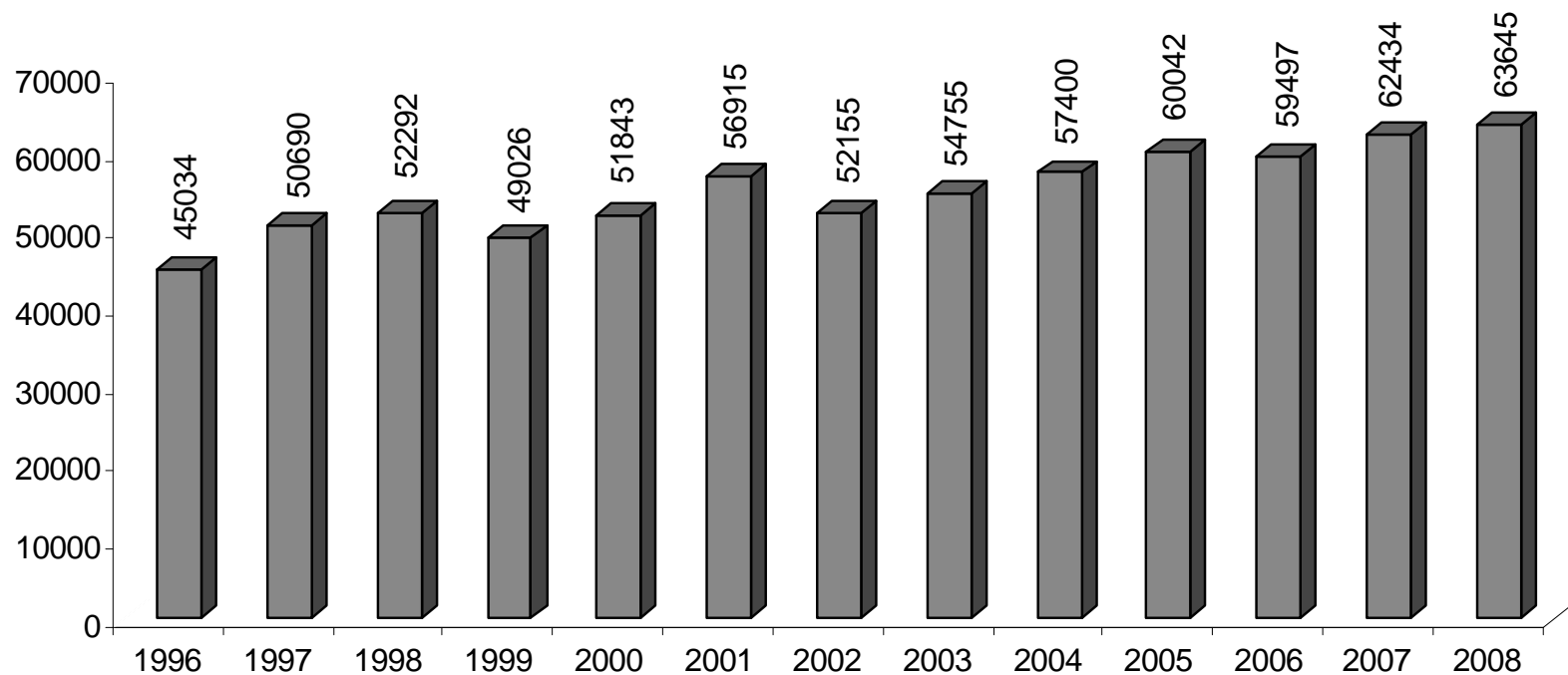


General plan of location of the principal transport infrastructure elements.

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Cargo turnover in the ports of Latvia

Cargo turnover in Latvian ports 1996-2008 thousand of tons



Freeport of Riga

Total territory of the port 6 348 ha

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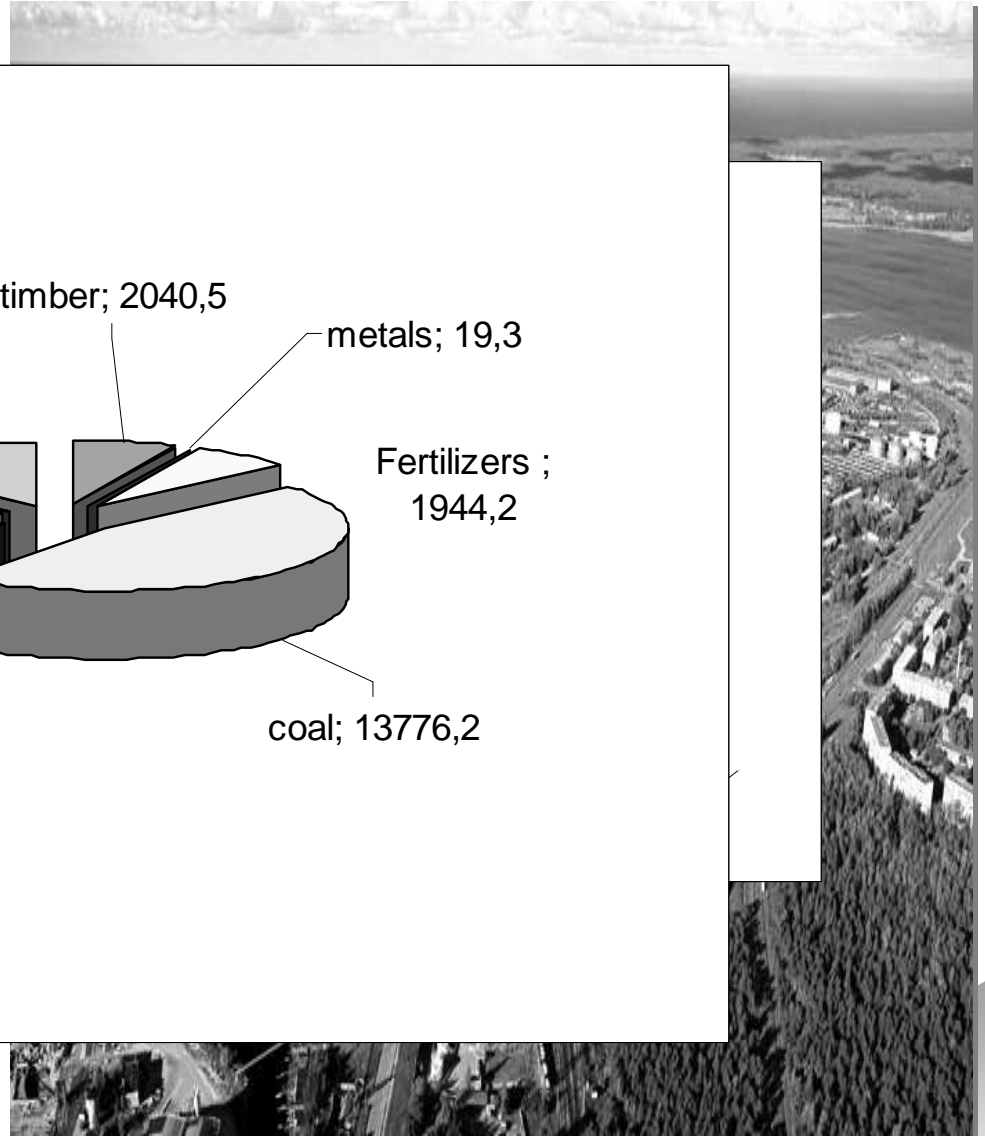
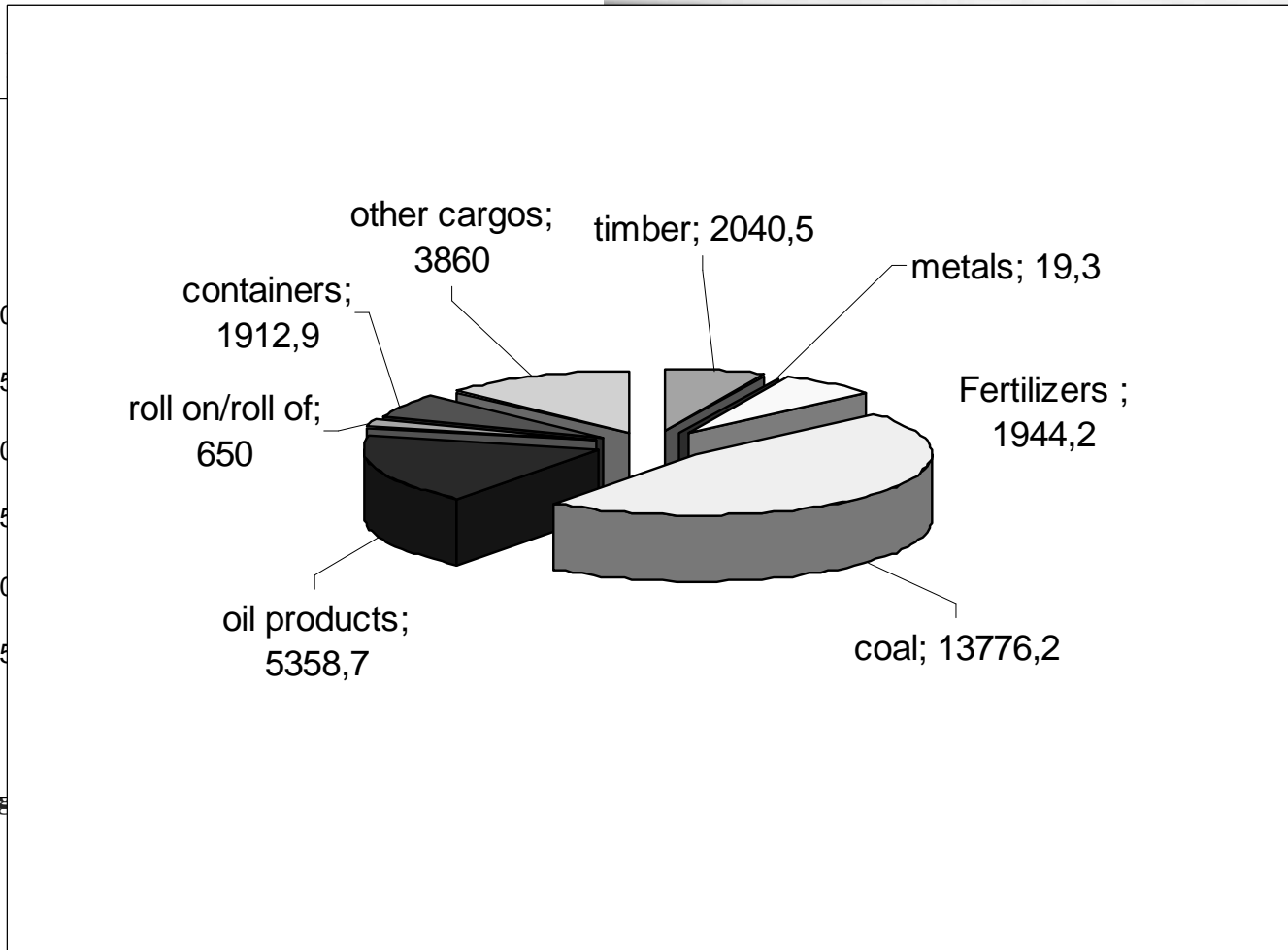
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Freeport of Riga

Feeder lines:

- **MSC Line**
(Antwerp – Riga–Kotka-Helsinki - Tallinn)
- **Maersk Sealand**
(Bremerhaven – Riga –Kotka – Rauma-
Bremerhaven)
- **French Baltic Line (CMA-CGM)**
(Riga – Hamburg - Klaipeda)
- **Unifeeder Container Service**
(Bremerhaven – Hamburg - Riga - Klaipeda)
- **Team Lines**
(Hamburg - Bremerhaven - Riga - Klaipeda)
- **Containerships**
(Rotterdam-Teesport –Klaipeda -Riga)
- **Inter Marine Container Lines**
(Hamburg- Gdyn-Gdansk– Riga)

Ferry lines:

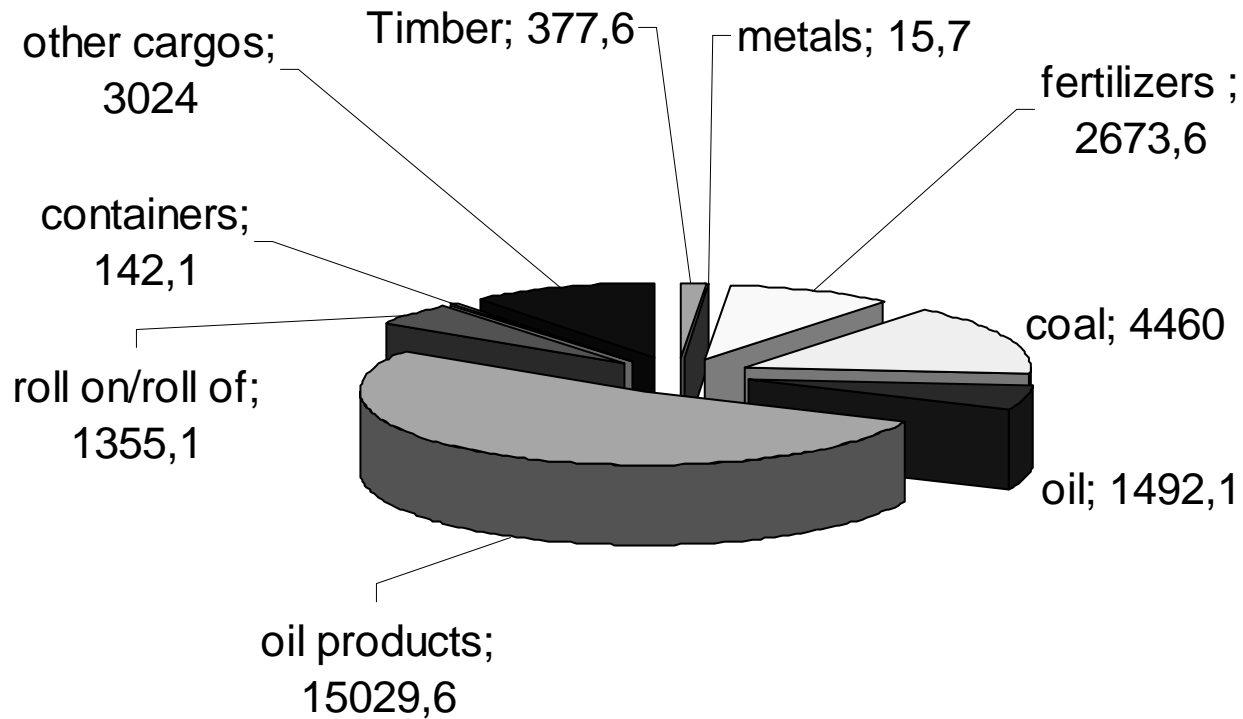
- **Tallink** (Riga – Stockholm)
- **DFDS Tor Line** (Riga – Libeck)



Freeport of Ventspils

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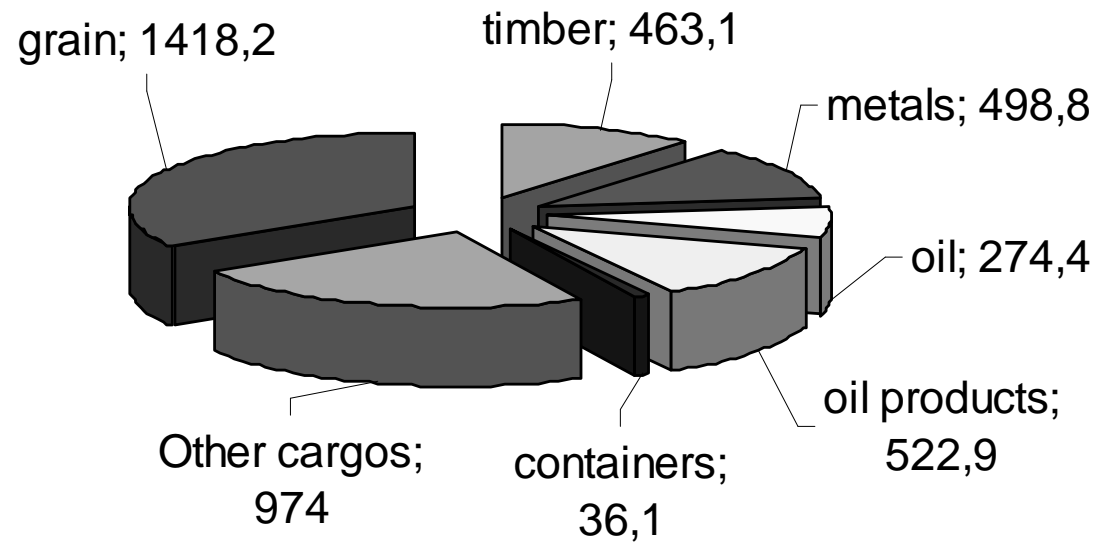
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Port of Liepaja

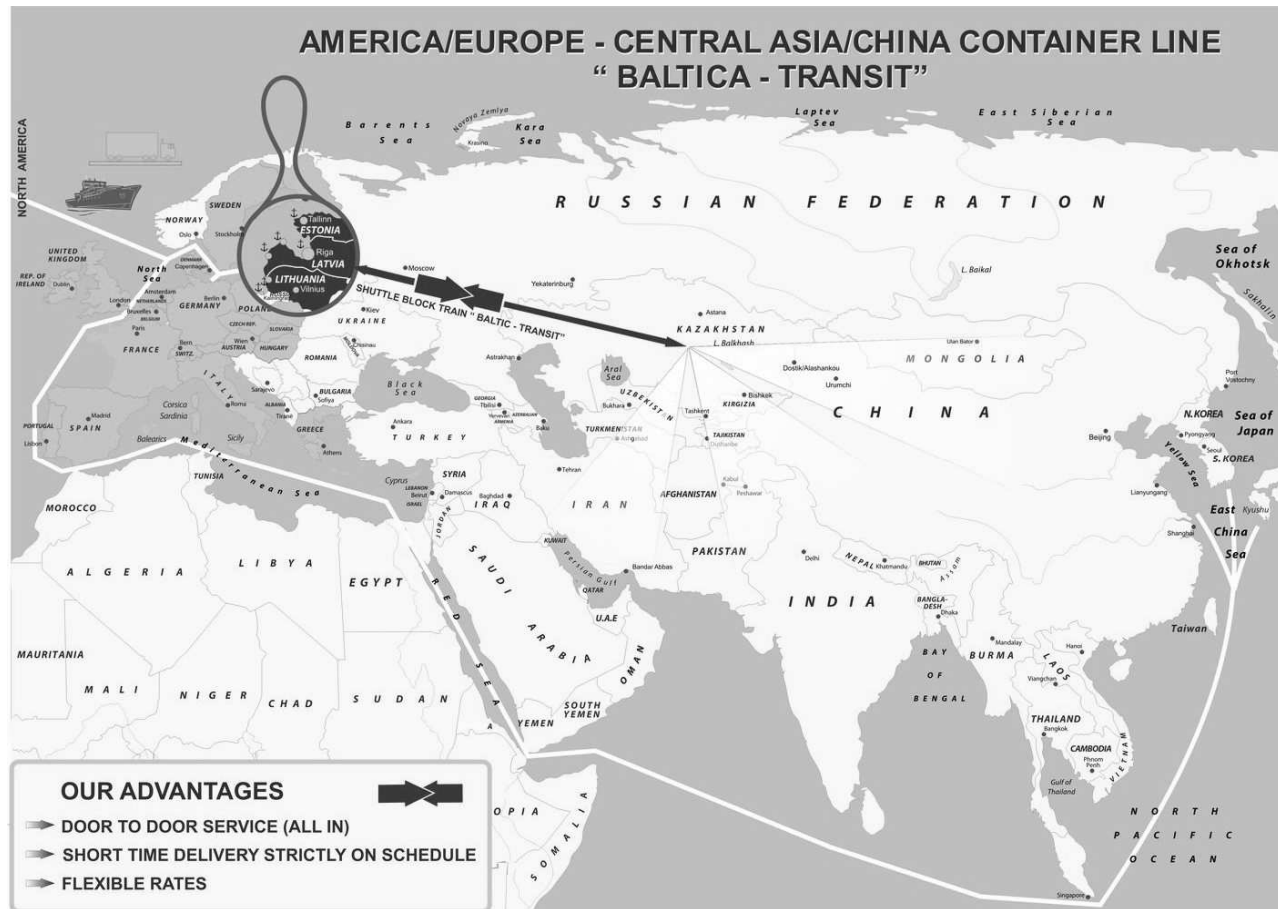
The port provides for covered and closed storage of all kinds of

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Block Train: Baltica - Transit

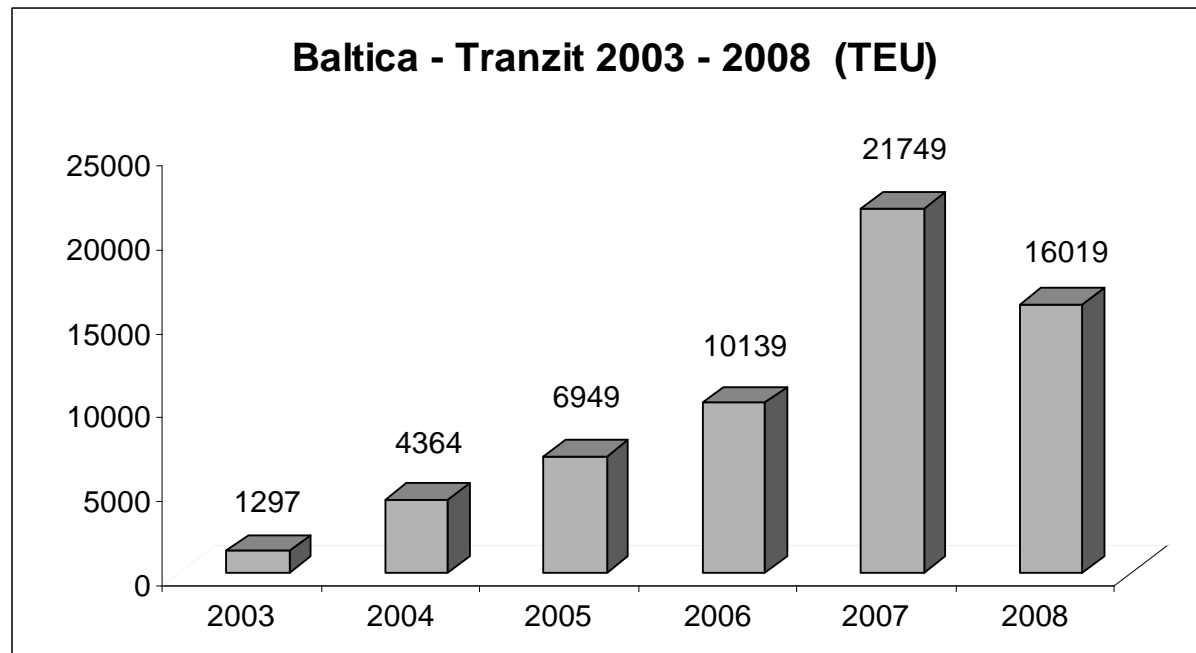
Regular container train bring containers double weekly between Baltic ports and Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kirgizstan, Turkmenistan)



Next step is to prolong this line and to connect it with China.
Both governments and private operators of Latvia, China
and Kazakhstan are working on the development of this route.

Block Train: Baltica - Transit

- **Strict timetable, including scheduled border crossing**
- **Optimized delivery time (8-10 days; 3-5 trains per week)**
- **IT systems common for all project participants (real time freight tracking)**
- ***Door-to-door service***





Test train has been launched (96 TEU)

25.04.2008. (China) –
06.05.2008. (Riga) –
08.05.2008. (Hamburg)

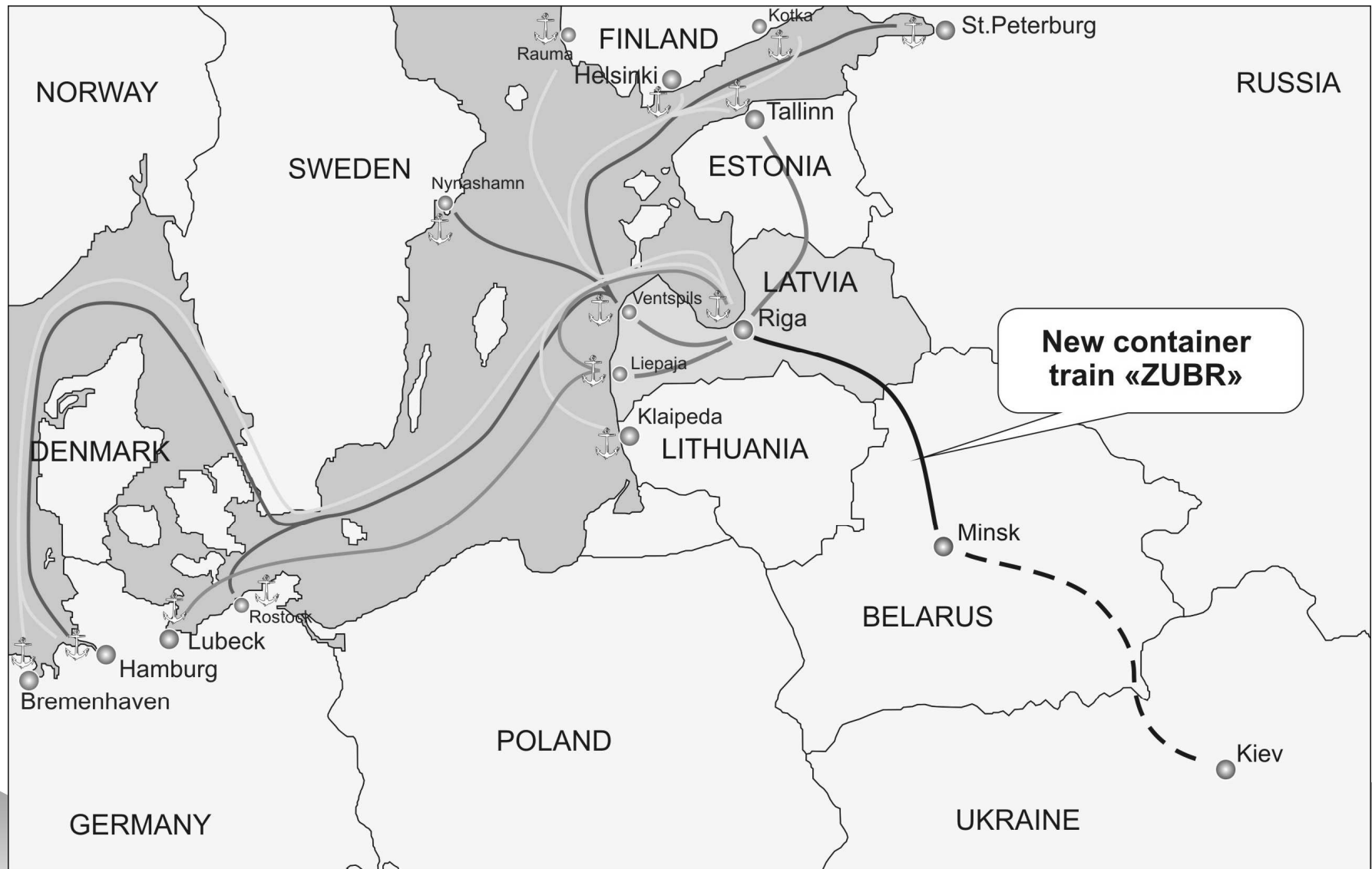
10 days transit time from Dostyk to Riga terminal

14 days transit time from terminal Urumqi to door Central EU

Transport mode index:

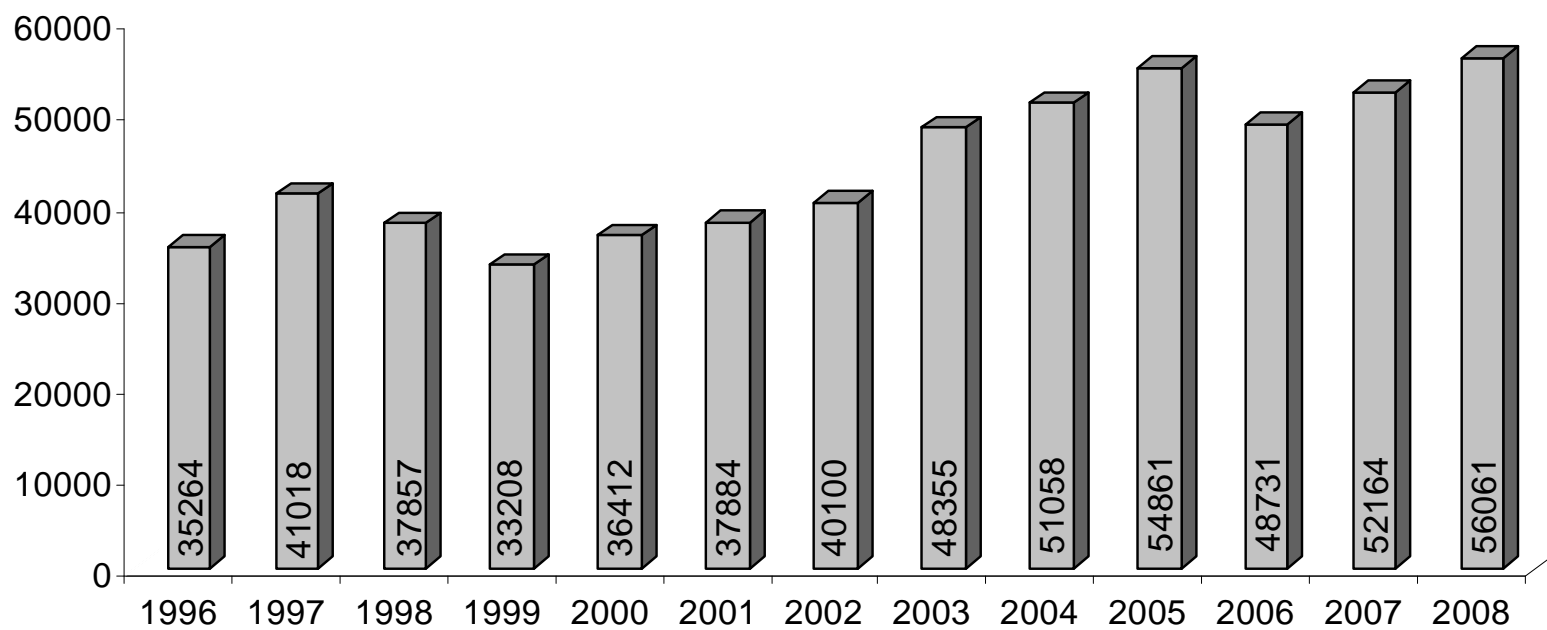
- CN-KZ by rail (switch gauge: Alashankou-Dostik)
- KZ-RU-LV by rail (gauge 1520mm)
- LV-CZ/NL by truck
- - - LV-EU by seafreight

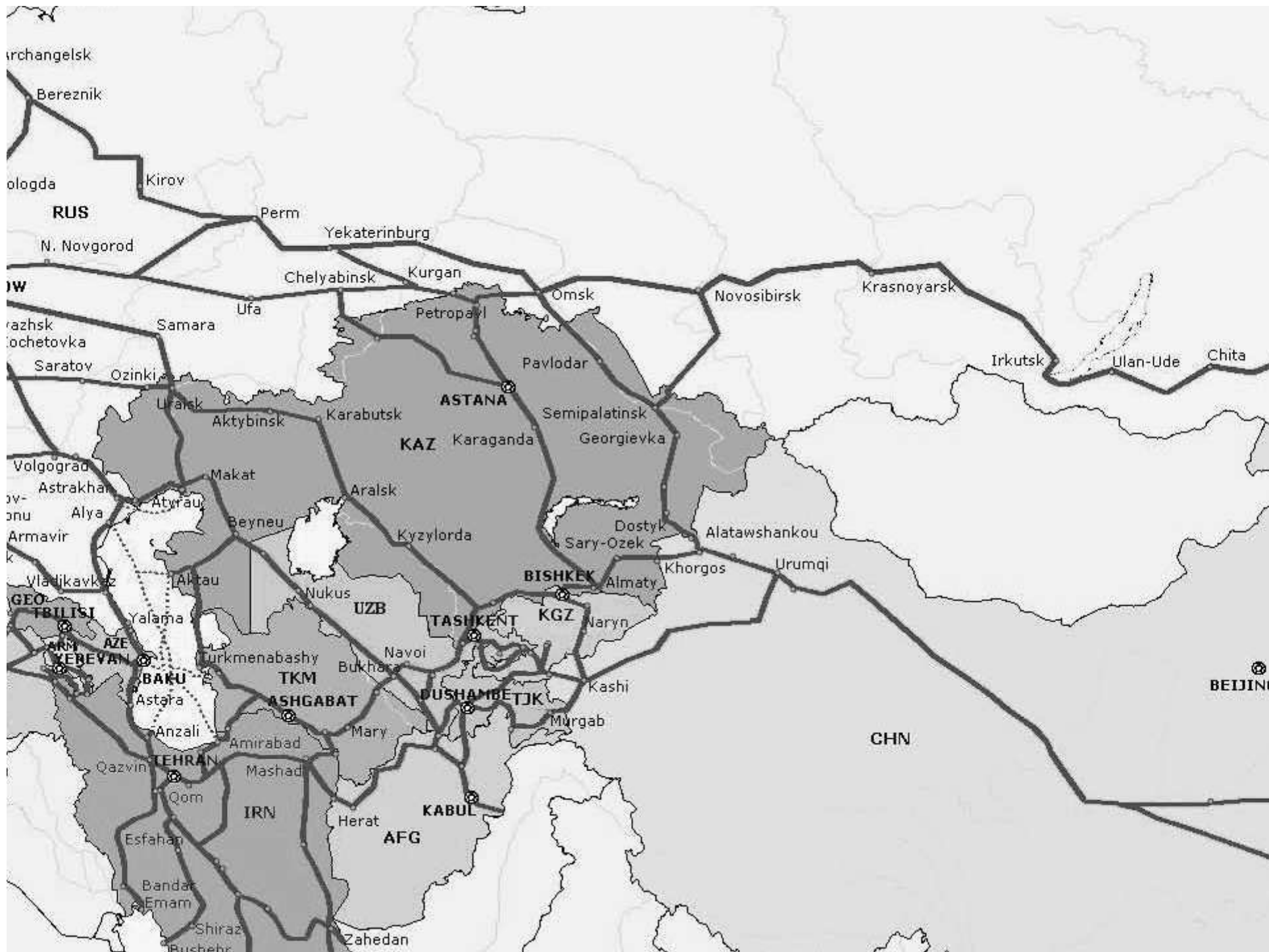
New Block Train: ZUBR

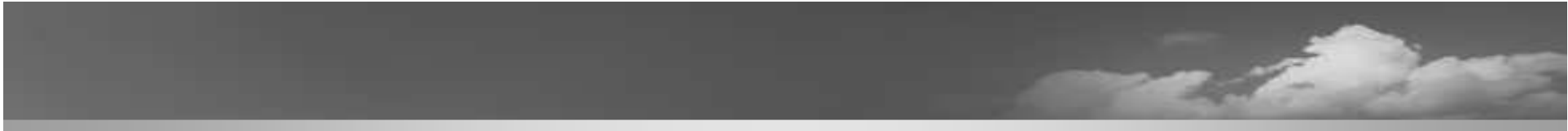


Railway cargo turnover

Railway cargo turnover 1996-2008 thousands of tons







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